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Planning and Economic Development
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Tangier, Morocco (hybrid), 2 and 3 April 2026

Item 2 of the provisional agenda*
**Election of the Bureau and adoption of the agenda and
programme of work**

Draft programme of work

Thursday, 2 April

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| 7.30–9 a.m. ¹ | Breakfast meeting between ministers of finance and the Deputy Executive Secretary (Programme) and Chief Economist, Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), Hanan Morsy |
| 9.30–10.30 a.m. | Opening of the ministerial segment (agenda item 1) National anthem Master of Ceremonies: [to be determined] Remarks by the Chair of the outgoing Bureau, Minister of Economy and Finance, Morocco, Nadia Fettah Remarks by the Chairperson of the African Union Commission, Mahamoud Ali Youssouf Remarks by the Director General of the World Health Organization, Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus Remarks by the Executive Secretary of ECA, Claver Gatete Remarks by the President of the General Assembly, Annalena Baerbock Official address by the Head of Government of Morocco, Aziz Akhannouch |
| 10.30–11 a.m. | Group photo and coffee break |
| 11–11.15 a.m. | Election of the Bureau and adoption of the agenda and programme of work (agenda item 2) |

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¹ All times are West Africa Time (UTC +1).



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| 11.15 a.m.–1.30 p.m. | Dialogue on the theme of the fifty-eighth session of the Economic Commission for Africa (agenda item 3) |
| | Chair: Chair of the Bureau |
| | Overview of current global economic trends, related challenges and their implications for Africa |
| | Deputy Executive Secretary (Programme) and Chief Economist, ECA, Hanan Morsy |
| | Keynote address: 2026 Adebayo Adedeji Memorial Lecture |
| | [speaker to be determined] |
| 1.30–3 p.m. | Lunch break |
| 3–3.30 p.m. | Dialogue on the theme of the fifty-eighth session of the Economic Commission for Africa (agenda item 3) (<i>continued</i>) |
| | Chair: Chair of the Bureau |
| | Launch of the 2026 edition of the Economic Report on Africa |
| | Presenter: Director, Macroeconomic Policy, Finance and Governance Division, ECA, Stephen Karingi |
| | High-level discussion |
| 3.30–5 p.m. | High-level round-table discussions (agenda item 4) |
| | Round table 1: leveraging technology for economic growth and transformation |
| | Chair: [to be determined] |
| | Panellists: |
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| 5–5.30 p.m. | Coffee break |
| 5.30–6 p.m. | Press conference |
| 7 p.m. | Reception [to be confirmed] |

Friday, 3 April

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| 9–10.30 a.m. | High-level round-table discussions (agenda item 4) (<i>continued</i>) |
| | Round table 2: unleashing the Africa of the future: advancing the development of digital public infrastructure, data centres and sovereignty |
| | Chair: [to be determined] |
| | Panellists: |
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| 10.30 a.m.–noon | Launch of the Sustainable Health Financing Initiative (agenda item 5) |
| | Chair: Chair of the Bureau |
| | Presenter: Chief of Staff, ECA, Aboubakri Diaw |
| Noon–12.15 p.m. | Coffee break |
| 12.15–2.15 p.m. | Consideration of recommendations and adoption of resolutions (agenda item 6) |
| | Chair: Chair of the Bureau |
| 2.15–3.15 p.m. | Lunch break |
| 3.15–4.45 p.m. | Consideration and adoption of the ministerial statement (agenda item 7) |
| | Chair: Chair of the Bureau |
| 4.45–5 p.m. | Other matters (agenda item 8) |
| | Chair: Chair of the Bureau |
| 5–5.15 p.m. | Closing of the ministerial segment and the fifty-eighth session of the Economic Commission for Africa (agenda item 9) |
| | Chair: Chair of the Bureau |
| | Statements: |
| | • Executive Secretary, ECA, Claver Gatete • Chair of the Bureau |
| 5.30 p.m. | Cocktail reception [to be confirmed] |