

Debt Statistics for Effective Debt Restructuring

Workshop

United Nations Economic Commission for Africa

Macroeconomic and Governance Division

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Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (Hybrid)

Day 1: October 3, 2023		
09.00 – 09.45	Opening remarks and lecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Director Macroeconomic and Governance Division Dr. Adam Elhiraika – 10 minutes• Deputy Executive Secretary – Dr. Hanan Morsy – 10 minutes• Mauritius/Seychelles Resident Coordinator - Ms. Lisa Singh – 10 minutes• High level Ethiopian Delegate (tbc) – 15 minutes
09.45 – 10.30	Group photo and tea break	
Session I: Transparency and fiscal discipline in debt statistics		
10.30 – 11.20	Principles of official statistics	<p>Dr. Jairo Arrow, Member, Advisory Board on Ethics, International Statistical Institute (Africa Representative)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation 25 minutes• Q&A and Discussion 25 minutes
11.20 - 12.10	Transparent and accountable debt data management, fiscal discipline to safeguard the road map for meeting the objectives of the SDGs by 2030.	<p>Dr. Joseph Thullah, Assistant Director, Ministry of Finance, Sierra Leone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation 25 minutes• Q&A and Discussion 25 minutes
12.10 – 12.45	Mobilizing external financial resources beyond COVID-19 for greener, more equal and sustainable development in selected vulnerable SIDS in Africa and Latin America and the Caribbean	<p>Daniela Magalhães Prates Senior Economic Affairs Officer, UNCTAD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation 20 minutes• Q&A and Discussion 25 minutes
12.35 – 13.35	Lunch	
Session II: Debt statistics compilation		

13.45 – 15.15	Debt statistics methodologies and processes	<p>Andrew Kitili, Deputy Division Chief Government Finance Division Statistics Department, International Monetary Fund</p> <p>Rasiel Vellos, Senior Economist, World Bank Program Manager and Senior Economist Debt and Financial Statistics, World Bank</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations (use all time)
15.15 – 15.45	Tea break	
15.45 – 16.45	Discussion on debt statistics methodologies and processes	All participants
16.45 – 17.00	Closing remarks	ECA
Day 2: October 4, 2023		
09.00 – 09.10	Recap of Day 1	ECA
Session III: African debt and debt restructuring		
09.10 – 10.25	<p>Africa debt analysis and bond premiums</p> <p>Debt restructuring options</p> <p>From Debt to Development: What are Ethiopia's Choices?</p>	<p>Sidzanbnoma Nadia Denise Ouedraogo, Economic Affairs Officer, ECA</p> <p>Hopestone Kayiska Chavula, Economic Affairs Officer, ECA</p> <p>Ali Zafar, United Nations Development Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations 60 minutes (20 minutes per presenter) • Q&A and Discussion 50 minutes
10.25 – 10.55	Tea	
10.55 – 11.35	Q&A and Discussion 40 minutes from previous presentations	

11.35 – 13.20	Common Framework successes– Country discussions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zambia • Chad 	TBD, Ministry of Finance Zambia Mr. Abdelhamid NASSOUR CHERIF, Conseiller du SG/ Ministère des finances du Budget et des Comptes Publics, Ministère des Finances et du Budget /Ndjamena-Tchad <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations 60 minutes (30 minutes per presenter) • Q&A and Discussion 45 minutes
13.20 – 14.20	Lunch	
14.20 – 15.10	African Debt Monitoring Mechanism	African Union & Ms. Mmakamma Ekeruche, FES AU Cooperation Office <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation 25 minutes • Q&A and Discussion 25 minutes
15.10 -15.20	Remarks by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	Mr. Adil Ababou, Senior Program Officer, Development Policy and Finance, Global Policy & Advocacy, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
15.20 – 15.50	Tea	
15.50 – 16.45	Debt Sustainability Analysis (DSA) processes	Mr. Christopher Dielmann, International Monetary Fund Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation 30 minutes • Q&A and Discussion 25 minutes
16.45 – 17.00	Closing remarks	ECA
Day 3: October 5, 2023		
09.00 – 09.10	Recap of day 1	ECA
09.10 – 09.20	Opening remarks	• RCO – TBC – 10 minutes
Session III (continues): African debt and debt restructuring		
09.20 – 10.20	United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAPs) “augmented” approach to analyse public debt sustainability in the long term	Vatcharin Sirimaneetham, Chief of Section - Economic Affairs, ESCAP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation 25 minutes • Q&A and Discussion 30 minutes
10.15 – 10.45	Tea	

10.45 – 12.00	Country debt restructuring processes with incorporating debt statistics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ethiopia - Zambia - Ghana - Djibouti - Chad 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations 1h15 - 15 minutes per country • Q&A and Discussion 35 minutes
12.00 – 12.35	Discussion on country cases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All participants
Session IV: ECA advisory services, advocacy and knowledge products related to debt and capital market development		
12.35 – 13.20	Proposed changes to Special Drawing Rights Debt Sustainability Coalition Capital Market Development in Africa	<p>Chaoyi Hu, Associate Economic Affairs Officer, ECA</p> <p>Ling Lu, Associate Economic Affairs Officer, ECA</p> <p>Jean-Marc Kilolo, Economic Affairs Officer, ECA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations 45 minutes - 15 minutes per presenter • Q&A and Discussion 30 minutes
13.20 – 14.20	Lunch	
14.20 – 14.50	Discussion on ECA research/advisory services/support/advocacy presentations	
14.50 – 15.15	Role of transaction advisory services	Open discussion
15.15 – 15.40	Transaction advisory partnership for Africa	
15.40 – 16.00	Close of workshop	ECA
16.00	Tea	