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Item 3 of the provisional agenda*
Organizational matters:
(b) Adoption of the agenda and programme of work

Provisional programme of work

Wednesday, 2 May 2018

8.30 a.m.–17.30 p.m. Registration

Pre-events

- Capacity-building and preparatory meeting for major groups and other stakeholders for the fourth session of the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development
- Pre-event on Strengthening Integrated and Voluntary National Review and Reporting of the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063
- Other pre-events (see www.uneca.org/arfsd2018)

Thursday, 3 May 2018

8.30–9 a.m. Registration

9–10.00 a.m. **Opening of the session** (agenda item 1)

Venue: Salle Flamboyant

Chair: Chair of the outgoing Bureau of the third session of the Regional Forum and Director of Policy Development Planning, Ministry of Planning, Togo, Mr. Gervais Meatchi

Moderator: Director, Special Initiatives Division, Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), Fatima Denton

Statements:

- Chair of the outgoing Bureau of the third session of the Regional Forum, Togo, Mr. Gervais Meatchi
- United Nations resident coordinator in Senegal, Ms. Priya Gajraj

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- Director for Economic Affairs, of the African Union Commission, Dr. Rene Kouassi
- Ministre de l'Environnement et du Développement Durable du Sénégal, Mr. Mame Thierno Dieng
- United Nations Special Representative of the Secretary-General for West Africa and the Sahel, and head of UNOWAS, Mr. Mohamed Ibn Chambas

Opening and keynote address by **H.E. Mohammed Boun Abdallah Dionne**, Prime Minister of Republic of Senegal

10.00–10.15 a.m. Coffee break

10.15–11.45 a.m. **High-level panel on transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies: action, solutions and the role of technology** (agenda item 2)

Chair: Mr. Mame Thierno Dieng, Ministre de l'Environnement et du Développement Durable du Sénégal

Moderator: Mr. Adam Abdelmoula, Director of the Human Rights Council and Treaty Mechanisms Division, OHCHR Commissioner for Human Rights

Panellists:

- H.E. Honorable Habofano Sixtus Lehana, Minister for Local Government and Chieftainship of the Kingdom of Lesotho and Chairperson of Sub-Committee on Human Settlement and Urban Development (HUD) of the African Union Specialized Technical Committee on Public Service, Local Government, Urban Development and Decentralization, Lesotho
- Hon. Dr. Baryomunsi Chris, Minister of State for Lands, Housing and Urban Development (Housing)
- United Nations resident coordinator in Senegal, Ms. Priya Gajraj
- Mr. Said Kambi, Chief Executive Officer, Africa Corporate Governance Network, United Republic of Tanzania

General discussion

11.45 a.m.–12.15 p.m. **Organizational matters** (agenda item 3)

(a) Overview and election of the Bureau

Chair: Mr. Gervais Meatchi, Chair of the outgoing Bureau of the third session of the Regional Forum, Togo

(b) Adoption of the agenda and programme of work

Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the fourth session of the Regional Forum

12.15–1 p.m. **Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Agenda 2063: support and progress made at regional and subregional levels** (agenda item 4)

Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the fourth session of the Regional Forum

Presentations:

- Africa regional report on the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals and the goals contained in Agenda 2063, by Mr. Bartholomew Armah, ECA
- Overview of the support for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Agenda 2063, by ECA/African Union Commission

General discussion

1–2 p.m.

Lunch break / Side-events

(<https://www.uneca.org/arfsd2018>)

2:30–4.00 p.m.

Round table on peer learning, focusing on solutions, good practices and lessons learned in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063 (agenda item 5)

Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the fourth session

Moderator: Mr. Mansour Ndiaye, UNDP

Panellists:

- Representative of the Government of Togo (2017 voluntary national review)
- Representative of the Government of Cabo Verde (Small island developing States/2018 voluntary national review)
- Representative of the Government of Egypt (Agenda 2063)
- Representative of major groups and other stakeholders
- Representative of development partners

4.00–4.15 p.m.

Coffee break

4.15–6 p.m.

Parallel panel meetings on the subthemes of the session (agenda item 6)

- (a) Clean water and sanitation;
- (b) Affordable and clean energy;
- (c) Sustainable cities and communities;
- (d) Responsible consumption and production;
- (e) Life on land;
- (f) Strengthening the means of implementation and the partnership for sustainable development

6.45–8.30 p.m.

Reception

Friday, 4 May 2018

- 9–11 a.m. **Presentations and discussions of outcomes and proposed key messages, including policy recommendations emanating from the parallel panel meetings** (agenda item 7)
- Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the fourth session
- (a) Clean water and sanitation;
 - (b) Affordable and clean energy;
 - (c) Sustainable cities and communities
- 11–11.15 a.m. Coffee break
- 11.20 a.m.–1 p.m. **Presentations and discussions of outcomes and proposed key messages, including policy recommendations emanating from the parallel panel meetings** (continued)
- Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the fourth session
- (d) Responsible consumption and production;
 - (e) Life on land;
 - (f) Strengthen the means of implementation and the partnership for sustainable development
- 1–2 p.m. Lunch break
- 2–4 p.m. Refining the key messages by the secretariat under the guidance of the chairs of the parallel panel meetings
- 2–3.45 p.m. Side events (TBD)
- 4–5 p.m. **Consideration and adoption of key messages** (agenda item 8)
- Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the fourth session
- 4.30–4.45 p.m. **Theme, dates and venue of the fifth session of the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development, in 2019** (agenda item 9)
- Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the fourth session
- 4.45–5 p.m. Coffee break
- 5–5.15 p.m. **Other matters** (agenda item 10)
- Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the fourth session
- 5.15–5.45 p.m. **Closing of the session** (agenda item 11)
- Statements:
- Deputy Executive Secretary, ECA, Ms. Giovannie Biha
 - Chair of the Bureau of the fourth session