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Statistical Commission for Africa Fifth session Abidjan, 28 November-2 December 2016 **Committee of Directors General of National Statistics Offices** Tenth session

Draft annotated agenda

1. Registration

1. Participants will be invited to register. Registration will take place from 26 November to 1 December 2016, starting from 8 a.m.

2. Opening ceremony

Statements

2. The opening session will be held on 30 November 2016 at 9 a.m. This part of the session will be jointly conducted with the United Nations Initiative on Global Geospatial Information Management Africa (UN-GGIM Africa).

• The Director General of the Institut national de la statistique of Côte d'Ivoire will make welcoming remarks

• Official statements will follow by a representative of the African Development Bank, a representative of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) and the Commissioner for Economic Affairs of the African Union Commission (AUC)

- An official from Côte d'Ivoire will open the meeting.
- 3. After the official opening and a group photo, while participants are having a coffee break, a press briefing will be organized with the officials.

3. Procedural matters

Election of the Bureau

- 4. The Director of the Department of Economic Affairs of AUC and the Director of the African Centre for Statistics of ECA will lead the session.
- 5. The Bureau will comprise a Chair, two Vice-Chairs and two Rapporteurs. The Bureau will serve for one year.

Adoption of the programme of work and other organizational matters

- 6. The Director of the Institut national de la statistique of Côte d'Ivoire will lead the session.
- 7. Under this item, the draft agenda and the draft programme of work will be submitted, discussed, amended (if need be) and adopted. The secretariat will also address any relevant administrative matters and make any announcements.

Documentation:

- Draft agenda
- Draft programme of work
- Draft annotated agenda
- Status and the challenge of harmonization in the collection, production and dissemination of economic statistics

4. Session I: Strengthening economic statistics to support Agenda 2063 and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

8. A keynote speaker will develop the theme of the meeting. This will be followed by a report on strategy for strengthening economic statistics to support the implementation of Agenda 2063 and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The report will highlight progress made and challenges faced while collecting, compiling and reporting economic statistics, with a focus on the implementation of the 2008 System of National Accounts (SNA).

Documentation:

- Keynote address
- Report of strengthening economic statistics to support the implementation of Agenda 2063 and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

5. Plenary session II: Report on the implementation of the resolutions of the ninth session of the Committee of Director General

9. Presentation on the implementation of the resolutions of the ninth session of the Committee of Director General followed by discussions and recommendations

Documentation:

 Report of the implementation of the resolutions of the ninth session of the Committee of Director General

6. Plenary session III: Strategy for the Harmonization of Statistics in Africa (SHaSA)

- 10. Presentation of a summary of reports produced by operational SHaSA Specialized Technical Working Groups will be presented. These reports will take stock of what has been achieved since the two bodies last met and challenges faced.
- 11. A comprehensive draft revised version of SHaSA will be submitted for extensive discussion and validation. The revised SHaSA should take into account new developments pertaining to monitoring of the implementation of the two major agendas (Agenda 2063 and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development), and also the development and use of new technologies.

Documentation:

- Report on the draft revised SHaSA.
- Report of the specialized Technical Group on governance, peace and security
- Report of the specialized Technical Group on national accounts and price statistics
- Report of the specialized Technical Group on science, technology and education
- Report of the specialized Technical Group on gender statistics
- Report of the specialized Technical Group on statistical training
- Report of the specialized Technical Group on labour, migration and the informal sector

7. Plenary session IV: Ongoing, new and emerging issues

12. In this session, reports on selected major ongoing activities and new or emerging issues will be presented, as listed below.

Documentation:

- Report on revenue statistics
- Report on Urbanization Data and Statistics
- Report on statistical development in Africa
- Report on the African Statistical Development Index
- Report on the use of mobile technology in Africa
- Report on the Africa Programme on Accelerated Improvement of Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (APAI-CRVS)
- Report on the 2020 round of population and housing censuses in Africa
- Call for expressions of interest of 18 Peer Reviews planning to be conducted in Africa under the Pan-African Statistics programme.
- Call for expression on interest from NSO for E-Learning Program on Implementing African Agenda 2063/2030 Agenda on SD

8. Plenary session V: Reports on side events

13. In this session, the main conclusions reached at the pre-meetings organized on 28 and 29 November 2016 will be reported to the plenary.

Documentation reports on:

- Forum on Statistical Development in Africa (FASDEV)
- Governance, Peace and Security Statistics
- Health statistics and the campaign to end child marriage in Africa
- Data-sharing, and in particular the African Union data portal
- Integration of geospatial and statistical information in Africa and establishment of data centres and data analysis centres for the African Geodetic Reference Frame (AFREF)
- Challenge of land monitoring in the Framework and Guidelines on Land Policy in Africa and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Labour migration statistics
- Solution Exchange for African Statistical Community.
- The African Gender Index and the UNWomen's Regional Flagship Programme

9. Plenary session VI: Exchange of views of the statistical activities coordination and partnerships

14. Under this agenda item, coordination between pan-African institutions will be examined through discussion of a report produced by the African Statistics Coordination Committee and the report of the Africa Symposium on Statistical Development, to be held in Tunis from 2 to 4 November 2016. In addition, global partnership and preparations for the forty-eighth session of the United Nations Statistical Commission will be examined to ensure the continent's involvement in the global statistical system. The continent's representation at and participation in the forty-eighth session of the Statistical Commission will also be discussed.

Documentation:

- Report of the African Statistics Coordination Committee
- Report of the African Symposium for Statistical Development
- Report on preparations for the forty-eighth session of the United Nations Statistical Commission.

10. Plenary session VII: Statutory issues

- 15. The pan-African institutions will report on their past and future statistical programmes.
- 16. A representative of AUC will also present a progress report on the signature and ratification of the African Charter on Statistics and the status of the operationalization of the Pan-African Institute of Statistics and the Pan-African Statistical Training Centre, and the activities undertaken under the Pan-African Statistical Programme.
- 17. In addition, a decision will need to be reached on the date, venue and theme for the eleventh session of the Committee of Directors General.

Documentation:

- Report on the proposed ECA statistical programme for the biennium 2018-2019
- Report on the AUC statistical programme
- Report on the AfDB statistical programme
- Progress report on the implementation of the African Charter on Statistics
- Business plan of the African Union's Institute for Statistics
- Business plan of the Pan-African Statistical Training Centre.

11. Plenary session VIII: Main conclusions and recommendations

Closing session

- 18. This session will be jointly conducted with the United Nations Initiative on Global Geospatial Information Management Africa.
- 19. The conclusions and recommendations of the tenth session of the Committee of Directors General and the fifth session of StatCom Africa will be presented and adopted.
- 20. The conclusions and recommendations of the second session of the United Nations Initiative on Global Geospatial Information Management Africa will be presented and adopted.

Concluding statements

21. The Executive Secretary of ECA, the Commissioner for Economic Affairs of AUC and the Chair will make concluding remarks. A representative of the Government of Côte d'Ivoire will declare the meeting closed.

Social event: From 3 p.m.