
PROVISIONAL WORK PROGRAMME

24 – 25 November 2020

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**Work Programme of the ICSOE**

*Time in this programme is GMT+2*

### DAY 1 - Tuesday, 24 November 2020 - COVID impact, Lessons Learnt, Recovery Strategies and Building Back Better

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| 9:00 – 9:20| **Welcoming remarks**<br>  - Hon. Osman Saleh, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the State of Eritrea and Chair of the 23rd ICSOE Bureau  
  - Vera Songwe, Executive Secretary of UN Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) and UN Under Secretary-General  
  - Guest of Honor- Hon. Immaculee Ndabaneze, Minister of Commerce, Transport, Industry and Tourism – Burundi |
| 9:20– 09:30| **Constitution of the Bureau, Review and Adoption of the Agenda** – By Emelang Leateane, Social Affairs Officer, ECA  
  *In this session, the new Bureau of the ICSOE will be constituted. The Bureau will then guide participants on the review and adoption of the agenda.*|
| 09:30 – 10:00| **Presentation: Macroeconomic and Social Overview of Eastern Africa** –by Mama Keita, Director of ECA in Eastern Africa |
| 10:00-12:00| **High-level session – Member States and Regional institutions**  
  *Countries response to Covid-19: Lessons learnt for recovery and strategies for building back economies.*<br>  **Moderator:**
  - 5 minutes’ intervention for each speaker
    - Hon. Ilyas Moussa Dawaleh, Minister of Economy and Finance- Djibouti
    - H.E. Libérat Mfumukeko, Secretary General of the East African Community (EAC).
    - Nnenna Nwabufo, Acting Director General - African Development Bank (AfDB) Group
    - Velayoudom Marimoutou, Secrétaire Général de la Commission de l’océan Indien (IOC) |
| 12:00-13:00| Lunch Break |
**Panel Discussion with the Private Sector**

*Strategies for recovery and growth in the aftermath of COVID-19*

Moderator: Ms Novella Nikwigize

- 5 minutes intervention for each speaker
  - Carole Karuga, CEO - Kenya Private Sector Alliance
  - Denis Nshimirimana, Secretary General, Burundi Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (CFCIB)
  - Yesuf Ademnur, Secretary General, Ethiopian Chamber of Commerce and Sectoral Associations (ECCSA) - Ethiopia
  - Mohamoud Abdi Ali (Gabaire), President Somalia Chamber of Commerce and Industry (SCCI) – Somalia
  - Caesar Riko, Director, South Sudan Chamber of Commerce, Industry & Agriculture (SSCCIA) - South Sudan

**14:30-15:00**

*Presentations of SDGs related matters*

- Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development (ARFSD) – By UNECA (15 min)
- Integrated Planning and Reporting Tool (IPRT) – By UNECA (15 min)

**15:00-15:30**

*Q & A Session and wrap up of day 1*
DAY 2  Wednesday, 25 November 2020 - African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)

09:00–09:45  Presentations: Opportunities and Profitability of AfCFTA
- Estimated impacts of the AfCFTA in Eastern Africa – By Mama Keita, Director of ECA in Eastern Africa (10 min)
- Findings of Trade services Report – Andrew Mold, Chief, Regional Integration and AfCFTA Cluster ECA Office for Eastern Africa (10 min)
- African Medical Supplies Platform (AMSP) – By UNECA (10 min)
- AfCFTA and implications for businesses in Eastern Africa – By Komi Tsowou, Economic Affairs Officer, UNCTAD (10 min)

09:45–11:30  Panel Discussion – Readiness for AfCFTA implementation
5-7 minutes intervention for each speaker
- Hon. Soraya Hakuziyaremye, Minister of Trade and Industry – Rwanda
- Hon Jean Lucien Busa Tongba, State Minister of External Trade – DRC
- Prudence Sebahizi, Chief Technical Advisor on AfCFTA - African Union Commission (AUC)
- Justus O. Nyarandi, Executive Secretary, Northern Corridor Transit and Transport Coordination Authority (NC-TTCA)
- Allen Asiimwe, Chief Technical Officer – Trademark East Africa
- East Africa Business Council - TBD

11:30–12:00  Questions and Answers

12:00 - 13:00  Lunch Break

13:00 - 13:30  Presentation of the 2020 annual report and programme of work of ECA, Office for Eastern Africa, By Rachael Nsubuga, Associate Economic Affairs Officer

13:30–14:00  Review and Adoption of the 24th ICSOE Communiqué

14:00 - 14:30  2021 ICSOE meeting: Theme and venue

14:30–14:45  Official Closing