



**FINAL WORK PROGRAM**

***EXPERTS AND MINISTERIAL MEETING***

**The 4<sup>th</sup> Specialized Technical Committee on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment on the Review of the 25th Anniversary of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action (STC on Beijing + 25)  
Theme: Realizing Women's Rights for an Equal Future**

**28 October – 01 November, 2019**

**Old Conference Centre, African Union Commission Headquarters**

**Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**

Day One: Monday, 28 October 2019 (Venue: AUC)		Day One: Monday, 28 October 2019 (Venue: AUC)	
Stakeholder's Regional Consultation on Beijing+25 (CSOs, Young People and RECS)		STC Experts meeting on AUC processes and documents	
Time		Time	
08:00 - 9:00	Registration of participants	08:00 - 9:00	Registration of participants
9:00 – 10:30	Introduction and welcome remarks Discussion on the 12 critical areas of BPFA	9:00 – 10:00	<p><b>Opening Ceremony:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Opening remarks, Ms. Annie Rebecca Kenda Bakajika, STC Bureau Chairperson, <b>DRC</b></li> <li>- Introductory remarks, Ms. Lehau Victoria Maloka, Ag. Director, <b>Women, Gender and Development Directorate (WGDD), AUC</b></li> <li>- Remarks, Ms. Letty Chiwara, <b>UN Women</b></li> <li>- Remarks, Ms. Thokozile Ruzvidzo, <b>UNECA</b></li> <li>- Presentation and adoption of the Draft Agenda and Draft Work Programme, STC Chairperson</li> </ul> <p><b>Chair:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson</p>
10:00 – 10:30	<b>Group Photo and tea/coffee break</b>	10:00 – 10:30	<b>Group Photo and tea/coffee break</b>
10:30 – 13:30	Discussion on the 12 critical areas of BPFA	10:30 – 12:30	<p><b>Consideration of Draft Decisions</b></p> <p>Presentation of the Reports of the Solemn Declaration on Gender Equality in Africa (SDGEA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Victoria Maloka, WGDD and</li> <li>• Amb. Catherine Onyoni Mogaka, Office of the Special Envoy on Women Peace and Security</li> </ul>

			SDGEA Online Reporting System	Mr. Jesuis Elkie, WGDD
			Budget of the Women, Gender and Development Directorate and support to the Pan-African Women's Organisation (PAWO)	Ms. Victoria Maloka, WGDD
		<b>12:30 – 13.30</b>	<b>Briefings and Updates</b>	
			African Union Pan-African Women's Awards (PAWA)	Ms. Victoria Maloka, WGDD Ag. Director:
			The AU Strategy for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment (GEWE Strategy)	Dr. Tapiwa Rweyemamu, WGDD
			Coordination of AU Side Events at the 64 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW64)	Ms. Jeanne Flora Kayitesi, WGDD
			Advocacy missions for the ratification, domestication and implementation of the Maputo Protocol	Ms. Jeanne Flora Kayitesi, WGDD
			African Women Leaders Network (AWLN) and African Women Leaders' Fund (AWLF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Thelma Awori, AWLN</li> <li>• Ms. Awa Ndiaye, UNWOMEN</li> <li>• Ms. Thoko Ruzvidzo, UNECA</li> </ul>
			African Women's Decade and Fund for African Women	Mr. Adoumtar Noubatour, WGDD
			Date, venue and Agenda of next STC	STC Chairperson

13:30 - 14:30	Lunch Break and Networking	13.30 – 14.30	Lunch Break and Networking
14:30 – 18:00	Discussion on the 12 critical areas of the (BPFA)	13. 30 – 16.00	Report finalisation and Translation
		16.00 – 18.00	Consideration and adoption of the STC Experts report
18:00	End of Day One		Presentation and Adoption of the Draft Report: Angola, STC Bureau Rapporteur
<b>Day Two – Tuesday 29 October (venue AUC)</b>			
8:30 - 9:30	<p><b>Session 1: Introduction of the Beijing +25 Review process</b></p> <p><i>The objectives of this introductory Session are to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Present and adopt the agenda of the Beijing +25 review by Experts</li> <li>- Explore the key steps of the Beijing +25 review process in general and particularly in Africa</li> </ul> <p><b>Presenters:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- UN Women: Marie Goretti Nduwayo</li> <li>- UNECA</li> </ul> <p><b>Plenary Discussion (Q and A)</b></p> <p><b>Session Moderator: Ms. Izeduwa Derex- Briggs, Regional Director- UN Women East and Southern Africa Regional Office (ESARO) (TBC)</b></p>		<p><b>Chair:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson</p>
9:30-10:00	<p><b>Session 2: Strategy to ensure no one is left behind</b></p> <p><i>The main objective of this session is to consider all views in the Africa regional report including those from Civil Society, Young People and Regional Economic Communities. This session will also allow Participants to learn more about the linkages between The Beijing review after 25 years of implementation and the CSW64, which is planned to take place in New York from 9<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.</i></p> <p><b>Presenters:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- UN Women: Ms. Betty Murungi - Consultant</li> <li>- Femnet representing CSOs</li> <li>- Representative of the RECs</li> <li>- Representative of the Youth</li> </ul>		<p><b>Chair:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson</p>

