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Economic Commission for Africa
Committee of Experts of the Conference of African
Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development
Forty-second meeting

Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe (hybrid), 28 February–1 March 2024

Item 2 of the provisional agenda*

**Election of the Bureau and adoption of the agenda and
programme of work****Draft programme of work****Wednesday, 28 February**

9–9.30 a.m.**

**Opening of the forty-second meeting of the
Committee of Experts and the fifty-sixth session
of the Economic Commission for Africa** (agenda
item 1)Chair: Chair of the outgoing Bureau, Permanent
Representative of Uganda to the African Union, the
Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) and the
Intergovernmental Authority on Development,
Rebecca Otengo

Statements:

- Chair of the outgoing Bureau
- Deputy Executive Secretary (Programme
support), ECA, Antonio Pedro
- Minister for Finance, Economic Development
and Investment Promotion of Zimbabwe,
Mthuli Ncube

9.30–9.45 a.m.

**Election of the Bureau and adoption of the agenda
and programme of work** (agenda item 2)

9.45–11 a.m.

Session I**Overview of recent economic and social
developments in Africa** (agenda item 3)

Chair: Chair of the Bureau

Presentation by the Director of the Macroeconomics
and Governance Division, ECA, Adam Elhiraika

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** All times are Central African Time (UTC+2).



	General discussion
11–11.15 a.m.	Coffee break
11.15 a.m.–12.30 p.m.	Session II Assessment of progress on regional integration in Africa (agenda item 4) Chair: Chair of the Bureau Presentation by the Director of the Regional Integration and Trade Division, ECA, Stephen Karingi General discussion
12.30–2.30 p.m.	Lunch break
2.30–4 p.m.	Session III Presentation on the theme of the fifty-sixth session of the Economic Commission for Africa (agenda item 5) Chair: Chair of the Bureau Presentation by the Deputy Executive Secretary (Programme) and Chief Economist, ECA, Hanan Morsy General discussion
4–4.15 p.m.	Coffee break
4.15–5.30 p.m.	Session III Presentation on the theme of the fifty-sixth session of the Economic Commission for Africa (cont.) General discussion
5.30 p.m.	Reception

Thursday, 29 February

9–10.45 a.m.	Session IV Statutory issues (agenda item 6) Chair: Chair of the Bureau The following reports on statutory issues will be considered: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report of the Executive Secretary on the activities of ECA from April 2023 to February 2024, introduced by the Director of the Strategic Planning, Oversight and Results Division, ECA, Said Adejumobi• Report on the follow-up to the resolutions of the Conference of African Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, introduced by the Director of the Strategic Planning, Results and Oversight Division, ECA• Report of the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development on its ninth session
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and follow-up activities, introduced by the Acting Director of the Technology, Climate Change and Natural Resources Management Division, ECA, Nassim Oulmane

General discussion

10.45–11 a.m.

Coffee break

11 a.m.–12.45 p.m.

Session V

Statutory issues (cont.)

- Reports of the subregional intergovernmental committees of senior officials and experts on their sessions, introduced by the Director of the Subregional Office for West Africa, ECA, Ngone Diop
- Oral report on the subregional preparatory meetings for the Conference of African Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, introduced by the Director of the Subregional Office for Southern Africa, ECA, Eunice Kamwendo
- Report of the Committee on Private Sector Development, Regional Integration, Trade, Infrastructure, Industry and Technology on its third session, introduced by the Acting Director of the Private Sector Development and Finance Division, ECA, Robert Lisinge

General discussion

12.45–2.30 p.m.

Lunch break

2.30–4.30 p.m.

Session VI

Statutory issues (cont.)

- Report of the Committee on Social Policy, Poverty and Gender on its fifth session, introduced by the Chief of Staff and Acting Director of the Gender, Poverty and Social Policy Division, ECA, Sweta Saxena
- Progress report on the work of the African Institute for Economic Development and Planning, introduced by the Director of the African Institute for Economic Development and Planning, ECA, Karima Bounemra Ben Soltane
- Proposed programme plan for 2025 and programme performance in 2023: summary, and proposed programme budget for 2025
 - Proposed programme plan for 2025, introduced by the Director of the Strategic Planning, Oversight and Results Division, ECA
 - Proposed programme budget for 2025, introduced by the Director of the Division of Administration, ECA, Carlos Haddad

General discussion

4.30–4.45 p.m.	Coffee break
4.45–5.30 p.m.	Session VII Statutory issues (cont.) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report on United Nations support for the African Union and its New Partnership for Africa’s Development programme, introduced by the Director of the Strategic Planning, Oversight and Results Division, ECA <p>General discussion</p>
5.30–6 p.m.	Presentation by the Director of Strategy, African Union Development Agency, Mohamed Abdisalam, on financing the second 10-year implementation plan of Agenda 2063 and the second priority action plan of the Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa <p>General discussion</p>

Friday, 1 March

9–10.30 a.m.	Session VIII Statutory issues (agenda item 6) (cont.) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report on the implementation of the Vienna Programme of Action for Landlocked Developing Countries for the Decade 2014–2024, introduced by the Director of the Regional Integration and Trade Division, ECA• Report on the progress made in Africa in the implementation of the priority areas of the Doha Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries, introduced by the Director of the Macroeconomics and Governance Division, ECA <p>General discussion</p>
10.30–10.45 a.m.	Coffee break
10.45–11.15 a.m.	Date, venue and theme of the fifty-seventh session of the Economic Commission for Africa (agenda item 7)
11.15–11.30 a.m.	Other matters (agenda item 8)
11.30 a.m.–4 p.m.	Drafting of the report on the meeting of the Committee of Experts
12.30–2.30 p.m.	Lunch break
4–6 p.m.	Session IX Consideration and adoption of the report of the Committee of Experts and consideration of recommendations and draft resolutions (agenda item 9) <p>Chair: Chair of the Bureau</p> <p>Introduction of the draft report by the Rapporteur of the Bureau</p>

6–6.30 p.m.

**Closing of the forty-second meeting of the
Committee of Experts** (agenda item 10)

Chair: Chair of the Bureau

Statements:

- Deputy Executive Secretary (Programme) and
Chief Economist, ECA
 - Chair of the Bureau
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