Proposed programme of work

Day 1: Monday, 7 December 2015

8.30 – 10 a.m.  Registration of participants
10 – 10.30 a.m. Opening of the session

Statement by representative of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)

Statement by representative of the African Union Commission (AUC)

Keynote statement by representative of host Government

10.30 – 10.45 a.m. Election of the Bureau
10.45 – 11 a.m.  Consideration and adoption of the agenda and programme of work
11 – 11.30 a.m.  Coffee break
11.30 – 1 p.m.  Progress in the implementation of regional integration and trade programmes. Presentation of reports by the secretariat on:

  • Assessing Regional Integration in Africa
  • Africa Regional Integration Index
  • International and Intra-African Trade
  • Development in Land Policy Formulation and Implementation in Africa

General discussion

1 – 2.30 p.m.  Lunch break
2.30 – 3.45 p.m. Progress in the implementation of regional integration and trade programmes (cont.) Presentation of reports on:

  • Status of Food Security in Africa
• Development and Promotion of Regional Strategic Food and Agricultural Commodity Value Chains in Africa
• Review of Investment Policies and Bilateral Investment Treaties Landscape in Africa: Implications for Regional Integration

General discussion
15.45 – 4 p.m. Coffee break
4 – 5.30 p.m. Progress in the implementation of regional integration and trade programmes (cont.)
Presentation of reports on
• Infrastructure Development in Africa

General discussion

Day 2: Tuesday, 8 December 2015

10 – 11.15 a.m. General discussion on the theme of the ninth session, “Enhancing productive integration for Africa’s structural transformation”, introduced by the secretariat, through the presentation of the report entitled “Review of Industrial Policies and Strategies in Africa”.
Panellists: Representatives of member States, regional economic communities and AUC

11.15 – 11.30 a.m. Coffee break
11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m. General discussion on the theme of the ninth session (cont.)
1 – 2.30 p.m. Lunch break
2.30 – 4 p.m. Review of the 2014–2015 work programme of the Regional Integration and Trade Division and priorities for the biennium 2016–2017

4 – 4.15 p.m. Coffee break
4.15 – 5.30 p.m. General discussion

Day 3: Wednesday, 9 December 2015

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Free time for participants (drafting of the Report)
4 – 5 p.m. Adoption of the report of the ninth session
5 – 5.30 p.m. Closing of the session