	<p><b>Plenary Discussion (Q and A)</b></p> <p><b>Session Moderator:</b> Ms. Izeduwa Derex- Briggs, RD UN Women, ESARO</p>	
10:00-10:20	Tea/Coffee Break and Networking	
10:20-11:20	<p><b>Session 3: Presentation of the Draft Beijing +25 Review Report</b></p> <p><i>The main aim of this session is to ensure that Participants are at the same level of information on key Successes/Achievements on policy, institutional frameworks and programmes on each of the twelve critical areas of concern; Gaps and key challenges facing the Continent in implementing BPfA and Achieving SDGs and actionable Recommendations from Africa to meet the targets.</i></p> <p><b>Presenters:</b> ECA Consultant (Team leader)</p> <p><b>Plenary Discussion (Q and A)</b></p> <p><b>Session Moderator:</b> ECA (TBC)</p>	<p><b>Chair:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson</p>
11:20-11:40	<p><b>Session 4: Introduction to the group work session</b></p> <p><i>The objective of this session is to provide guidance to participants on the analysis of the regional draft report. Templates to be shared and discussed before the group sessions start. The same session will also divide participants into 4 groups that will include Experts who will lead the discussions, CSO, RECs and Youth representative.</i></p> <p><b>Presenters:</b> ECA</p> <p><b>Plenary Discussion (Q and A)</b></p> <p><b>Session Moderation:</b> ECA (TBC)</p>	<p><b>Chair:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson</p>
11:40 - 13:00	<p><b>Session 5: Group discussion on the Draft Beijing +25 Review Report</b></p>	<p><b>Chair:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson</p>

	<p><i>The main aim of this session is to allow the experts/delegates to review the draft zero of the regional report based on the realities at country level as revealed by the national reports submitted to ECA as results of national and regional consultations. Consideration of the link between BPFA, SDGs and aspiration 6 of the agenda 2063 is highly recommended.</i></p> <p><b>Group work:</b></p> <p>Group 1: TBC                      Group 2: TBC                      Group 3: TBC                      Group 4: TBC</p>	
13:00-114:30	<b>Lunch Break and Networking</b>	
14:30-16:00	<p><b>Session 6: Report back from Group discussion on the Draft Beijing +25 Review Report</b></p> <p><i>The main aim of this session is to share and discuss the outcomes from the group works and identify issues to inform the new version of the report to be submitted to Ministers. In this session, one selected representative will present to the plenary, the synthesized issues and recommendations arising from the group discussions. Members of each group will intervene if needed for support to the report. A general debate will end up with a summary of key recommendations to take from the session and inform revision of the Draft Outcome Document.</i></p> <p><b>Presenters:</b> Rapporteurs from group 1 and 2</p> <p><i>Plenary Discussion (Q and A)</i></p> <p><b>Session Moderator: ECA (TBC)</b></p>	<p><b>Chair:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson</p>
16:00-16:30	<b>Tea/Coffee Break and Networking</b>	
16:30-18:00	<p><b>Session 6: Report back from Group work (cont...)</b></p> <p><u>Presenters:</u> Rapporteurs from group 3 and 4</p> <p><i>Plenary Discussion (Q and A)</i></p> <p><b>Session Moderator: ECA (TBC)</b></p>	<p><b>Chair:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson</p>
18:00	<b>Closing Session</b>	

Day 3: Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019

**Morning session with the Senior Beijing Veterans**

**Reporting team meeting**

**Chair:**  
STC Bureau Chairperson

9:00-10:30

**Session 7: Discovering the 4<sup>th</sup> World Conference on women, peace and development with High level Guest including Senior Beijing Veterans.**

*This session will be an opportunity for those who led or took part in the 4<sup>th</sup> World Conference on Women, Peace and Development that took place in Beijing, China in 1995, to share their experiences on the Conference with stakeholders, especially the young generation, who now have to lead the implementation of the post-Beijing+25 process.*

**Panellists:**

- H.E. Ms. Gertrude Mongela,
- H.E. Ms. Bisi Fayemi
- Ms Anita Bhatia, Deputy Executive Director, UN Women
- Youth representative
- HeForShe

