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Item 3 of the provisional agenda
**Consideration and adoption of the agenda and
programme of work**

Provisional annotated agenda

1. Opening of the session

The tenth session will be opened at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 1 November 2017, and will include opening statements by representatives of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), the African Union Commission and the host Government. The outgoing Chair from the ninth session will preside over this session.

2. Election of the Bureau

The Committee will elect its new Bureau in the light of prior consultations with member States by the ECA Secretary to the Commission. The Bureau will comprise four members: one chair, two vice-chairs and one rapporteur. After making a few brief remarks, the incoming Chair will preside over the rest of the proceedings. The membership of the current Bureau is attached as an annex to this provisional annotated agenda.

Documentation

No documentation required.

3. Consideration and adoption of the agenda and programme of work

The Committee will be invited to consider and adopt the provisional agenda and provisional programme of work, subject to such amendments as are deemed necessary.

Documentation

Provisional agenda (E/ECA/CRCI/10/1)

Provisional annotated agenda (E/ECA/CRCI/10/1/Add.1)

Provisional programme of work (E/ECA/CRCI/10/INF.1)

4. Progress in the implementation of the regional integration and trade programme

The secretariat will present reports and other contributions on a number of issues and developments in the area of trade and regional integration in Africa.

(a) **Surveying developments in Africa's regional integration with a view to influencing policy**

Documentation

Comprehensive report on developments in Africa's regional integration in the context of trade, investments, infrastructure, industrialization, land management, food security and agriculture with a view to influencing policy (E/ECA/CRCI/10/2)

(b) **Progress on land policy formulation and implementation in Africa**

Documentation

Progress on land policy formulation and implementation in Africa (E/ECA/CRCI/10/3)

(c) **Status of food security in Africa**

Documentation

Status of food security in Africa (E/ECA/CRCI/10/4)

(d) **Developing and promoting strategic agricultural commodity value chains for food security and sustainable development**

Documentation

Development and promotion of strategic agricultural commodity value chains for food security and sustainable development in Africa (E/ECA/CRCI/10/5)

(e) **Inclusive infrastructure development: the key to promoting Africa's industrialization**

Documentation

Promotion of Africa's industrialization through inclusive infrastructure development (E/ECA/CRCI/10/6)

(f) **Sharing best practices: boosting intra-African investment**

Documentation

How African countries are boosting intra-African investment, with a view to sharing best practices among member States (E/ECA/CRCI/10/7)

5. General discussion on the theme of the tenth session, "Implementation of the continental free trade area and shared gains"

The secretariat will introduce the session and present the eighth edition of the report, "Assessing regional integration in Africa", which focuses on the implementation of the continental free trade area. A general discussion will follow, to be led by panellists from member States, regional economic communities and the African Union Commission.

Documentation

International and intra-African trade (E/ECA/CRCI/10/8)

"Assessing regional integration in Africa", eighth edition

6. Review of the 2016–2017 work programme of the Regional Integration and Trade Division and priorities for the biennium 2018-2019

In this session, the Director of the Division will give an overview of the 2016-2017 work programme, which will be followed by a discussion on the performance and outputs achieved and of the priorities for the biennium 2018–2019.

Documentation

No documentation required.

7. Consideration and adoption of the report of the tenth session

The Committee may wish to consider and adopt the report of its session, which articulates the views of the participants on the tenth session and other policy and operational issues.

8. Closing of the session

The Chair will make closing remarks, highlight the main outcomes of the tenth session of the Committee and close the meeting.

Annex

Membership of the Bureau

Members of the Bureau of the Committee on Regional Cooperation and Integration, from 1999 to 2015 and proposed members for 2017^a

<i>Year</i>	<i>Chair</i>	<i>1st Vice-Chair</i>	<i>2nd Vice-Chair</i>	<i>3rd Vice-Chair</i>	<i>Rapporteur</i>
1999	Malawi (Southern Africa)	Burkina Faso (West Africa)	Central African Republic (Central Africa)	Tunisia (North Africa)	Uganda (Eastern Africa)
2002	Senegal (West Africa)	Equatorial Guinea (Central Africa)	Kenya (East Africa)	Malawi (Southern Africa)	Morocco (North Africa)
2003	Algeria (North Africa)	Burkina Faso (West Africa)	Cameroon (Central Africa)	Ethiopia (Eastern Africa)	United Rep. of Tanzania (Eastern Africa)
2005	Uganda (Eastern Africa)	Morocco (North Africa)	South Africa (Southern Africa)	Burkina Faso (West Africa)	Cameroon (Central Africa)
2007	Sudan (North Africa)	Rwanda (Eastern Africa)	Nigeria (West Africa)	Chad (Central Africa)	Malawi (Southern Africa)
2009	Ethiopia (Eastern Africa)	South Africa (Southern Africa)	Ghana (West Africa)	Gabon (Central Africa)	Egypt (North Africa)
2011	Cameroon (Central Africa)	Gambia (West Africa)	Tunisia (North Africa)	Swaziland (Southern Africa)	Eritrea (Eastern Africa)
2013	Benin (West Africa)	Algeria (North Africa)	Malawi (Southern Africa)	Uganda (East Africa)	Gabon (Central Africa)
2015	Sudan (North Africa)	Namibia (Southern Africa)	Kenya (Eastern Africa)	Congo (Central Africa)	Nigeria (West Africa)
Proposed for 2017					
<i>Position</i>	<i>Chair</i>	<i>1st Vice-Chair</i>	<i>2nd Vice-Chair</i>	<i>3rd Vice-Chair</i>	<i>Rapporteur</i>
Region	Southern Africa	Eastern Africa	Central Africa	West Africa	North Africa

^a From inception in 1999 to 2013, the Committee on Cooperation and Integration was known as the Committee on Trade, Regional Cooperation and Integration.