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## African Peer Review Panel Retreat with Strategic Partners

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**Theme: “Strengthening the Partnership for Transforming Africa’s Governance”**

OPENING SESSION	
09:00-09:30	<p><b>Introduction:</b> Dr. Adeyemi Dipeolu, Director of Capacity Development Division, UNECA</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome Remarks by Dr. Abdalla Hamdok, <i>Deputy Executive Secretary of UNECA</i></li> <li>Statement by Dr. Ibrahim Assane Mayaki, <i>Interim Chief Executive Officer, APRM Secretariat</i></li> <li>Statement by Dr. Ozonnia Ojielo, <i>Cluster Director/Regional Cluster Leader, Governance and Peacebuilding in Africa, RSC- UNDP</i></li> <li>Statement by Mr. Jacob Mukete, <i>OIC, Governance, Economic &amp; Financial Management Department, African Development Bank</i></li> <li>Official Opening by Ambassador Fatuma Ndangiza, <i>Chairperson of APR Panel of Eminent Persons</i></li> </ol>
	<p><b>Session 1: Enhancing the Effectiveness of the APRM</b></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> Ambassador Ashraf Rashed, <i>Vice-Chairperson of the APR Panel of Eminent Persons</i></p> <p><b>Lead Presentation:</b> Dr. Mustapha Mekideche, <i>Member of the APR Panel of Eminent Persons</i></p> <p><u>Core Issues:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accelerating APRM accession and review processes (Based on the approved 2015 APRM Work Plan)</li> <li>Challenges &amp; Opportunities for NPOA implementation</li> <li>Overall Assessment of the impact of the Peer Review process</li> </ol> <p>Discussant: <b>Dr. Abdalla Hamdok</b>, <i>Deputy Executive Secretary of UNECA</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
10:30-11:00	Tea / Coffee Break
	<b>Session 2: Institutional Development of the APRM Secretariat</b>

11:00 -12:00	<p><b>Chair:</b> Prof. Mahamoud Youssef Khayal, <i>Member of the APR Panel of Eminent Persons</i></p> <p><b>Lead Presentation by Dr. Ibrahim Mayaki, Interim CEO, APRM Secretariat</b></p> <p><u>Core Issues:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Institutionalizing the APRM Knowledge Management System</li> <li>b) Re-branding the APRM corporate identity and image</li> <li>c) Integration of APRM into AU structures and processes</li> </ul> <p>Discussant: Dr. Ozonnia Ojielo, <i>Cluster Director/Regional Cluster Leader, RSC- UNDP</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
<b>Session 3: Strengthening Partnerships and Resource Mobilization for APRM Delivery</b>	
12:00-13:00	<p><b>Chair:</b> Mr. Joseph Tsang Mang Kin, <i>Member of the APR Panel of Eminent Persons</i></p> <p><b>Lead Presentations:</b></p> <p><b>Prof. Al-Amin Abu Manga Mohamed, Member- of the APR Panel of Eminent Persons</b>  <b>Dr. Ozonnia Ojielo, Cluster Director/Regional Cluster Leader, RSC- UNDP</b>  <b>Dr. Adeyemi Dipeolu, Director, Capacity Development Division, UNECA</b>  <b>Mr. Jacob Mukete, Officer in charge, Governance, Economic and Financial Management Department African Development Bank</b></p> <p><u>Core Issues:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Scaling up &amp; institutionalizing the Support of Strategic Partners to the APRM (Legal instruments of cooperation with Strategic Partners)</li> <li>b) APRM Resource Mobilisation Strategy</li> <li>c) Support of the Strategic Partners' Support for the activities in the 2015 APRM Work Plan</li> <li>d) Improvement methods in operationalizing the APRM Trust Fund managed by UNDP</li> </ul> <p>Discussion</p>
13:00-14:00	Lunch Break
<b>Session 4: Future Direction &amp; Roadmap for Implementation</b>	
14:00-15:00	<p><b>Chair:</b> Ambassador Fatuma Ndangiza, <i>Chairperson of the APR Panel</i></p> <p><b>Discussion: "Way Forward in Strengthening Partnerships for the consolidation of APRM Results"</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- APRM monitoring role for Post-2015 Development Agenda</li> <li>- Perspectives of the Strategic Partners</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Outcomes of the Retreat and Plan of Action</b> <i>by APRM Secretariat</i></p>
15:00-15:30	<b>CLOSING SESSION</b>
	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Adeyemi Dipeolu, <i>Director, Capacity Development Division, UNECA</i></p> <p><b>Closing Interventions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1- Dr. Abdalla Hamdok, <i>Deputy Executive Secretary, UNECA</i></li> <li>2- Representatives of UNDP and African Development Bank</li> </ul> <p>Closing Remarks by Ambassador Fatuma Ndangiza, <i>Chairperson, APR Panel of Eminent Persons</i></p>
19:00	<b>Dinner</b> - Hosted by Dr. Abdalla Hamdok, <i>Deputy Executive Secretary of UNECA, in honour of APR Panel</i>