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## Draft programme of work

<b>Monday, 24 February 2020</b>	
2–2.10 p.m.	<b>Photo session</b>
2.10–2.50 p.m.	<b>Opening of the session</b> <b>Facilitator</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Assistant Secretary-General and Director of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Regional Bureau for Africa, Ahunna Eziakonwa</li></ul> <b>Remarks and statements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Welcoming remarks by the Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Special Representative to the African Union and Head of the United Nations Office to the African Union, Hanna Serwaa Tetteh</li><li>Statement by the Deputy Chairperson of the African Union Commission, Kwesi Quartey</li><li>Opening address by Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations, Amina J. Mohammed</li></ul>
2.50–4 p.m.	<b>Dialogue between the African Union and the United Nations on leveraging the United Nations decade of action in realizing the Sustainable Development Goals and implementing Agenda 2063</b> <b>Speakers</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations, Amina J. Mohammed</li><li>Deputy Chairperson of the African Union Commission, Kwesi Quartey</li><li>Under-Secretary-General and Special Representative to the African Union and Head of the United Nations Office to the African Union, Hanna Serwaa Tetteh</li></ul>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioner for Social Affairs of the African Union Commission, Amira Elfadil Mohamed Elfadil</li> <li>• Minister for National Development Planning, Zambia, Alexander Chiteme</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa, Vera Songwe</li> </ul>
4–4.15 p.m.	Coffee break
4.15–5.25 p.m.	<p><b>Breakout groups</b></p> <p>Leveraging the United Nations decade of action in realizing the Sustainable Development Goals and implementing Agenda 2063 in Africa. Two breakout groups will deliberate on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• African Union theme for 2020: “Silencing the guns: creating conducive conditions for Africa’s development”</li> <li>• Sustainable Development Goals gateway</li> </ul>
4.30–6 p.m.	<p><b>Parallel special session on young people and African youth engagement for the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development: UN@75 - The future is now</b></p> <p>A separate programme is available for this event</p>
5.25–5.55 p.m.	<p><b>Breakout groups report to plenary</b></p> <p><b>Co-chairs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisor to the Chairperson, Bureau of the Chairperson of the African Union Commission, Rosette Katungye</li> <li>• Assistant Director General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Abebe Haile-Gabriel</li> </ul>
5.55–6.15 p.m.	<b>Other matters</b>
6.15–6.30 p.m.	<p><b>Closing of the session</b></p> <p><b>Facilitator</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assistant Secretary-General and Director of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Regional Bureau for Africa, Ahunna Eziakonwa</li> </ul> <p><b>Closing statements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa, Vera Songwe</li> <li>• Deputy Chairperson of the African Union Commission, Kwesi Quartey</li> </ul>