Africa Regional Consultative Meeting on the Sustainable Development Goals

Ministerial segment

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
4 and 5 November 2013

Provisional Annotated Agenda
1. Opening of the meeting

The moderator for the opening session will introduce the speakers for the session and invite the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) to give his welcome remarks. This will be followed by the statements of the African Union Commission (AUC), the African Development Bank (AfDB) and other speakers. The representative of the Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia will deliver the opening address and declare the meeting open.

2. Organizational matters

(a) The Bureau

The Bureau will comprise Ministers from member States elected for the Experts segment. The moderator will introduce and invite the Chairperson to preside over the deliberations.

(b) Adoption of the agenda and programme of work

The Chairperson will introduce the provisional agenda and programme of work and invite the meeting to consider adopting them.

3. Consideration of the report of the Experts segment

The Ministers will be given the report of the Experts segment for consideration. The comments and observations of the Ministers will be recorded and incorporated in the report of the Ministerial segment.

4. High-level policy dialogue on the Post-2015 Development Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

This will be an interactive session with the objective of generating consensus and providing high-level political guidance on the following themes:

(i) The Post-2015 Development Agenda and Africa’s sustainable development priorities;
(ii) Enhancing convergence between the Post-2015 Development Agenda and the SDGs process; and
(iii) Strategies for ensuring that Africa’s priorities are effectively articulated and negotiated at the global level.

Detailed guidelines for the high-level policy dialogue will be circulated in due course.

5. Consideration and adoption of the Outcome Document of the Africa Regional Consultative Meeting on the Sustainable Development Goals

The draft Outcome Document of the Africa Regional Consultative Meeting on the SDGs will be presented to the Ministers for consideration and adoption. The comments and observations of the Ministers on the draft will be incorporated directly in the document. The session will conclude with the Ministers adopting the Outcome Document of the Africa Regional Consultative Meeting on the SDGs.
6. **Adoption of the report of the Ministerial segment of the Africa Regional Consultative Meeting on the SDGs**

The draft Report of the Africa Regional Consultative Meeting on the SDGs will be presented to the Ministers for consideration and adoption. The comments and observations of the Ministers on the draft will be recorded. The report will be adopted with the understanding that the agreed amendments will be incorporated in the final report to be circulated to all participants at the earliest possible time after the meeting.

7. **Closing of the meeting**

Speakers for the closing session will make remarks, and the Chairperson of the Bureau of the meeting will make a statement and declare, the Africa Consultative Meeting on the Sustainable Development Goals closed.