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## Preparatory regional workshop on voluntary national and local reviews: strengthening integration and reporting on the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063

Addis Ababa (hybrid), 22 April 2024

## Programme

United Nations Conference Centre Conference Room 3

## Monday, 22 April

Time*	Event
8.30–9 a.m.	Registration
9–9.30 a.m.	Welcome and opening remarks
	<b>Facilitator:</b> Acting Director, Technology, Climate Change and Natural Resources Management Division, Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), Nassim Oulmane
	Opening remarks:
	• Executive Secretary, ECA, Claver Gatete
	• Under-Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Africa, Cristina Duarte
	• Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Li Junhua (recorded message)
	• Director, United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation, Dima Al Khatib (recorded message)
	• Minister [country], [name]

<sup>\*</sup> All times given are Addis Ababa time (UTC+3).



9.30–9.45 a.m.	Overview of the objectives of the preparatory workshop
	Facilitator: Economic Affairs Officer, ECA, John Sloan
	Progress in the first 10-year implementation plan of Agenda 2063: The Africa We Want, of the African Union
	Presenter: [title], African Union Commission, Charles Wangadya
9.45–11.15 a.m.	Voluntary national reviews to redouble efforts towards the Sustainable Development Goals and Agenda 2063
	<b>Facilitator:</b> Officer-in-Charge, Continental Governance Programmes, African Peer Review Mechanism, Sara Tawfik Hamouda
	Panellists:
	Director of Planning, Guinea, Hassane Diallo
	<ul> <li>Deputy Director for SDGs and Agenda 2063, Zimbabwe, Chaturuka Sylocious</li> </ul>
	• Director General of Development and Planning, Congo, Franck Mampouya-M'bamba
	Chief of Development Planning Section, ECA, Bartholomew Armah
	<ul> <li>Regional Policy Specialist on Integration, United Nations Volunteers, Jean de Dieu Sibomana</li> </ul>
11.15–11.30 a.m.	Break
11.30 a.m.–1 p.m.	Data to unlock the relevance and accuracy of voluntary national reviews
	Facilitator: Director, African Centre for Statistics, Oliver Chinganya
	Panellists:
	<ul> <li>Head of the Sustainable Development Goals Secretariat, Uganda, Dr. Albert Byamugisha</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Chairperson, South Sudan Bureau of Statistics, Augustino Mayai</li> </ul>
	• Director of international cooperation and focal point for SDGs and Agenda 2063, Chad, Adoumtogue Rubain
	<ul> <li>Advisor to the Presidency on Planning and Economic Diversification, Equatorial Guinea, Bindang Ndong Okiri</li> </ul>
	• [title], [resident coordinator office/United Nations country team from VNR country], [name]
	<ul> <li>Head of Vital Statistics, Senegal National Agency for Civil Registration, Khadidjatou Thiam</li> </ul>

1–2 p.m.	Lunch
2–2.15 p.m.	Setting the scene for voluntary local reviews
	<ul> <li>Chief, Urbanization and Development Section, ECA, Atkeyelsh Persson</li> <li>Chief, National Strategies and Capacity Building Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Amson Sibanda</li> </ul>
2.15–3.30 p.m.	From reporting to action: how action-oriented voluntary local reviews inform policies that further the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals
	<b>Moderator:</b> Coordinator, SDG Localization Team, Martino Miraglia, UN-Habitat
	Panellists:
	VLR Development Expert, Nakuru City, George Wasonga
	Head, UN-Habitat Tunisia, Aida Robbana
	Project Coordinator of Mwanza - Tampere Strengthening Cooperation Project, Mwanza City Council Amin Abdallah
	• Senior Special Adviser to the President on Industrialization, African Development Bank, Oyebanji Oyelaran-Oyeyinka
	• Executive Director, Youth Advocates Ghana, Emmanuel Ametepey
3.30–4.45 p.m.	Local-level reporting to accelerate implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals: how voluntary local reviews contribute to voluntary national reviews
	<b>Moderator:</b> Chief, National Strategies and Capacity Building Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Amson Sibanda
	Panellists:
	• Manager, Projects, Performance Monitoring and Evaluation Unit, eThekwini Metropolitan Municipality, South Africa, Nevana Srikissoon
	• Unit Manager, Waste Management, Rustenburg Local Municipality, South Africa, Julian Nkoana
	• Senior Planning Analyst, National Development Planning Commission, Ghana, Patience Ampomah
	• Regional Representative and Representative to the African Union, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Marcel Akpovo
	• Economics Advisor, United Nations Development Programme, South Africa Country Office, Rogers Dhilwayo

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4.45–5 p.m.	Looking ahead to the Summit of the Future and closing
	Facilitator: Economic Affairs Officer, ECA, John Sloan
	<ul> <li>Director, Regional Office for Africa, UN-Habitat, Oumar Sylla</li> </ul>
	Officer-in-Charge, Continental Governance Programmes, African Peer Review Mechanism, Sara Tawfik Hamouda
	• Director, Policy, Monitoring and Advocacy, Office of the Special Adviser on Africa, Jean-Paul Adam
5–5.15 p.m.	Break
5.15–6.45 p.m.	Stakeholders' town hall meeting: regional inputs to the Summit of the Future
	<b>Moderators:</b> Senior Director for Sustainable Development Initiatives, United Nations Foundation, Julie Kofoed; and Director, African Institute for Economic Development and Planning, Karima Bounemra Ben Soltane
	Participating experts:
	• [title], [VNR Country], [name]
	• Sustainable Development Officer, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Tonya Vaturi
	• Representatives of Germany and Namibia, co-facilitators of the intergovernmental preparatory process of the Summit of the Future (to be confirmed)
	• Executive Director, SDGs Kenya Forum, Florence Syevuo
	• UN Foundation Next Generation Fellow, Anita Dywaba
	• Co-Chair, Africa Regional Mechanism for Major Groups and Other Stakeholders, Kofi Kankam

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