*Panel Discussion: (Q&A)*

**Session Moderator: Ms. Izeduwa Derex- Briggs (RD UN Women ESARO)**

8:30-12:00

**Session 8: Revision of the Draft regional report**

*This session will be an opportunity for the rapporteur to work on the draft Regional report to incorporate all inputs and issues agreed the previous day.*

10:30-11:00

**Tea/Coffee Break and Networking**

11:00-13:00

**Session 9: Presentation, discussion and adoption of the Draft 2 of the Regional Report**

*Presenters: Consultant / STC Bureau Rapporteur*

*Panel Discussion (Q and A) CSOs*

**Session Moderator:** STC Bureau Chairperson

**Chair:**  
STC Bureau Chairperson

13:00 - 14:30	<b>Lunch Break and Networking</b> Lunch Break and Networking		
14:30-15:30	<p><b>Session 10: Briefing session on ICPD +25 and Generation Equality Campaign</b></p> <p><i>The aim of this session is to raise awareness and increase interest of participants for their involvement in the upcoming 25th anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) and the Generation Equality campaign.</i></p> <p><u>Presenters:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- UNFPA (TBC)</li> <li>- Lopa Banerjee, Director, Civil Society Division, UN Women</li> <li>- UNECA Executive Director (TBC)</li> </ul> <p>Plenary Discussion (Q and A) CSOs</p> <p>Session Moderator: STC Bureau Chairperson</p>	<p><i>Final review and translation of the advanced draft report</i></p> <p><i>Final review and translation of the advanced draft report</i></p>	
15:30-16:30	<p><b>Session 11: Presentation of the Africa outcome document and key messages</b></p> <p><i>This session aims to provide a brief overview of the Draft Outcome Document developed based on the expert discussions and deliberations</i></p> <p>Presenter: Representative of the Drafting Committee / STC Bureau Rapporteur</p> <p>Plenary Discussions : Q&amp;A</p> <p>Session Moderator: STC</p>	<p><i>Final review and translation of the advanced draft report</i></p> <p><i>Final review and translation of the advanced draft report</i></p>	
16.30 – 16.45	<p><b>Session 12: Closing Ceremony</b></p> <p><b>Remarks</b></p> <p>- WGDD</p>	<p>Distribution draft reports to Ministers</p>	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- UNWOMEN</li> <li>- UNECA</li> <li>- STC Bureau Chairperson</li> </ul>		
16:45-17:00	Tea/Coffee Break and Networking		
17:00-18:00	Briefing of Ministers by their respective Experts		
18:30	End of Day 3		
<b>Day 4: Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019 (Venue AUC) : Adoption of the Beijing +25 review Report</b>			
08:00-08:30	Arrival and Registration		
08:30-09:30	<b>Opening Ceremony</b>  Opening Remarks: <b>Ms. Lehau Victoria Maloka</b> , Ag. Director, Women, Gender and Development Directorate (WGDD),AUC Opening Statement: <b>H.E Ms; Béatrice Lomeya Atilite</b> , State Minister, Minister of Gender, Family and Child, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), and Chairperson of the Bureau of the STC on Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment Welcome Remarks: <b>H.E. Ms Yalem Tsegay</b> , Minister Of Women, Children and Youth, Federal; Republic of Ethiopia Statement: <b>H.E. Amb. Antoine Chevrier</b> , Canada Statement: <b>H.E. Ms. Gertrude Mongela</b> , Beijing Veteran Statement: <b>H.E. Ms Anita Bhatia</b> , Deputy Executive Director , UNWOMEN Statement: <b>H.E. Ms. Vera Songwe</b> , Executive Secretary, UN ECA Key-note Address: <b>H.E. Mr. Mousa Faki Mahamat</b> , Chairperson, African Union Commission		<b>Chair:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson
9:30-10:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Group Photo</li> <li>- Tea/Coffee Break and Networking</li> </ul>	<b>Press Conference</b> <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AUC Chairperson</li> <li>• ECA Executive Secretary</li> <li>• UNWomen Deputy Executive Director</li> <li>• STC Bureau Chairperson</li> </ul>	
10:00-10:50	<b>Session 2: Introduction of the Beijing +25 Review process by Ministers</b>  <i>The objectives of this introductory Session are to:</i>		

