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Item 3(b) of the provisional agenda
Organizational matters: adoption of the agenda and programme of work

Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the session.
2. High-level panel on transformative action and investment to better build forward from the COVID-19 crisis towards a resilient and green Africa to achieve the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063.
3. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Election of the Bureau;
 - (b) Adoption of the agenda and programme of work.
4. Progress report on implementation of the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063 and tackling the COVID-19 crisis at the regional and subregional levels.
5. Plenary round-table panels on strengthening implementation of the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063 at the national and subnational levels: voluntary national and local reviews of progress made, tools, approaches, lessons learned and the way forward to accelerate implementation:
 - (a) Voluntary national reviews and responses to the COVID-19 crisis: progress, tools, approaches, lessons learned and the way forward to accelerate implementation;
 - (b) Voluntary local reviews and responding to the COVID-19 crisis.
6. Plenary round-table panel on meeting data and statistics needs for evidence-based, inclusive and sustainable recovery from the COVID-19 crisis and to achieve the goals of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development in Africa.
7. Parallel meetings for an in-depth review of progress made and peer learning on the subthemes of the Regional Forum:
 - (a) Parallel meeting on the sub-theme of no poverty;
 - (b) Parallel meeting on the sub-theme of zero hunger;
 - (c) Parallel meeting on the sub-theme of good health and well-being;
 - (d) Parallel meeting on the sub-theme of decent work and economic growth;
 - (e) Parallel meeting on the sub-theme of reduced inequalities;
 - (f) Parallel meeting on the sub-theme of responsible consumption and production;



- (g) Parallel meeting on the sub-theme of climate action;
 - (h) Parallel meeting on the sub-theme of peace, justice and strong institutions;
 - (i) Parallel meeting on the sub-theme of partnerships.
8. Plenary round-table panel on leveraging science, technology, innovation and digital transformation for a resilient and sustainable recovery from the COVID-19 crisis and to achieve the goals of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development in Africa.
 9. Presentations and discussions on sustainable recovery from the COVID-19 crisis and implementation of the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063:
 - (a) Perspectives of major groups and other stakeholders;
 - (b) Support delivery modalities of the United Nations development system.
 10. Consideration and adoption of key messages.
 11. Theme, dates and venue of the eighth session of the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development.
 12. Other matters.
 13. Closing of the session.
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