Twentieth (20th) Session of the Intergovernmental Committee of Experts (ICE) for West Africa

Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
18-19 May, 2017,

Theme: “2030 and 2063 agendas implementation in West Africa: Role of development planning”

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THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2017

09:00 – 10:00  Registration of participants (Agenda item 1)

10:00 – 10:45  Opening Ceremony

  • Address by the Director of the Sub-Regional Office of the ECA for West Africa.
  • Address by the Resident Coordinator of the United Nations System in Burkina Faso.
  • Speech by the outgoing President of the 19th Session of the ICE.
  • Opening speech by the Minister of the Economy, Finance and development of Burkina Faso.

10:45 – 11:00  Coffee break

11:00 – 11:15  Election of the Bureau (Agenda item 2)

  • Election of the Bureau of the 20th Session of the ICE
  • Introduction of the delegates
  • Adoption of the Programme of Work

11:15 – 11:30  Adoption of the agenda and the programme of meeting (Agenda item 4)

11:30 – 12:00  Consideration of the statutory reports (Agenda item 5)

  • Report on the implementation of the Programme of Work of the ECA SRO-WA in 2016 and outlook for 2017

12:00 – 12:30  Consideration of the statutory reports (cont’d)

  • Note on the economic and social conditions in 2016 and the prospects for 2017 in West Africa

12:30 – 1:00  Consideration of the statutory reports (cont’d)

  • Report on the implementation of SDG

1:00 – 2:30  Lunch break

2:30 – 3:45  Consideration of the statutory reports (cont’d)

  • Report on sub-regional initiatives: Progress report on the ECOWAS common currency

3:45 – 4:00  Coffee break
4:00 – 4:30  Communications on the work of ECA at continental level (Agenda item 6)

4:30-5:00  Presentation of the report of the EGM on ECOWAS: «ECOWAS external common tariff (ECT) implementation status and EU’s Economics Partnership Agreement (EPAs) ratification impact at ECOWAS zone (Agenda item 7)

**FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2016**

09:00 - 10:00  Round table on: *Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Agenda 2063 in West Africa: The role of development planning (Agenda item 8)*

10:00 – 10:15  Coffee-break

10:15 - 11:30  Special Session on Regional Integration (Agenda item 9)

- ECOWAS, UEMOA, CBLT, MRU
- Member States communication on the implementation of the ICE 19 recommendations

11:30 - 1:00  Preparation of the report by the secretariat and administrative arrangements for the delegates

1:00 – 2:30  Lunch break

2:30 – 4:00  Preparation of the ICE report and administrative arrangements for the delegates (cont’d)

4:00 – 4:15  Coffee-break

4:00 – 5:00  Consideration and adoption of the report and the recommendations of the meeting (Agenda item 9)

- Date and venue of ICE21 (Agenda item 10)
- Any other business (Agenda item 11)

5:00 – 5:30  Closing ceremony (Agenda item 12)

- Address by the Director of the Office
- Closing speech by the host country