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**Draft Agenda**

***“Governing and Harnessing Natural Resources for Africa’s Development”***

- 1. Opening of ADF-VIII exhibition**
- 2. Pre-ADF events**
- 3. ADF opening ceremony**
- 4. Plenary Session 1: High-level Roundtable on Governing and Harnessing Natural Resources for Africa’s Development**
- 5. Plenary Session 2: Roundtable on Mineral Resources for Africa’s Development: Anchoring a New Vision**
- 6. Plenary Session 3: Roundtable on Governing the Risks and Opportunities of Large-scale Land Investments for Africa’s Development**
- 7. Plenary Session 4: Roundtable on Harnessing Fishery Resources: Swimming the Tide to Africa’s Development**
- 8. Plenary Session 5: Roundtable on Seizing Green Growth Opportunities in the Forest Sector for Africa’s Sustainable Development**

**9. Parallel Thematic Breakout Sessions:**

- Minerals for development: issues, challenges and opportunities
- Role of land resources in development
- Role of fishery resources in development
- Role of forest resources in development

**10. Plenary Session 6: Reporting on discussions, policy suggestions and actions from the breakout sessions**

**11. Plenary Session 7: Open-ended discussion on the Draft Consensus Statement**

**12. Plenary Session 8: High-Level Reflections on Key Messages**

**13. Closing ceremony**

**14. Press conference**

**Awareness concert**