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Tenth session
Addis Ababa, 1 and 2 November 2017Item 3 of the provisional agenda*
**Consideration and adoption of the agenda and
programme of work****Provisional programme of work****Wednesday, 1 November 2017**

- 10 – 10.30 a.m. **Opening of the session** (agenda item 1)
Moderator: tbc
Venue: United Nations Conference Centre, Economic
Commission for Africa
Chair: Chair of the outgoing Bureau
Opening statements:
Representative of the Economic Commission for Africa
Representative of the African Union Commission
Keynote statement:
Representative of the host Government
- 10.30 – 10.45 a.m. **Election of the Bureau** (agenda item 2)
- 10.45 – 11 a.m. **Consideration and adoption of the agenda and
programme of work** (agenda item 3)
- 11 – 11.30 a.m. Coffee break
- 11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m. **Progress in the implementation of the regional
integration and trade programmes** (agenda item 4)
Presentation of reports by the secretariat on:
(a) Surveying developments in Africa's regional
integration with a view to influencing policy;
(b) Progress on land policy formulation and
implementation in Africa;
(c) Status of food security in Africa
General discussion.
- 1 – 2:30 p.m. Lunch break

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- 2:30 – 3:45 p.m. **Progress in the implementation of regional integration and trade programmes (cont.)**
Presentation of reports by the secretariat on:
(d) Developing and promoting strategic agricultural commodity value chains for food security and sustainable development in Africa;
(e) Inclusive infrastructure development: the key to promoting Africa’s industrialization;
General discussion.
- 3.45 – 4 p.m. Coffee break
- 4 – 6 p.m. **Progress in the implementation of regional integration and trade programmes (cont.)**
(f) Sharing best practices: boosting intra-African investment.
General discussion.

Thursday, 2 November 2017

- 10 – 11.15 a.m. **General discussion on the theme of the tenth session, “Implementation of the continental free trade area and shared gains” (agenda item 5)**
Smart industrialization through trade in the context of Africa’s transformation
The secretariat will give a presentation on the eighth edition of the report, “Assessing regional integration in Africa”, which focuses on the continental free trade area
Panellists:
Representatives of member States
Representatives of regional economic communities
Representatives of the African Union Commission
- 11.15 – 11.30 a.m. Coffee break
- 11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m. **General discussion on the theme of the tenth session, “Implementation of the continental free trade area and shared gains” (cont.)**
- 1 – 2.30 p.m. Lunch break

- 2.30 – 3.30 p.m. **Review of the 2016–2017 work programme of the Regional Integration and Trade Division and priorities for the biennium 2018–2019** (agenda item 6)
- 3.30 – 3.45 p.m. Coffee break
- 3.45 – 4.30 p.m. **Review of the 2016–2017 work programme of the Regional Integration and Trade Division and priorities for the biennium 2018–2019** (cont.)
- General discussion
- 4.30 – 5.30 p.m. **Consideration and adoption of the report of the tenth session** (agenda item 7)
- 5.30 – 6 p.m. **Closing of the session** (agenda item 8)
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