



SUB REGIONAL OFFICE FOR WEST AFRICA

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MEETINGS OF THE ECA WEST AFRICA  
SUB REGIONAL OFFICE

24 – 26 June 2008, Niamey, Niger

(Draft Agendas and Work Programmes)

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**I – Meeting of Sub-regional Organisations and Member States**  
**Tuesday 24 June 2008**

*Theme: Strengthening synergies for harnessing regional integration  
resources in West Africa*

**II – Eleventh Session of the Intergovernmental Committee of**  
**Experts (ICE) of West Africa**  
**Wednesday 25 June to Thursday 26 June 2008**

*Theme: Harnessing Africa's resources: What strategies for developing  
the bio-fuel sector in West Africa?*

# PROVISIONAL AGENDA

## Opening Ceremony

### Meeting of Sub-regional Organisations and Member States (Tuesday 24 June 2008)

- Report and overview of main recommendations of the December 2007 Ouagadougou meeting of IGOs
- Presentation of terms of reference of the Forum by the Forum Secretariat
- Major initiatives of IGOs
- Identification and adoption of areas of cooperation between IGOs
- Designation of « task teams » and « task team leaders »: criteria for designation and definition of roles
- Discussion and adoption of the timeframe of Forum's future activities

### Eleventh Session of the Intergovernmental Committee of Experts (ICE) of West Africa (Wednesday 25 June to Thursday 26 June 2008)

- Review of statutory reports
- Statutory issue: consideration of procedures and deliberative organs of ECA SRO-WA
- Briefing Notes
- Discussion forum: the African strategy for wealth creation and retention
- Consideration and adoption of meeting report and recommendations
- Any other business
- Date and venue of next ICE meeting

### Closing ceremony



## PROVISIONAL WORK PROGRAMME

Tuesday 24 June 2008

08h00 – 09h0	<b>Registration of participants</b>
09h00 – 09h30	<b>Opening session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Address by the Director of the ECA Sub Regional Office for West Africa and Representative of the ECA Executive Secretary</li><li>• Address by the Resident Coordinator of the United Nations System in Niger</li><li>• Opening address by the Minister of Economic and Finance of Niger</li></ul>
<i>09h30 – 9h45</i>	<i>Tea/coffee break</i>
9h45 – 10h00	Election of Bureau Adoption of work programme
<b>SEGMENT 1:</b>	<b>MEETING OF SUB-REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS AND MEMBER STATES</b>
10h00 – 11h00	Report and overview of the main recommendations of the December 2007 Ouagadougou meeting of IGOs Presentation of terms of reference of the Forum by the Forum Secretariat
11h00 – 11h30	Presentation of the West Africa Institute for International Research on Regional Integration (Cape Verde/UNESCO)
11h30 – 12h00	Major initiatives of IGOs
<i>12h00 – 14h30</i>	<i>Lunch break</i>
14h30 – 16h30	Major initiatives of IGOs (cont.)
<i>16h30 – 16h45</i>	<i>Tea/coffee break</i>
16h45 – 17h30	Identification and adoption of areas of cooperation between IGOs Designation of « task teams » and « task team leaders »: criteria for designation and role definition Discussion and adoption of the timeframe of Forum's future activities

**SEGMENT 2: ELEVENTH SESSION OF  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE OF  
EXPERTS (ICE) OF WEST AFRICA**

**Wednesday 25 June 2008**

- 09h00 – 9h30** Review of statutory reports  
Report on the implementation of the work programme of  
the ECA Office for West Africa
- 9h30 – 10h15** Review of statutory reports (cont.)  
Report on regional and international initiatives  
implementation, including NEPAD, MDG and other  
programmes in West Africa
- 10h15 – 10h30** ***Tea/coffee break***
- 10h30 – 11h15** Review of statutory reports (cont.)  
Report on economic and social conditions (part one)
- 11h15 – 12h00** Review of statutory reports (cont.)  
Report on economic and social conditions (thematic  
section: What strategies for developing the bio fuel sector  
in West Africa)
- 12h00 – 14h30** ***Lunch break***
- 14h30 – 16h45** Ongoing initiatives for the development of bio fuels in  
West Africa
- 16h45 – 17h00** ***Tea/coffee break***
- 17h00- 17h30:** Statutory issue: consideration of procedures and  
deliberative organs of ECA SRO-WA

**Thursday 26 June 2008**

- 09h00 – 10h15** Briefing Note
- Follow up to Bamako Forum on governance
  - Report of the ECA/AU Conference of Ministers
  - Follow up to the Ouagadougou conference on  
climate change
  - Presentation and discussion of the ECA  
platform on knowledge management
- 10h15 – 10H30** ***Tea/coffee break***
- 10h30 – 12h00** **Public Lecture: the African strategy for wealth  
creation and retention**

<b>12h00 – 14h30</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>
<b>14h30 – 18h00</b>	Free for participants Preparation of draft report and summary of conclusions and recommendations by the Secretariat
<b>18h00 – 19h30</b>	Consideration and adoption of meeting report and recommendations Any other business Date and venue of next ICE meeting Closing ceremony
<b>From 19h39:</b>	<b>Cocktail</b>