

PROGRAMME
(as of 11 July 2022)

Scaling up innovative financing and leveraging partnerships for the Africa We Want

Tuesday, 12 July 2022, 8:30 am to 11:30 am (EST)
Virtual Meeting

Africa Day at the 2022 High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF)

SESSION I: OPENING SESSION

MODERATOR: **Mr. Stephen Karingi**, Director, Regional Integration and Trade Division,
United Nations Economic Commission for Africa

Welcoming Remarks

8:30 - 8:35 Remarks by **Ms. Cristina Duarte**, Under-Secretary-General and Special
Adviser of the United Nations Secretary-General on Africa

8:35 - 8:40 Remarks by **Ms. Hanan Morsy**, Deputy Executive Secretary of the United
Nations Economic Commission for Africa

8:40 - 8:45 Remarks by **Ms. Ahunna Eziakonwa**, Director of the United Nations
Development Programme Regional Bureau for Africa

Setting the Stage

8:45 - 8:50 Ministerial statement by **H.E. Ms. Ester Anna Liisa Nghipondoka**, Minister
of Education, Arts and Culture, Government of Namibia, and Vice-Chair of
the Bureau of the 8th Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development
(ARFSD)

8:50 - 8:55 Remarks by **H.E. Mr. Collen V. Kelapile**, Ambassador and Permanent
Representative of Botswana to the United Nations and President of the
Economic and Social Council at its 2022 Session

8:55 - 9:00 Remarks by a youth representative, **Ms. Olumide Gbadebo**, Chief Executive
Officer, Adunni Organics

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

9:00 - 9:10 Keynote Address by **H.E. Mr. Albert Muchanga**, Commissioner for Economic Development, Trade, Industry and Mining, African Union Commission

SESSION II: BEST PRACTICES AND EXPERIENCE SHARING IN BUILDING FORWARD BETTER TOWARDS THE AFRICA WE WANT

Interactive exchange and sharing of experiences and strategies by African Member State representatives

9:10 - 10:10 Statements by Member States, heads of delegations and other interventions from the floor

- **H.E. Mr. Abdoulaye Diop**, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Mali
- **H.E. Mr. Augustus J. Flomo**, Deputy Minister for Economic Management, Agenda 2030 Policy Lead, Ministry of Finance and Development Planning, Liberia
- **H.E. Ms. Semereta Sewasew**, State Minister of Finance for Economic Cooperation, Ethiopia
- **H.E. Mr. Omar Hilale**, Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations, Morocco, on behalf of the African Group
- **H.E. Ms. Sofia Tesfamariam**, Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations, Eritrea
- **Mr. Abdou-Razak Ahmed Idriss**, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Economy and Finance, Djibouti
- **Mr. Sello Justice Tšukulu**, Principal Secretary, Ministry of Development Planning, Lesotho
- **Dr. Kodjo Mensah-Abrampa**, Director General, National Development Planning Commission, Ghana
- **Dr. Thomas Munthali**, Director General, National Planning Commission, Malawi

10:10 - 10:25 **Interactive Q&A**

INTERMISSION

10:25 - 10:30 **Video showcasing youth and SDGs in Africa by ECA Young Economists Network**

SESSION III: EXPERT PANEL AND INTERACTIVE SEGMENT

MODERATOR: **Mr. Utku Teksoz**, Programme Management Officer, Intergovernmental Support Team, United Nations Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA)

10:30 - 11:15 **Expert Panel on Scaling up Innovative Finance and Domestic Resource Mobilization**

The expert panel will be constituted by

- **Ms. Awa Maty Basse**, Chief, Political Economy, Coordination and Monitoring Unit, Ministry of Economy, Planning and Cooperation, Republic of Senegal
- **Dr. Denis Foretia**, Executive Chairman, Nkafu Policy Institute; OSAA Think Tank Network – Cluster 5 (Industrialization, Demographic Dividend and the AfCFTA)
- **Dr. Frannie Léautier**, Chief Executive Officer, Southbridge Group
- **Dr. Abebe Shimeles**, Director of Research, African Economic Research Consortium (AERC); OSAA Think Tank Network – Cluster 1 (Financing for Development)
- **Ms. Joan Manda**, Climate Change and Innovative Finance Specialist, SDG Finance Hub

11:15 - 11:25 **Interactive Q&A**

SESSION IV: CLOSING REMARKS AND WAY FORWARD

11:25 - 11:30 Remarks by **H.E. Ms. Fatima Kyari Mohammed**, Ambassador and Permanent Observer of the African Union to the United Nations