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Preparatory and capacity development workshop for major groups and other stakeholders in the Africa region for the seventh session of the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development

Brazzaville (online), 26-27 February 2021

Programme of work

Time is indicated in local time in Brazzaville (GMT+1).

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DAY ONE	
Time	Session
1.30–2.00 p.m.	Registration
2.00–2.30 p.m.	<p>Opening of the workshop</p> <p>Facilitator: Thokozile Ruzvidzo, Director, Gender, Poverty and Social Development Policy Division, ECA</p> <p>Statements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Djamel Bouras, Acting President of the Pan-African Parliament (tbc) • Vera Songwe, USG, Executive Secretary, ECA (tbc) • Kofi Kankam, Co-Chair, Africa Regional Mechanism for Major Groups and other Stakeholders • Natalia Kanem, USG, Executive Director, United Nations Population Fund (tbc)
2.35–3.35 p.m.	<p>Impact of COVID-19 on the implementation in Africa of the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063 and the role of major groups in ensuring a just recovery</p> <p>Chair: Edith Madela-Mntla, Senior Lecturer and Head of Community Engagement, Department of Family Medicine, University of Pretoria</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paul Okumu, Head of Secretariat, Africa Platform (tbc) • Lucy Mulenkei, Executive Director, Indigenous Information Networks, Founder Indigenous Women and Biodiversity Network



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Omolara Balogun, Head of Policy Influencing and Advocacy, West Africa Civil Society Institute • Mwangi Waituru, Policy and Advocacy Advisor and VSO Representative to the African Union <p>General discussion</p>
3.35–3.50 p.m.	Break
3.50 –4.50 p.m.	<p>The role of technology and innovation in the recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic in Africa</p> <p>Chair: Martin Manuhwa, Former President of the Federation of African Engineer Organisations</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ambrose Chikukwa, Bentley Inc • Carlien Bou-Chedid, President of the Federation of African Engineer Organisations • Daniel Nyanganyura, Regional Director, International Science Council Regional Office for Africa • Len Kalane, Chairman of MAICO Group and PiE Digital <p>General discussion</p>
4.55 –5.55 p.m.	<p>The role and place of major groups and other stakeholders in the implementation and monitoring of the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063</p> <p>Chair: Stefano Prato, Managing Director, Society for International Development and Steering Group Co-Chair, Major Groups and other Stakeholders High Level Political Forum Coordination Mechanism</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Martin Manuhwa, Former President of the Federation of African Engineering Organisations • George Osei-Bimpeh, Co-Chair, Ghana Civil Society Organizations Platform on Sustainable Development Goals • Stephen Chacha, Executive Director of Africa Philanthropic Foundation, and Co-Convener of Tanzania Sustainable Development Platform • Linda Tatenda Mtare, Youth Advocate from VSO Zimbabwe, Youth Engagement Action Team (YEAT) <p>General discussion</p>
DAY TWO	
1.30–2.00 p.m.	Registration
2.00–3.00 p.m.	<p>The role of major groups and other stakeholders in drafting voluntary national and local review shadow reports and in contributing to official voluntary national and local reviews</p> <p>Chair: George Osei-Bimpeh, Co-Chair, Ghana Civil Society Organizations Platform on Sustainable Development Goals</p> <p>Presenters:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oliver Henman, Global Coordinator, Action for Sustainable Development • Florence Syevuo, Country Coordinator, SDG Kenya Forum • Rose Pélagie MASSO, Deputy National Coordinator, Cameroun Écologie, Cameroon <p>Q&A session</p>
3.05–4.35 p.m.	<p>Discussion in breakout groups on the views and key messages of the major groups and other stakeholders on the sub-themes of the seventh session of the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development</p> <p>Sub-themes:</p> <p>(a) People: Goals 1 (No poverty), 2 (Zero hunger), 3 (Good health and well-being), 4 (Quality education) and 5 (Gender equality)</p> <p>Co-chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lilei Chow, Senior Policy and Advocacy Adviser, Save the Children • Lucy Mulenkei, Executive Director, Indigenous Information Network and Founder, Indigenous Women’s Biodiversity Network <p>(b) Prosperity: Goals 8 (Decent work and economic growth) and 10 (Reduced inequalities)</p> <p>Co-chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alex Nkosi, Policy Analyst, African Regional Organisation of the International Trade Union Confederation • Kawsu Sillah, African Youth Commission <p>(c) Planet: Goals 12 (Responsible consumption and production) and 13 (Climate action)</p> <p>Co-chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nachi Majoe, Senior Professional Officer: Climate Change, Energy and Resilience and Manager: Strategic Alliances at ICLEI Africa • Cécile Bibiane Ndjebet, Founder and President, African Women’s Network for Community Management of Forests (REFACOF), Cameroon (tbc) <p>(d) Peace: Goal 16 (Peace, justice and strong institutions)</p> <p>Co-chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hagar Monsif, African Affairs and SDGs Unit Manager, Maat for Peace, Development and Human Right • Roseline Kihumba, International and Regional Policies Coordinator Head, Africa Regional Office, HelpAge International <p>(e) Partnerships: Goal 17 (Partnerships for the Goals)</p> <p>Co-chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tcharbuaahbokengo NFINN, Founder of Federation of Environmental and Ecological Diversity for Agricultural Revampment and Human Rights (FEEDAR & HR)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Martin Manuhwa, Former President of the Federation of African Engineering Organisations • Moyosoluwa Oladayo, VSO Youth Volunteer
4.35–4.50 p.m.	Break
4.50–5.30 p.m.	<p>Closing of the workshop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drafting of key messages of the major groups and other stakeholders • Closing remarks: Roseline Kihumba, International and Regional Policies Coordinator Head, Africa Regional Office, HelpAge International

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