



Launch of the Agreement Establishing the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) in Amharic

13 December 2022

UN Conference Centre
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

15:00 to 16:00 EAT

15:00 – 15:05	Welcoming Remarks by Laura Paez, Chief of Market Institutions Section, Regional Integration and Trade Division, ECA
15:05 – 15:15	Opening Remarks by Mussie Mindaye, Director General, Trade Relation and Negotiation, Ministry of Trade and Regional Integration of Ethiopia
15:15 – 15:20	Remarks by EU Representative
15:20 – 15:25	Remarks by Bethlehem Arega Asmamaw, Senior Legal Officer, AfCFTA Secretariat Liaison Office
15:25 – 15:35	Implications of the translation of the AfCFTA Agreement into Amharic by Martha Belete, Assistant professor and associate Dean for research at College of Law and governance studies, Addis Ababa University
15:35 – 15:45	AfCFTA and Ethiopian Private sector: Engineer Melaku Ezezew, President of the Ethiopian Chamber of Commerce and Sectoral Associations (ECCSA)
15:45 – 15:55	Questions and Answers
15:55 – 16:00	Launch and closing by Laura Paez, Chief of Market Institutions Section, Regional Integration and Trade Division, ECA