	<p>- To present and adopt the agenda of the Beijing +25 review by Ministers          - Provide participants with relevant and up to date information on the Commission on the Status of Women and any recent developments in New York with regards to the organization of the Committee, the Bureau Members and some key messages to guide Africa's technical contribution to the final CSW64 Agreed Conclusions.</p> <p><b>Presenters:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- HE Ms; Béatrice Lomeya Atilite , STC Bureau Chairperson: Presentation and adoption of the Draft Agenda and Draft Work Programme</li> <li>- UN Women: Letty Chiwara, Representative to Ethiopia, AU and ECA: Understanding the Commission on the Status of Women and Expectations from Member States</li> </ul> <p><i>Plenary Session (Q&amp;A)</i></p> <p><b>Session Moderator: STC Chair</b></p>	
<p>10:50-13:00</p>	<p><b>Session 3: Consideration of the Experts' Report on the Beijing+25 Review Report</b></p> <p><i>This session aims to provide a brief overview of the Draft Beijing + 25 report developed by the Experts during the first two days of the Consultation</i></p> <p><u>Presenter:</u></p> <p><b>HE Mme Victoria Da Conceicao</b>, Minister of Social Welfare, Family and Women Empowerment, Angola and STC Bureau Rapporteur</p> <p><i>Plenary Session (Q&amp;A)</i></p> <p><b>Session Moderator:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson</p>	<p><b>Chair:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson</p>
<p>13:00- 14:00</p>	<p><b>Lunch Break and Networking Session</b></p>	
<p>14:00-16:00</p>	<p><b>Session 3: Closed Ministerial Discussion on the Beijing+25 Review Report</b></p> <p><i>In this session Ministers will have the opportunity to carefully review and agree on the content of the Draft Outcome Document</i></p> <p><u>Presenter:</u> <b>HE Mme Victoria Da Conceicao</b>, Minister of Social Welfare, Family and Women Empowerment, Angola and STC Bureau Rapporteur</p>	<p><b>Delegates from Civil Society, Youth and RECS participates in Side Events</b></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson</p>

	<p><u>Session Moderator:</u> STC Bureau Chairperson</p>		
16:00-16:30	<b>Tea/Coffee Break and Networking</b>		
16:30-17:15	<p><b>Session 4: Intergenerational discussion</b></p> <p><i>The aim of this session is to allow the youth who will be part of the regional consultation on Beijing+25 to have discussions on how they could take over the implementation of the BPfA and succeed where the international community has failed during the past 25 years. This will be an opportunity to raise awareness about the Generation Equality Forum, a global gathering for gender equality, convened by UN Women and co-chaired by France and Mexico, with the leadership and partnership of civil society, which will start in <b>Mexico City, Mexico</b>, between 7 and 8 May 2020 and followed by <b>Paris, France</b>, between 7 and 10 July, 2020.</i></p> <p><u>Panelists:</u>  UN Women: Fatou Lo, Country representative, Rwanda  Representative of the Youth  Representative of AUC</p> <p><b>Session Moderator:</b> Ms. Izeduwa Derex- Briggs (RD UN Women ESARO) (TBC)</p>	<p><b>Review and translation of the report</b></p>	
17:15-18:30	<b>Session 5: Adoption of the Beijing+25 Regional Report</b>		<b>Chair:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson
19:00- 21:00	<p align="center"><b>Dinner Launch of the AU Strategy on Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment</b>  H.E. Ms. Djeneba Diarra, Special Advisor to the AUC Deputy Chairperson</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Opening Remarks:</b> Ms. Lehau Victoria Maloka, Ag. Director, Women, Gender and Development Directorate, AUC</li> <li>2. <b>Statements:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- H.E.Ms. Vera Songwe: Executive Secretary, UNECA</li> </ul> </li> </ol>		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- H.E. Mr. Mousa Faki Mahamat, Chairperson, AUC</li> </ul> <p><b>3. Panel Discussion: Implementation of the GEWE Strategy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Lamin Momodou Manneh, Director, Regional Services Centre for Africa, UNDP</li> <li>- H.E. Ms Anita Bhatia: Deputy Executive Director, UN Women</li> <li>- Representative of Civil Society Organisation</li> <li>- Representative of JFA/JPA Partners</li> <li>- Representative of RECs</li> <li>- Member States: Ghana</li> </ul> <p>Dinner and Entertainment</p>	
<b>Day 5: Friday 1st November 2019 (Venue AUC): AUC Matters</b>		<b>Chair:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson
09:00 - 09:15	<p><b>Session 1: Opening</b></p> <p>Opening Remarks: HE Ms; Béatrice Lomeya Atilite, STC Bureau Chairperson</p>	
	<p><b>Session 2: Consideration and adoption of Experts reports on Draft Decisions on:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Solemn Declaration on Gender Equality in Africa (SDGEA)</li> <li>- SDGEA Online reporting system</li> <li>- Budget of the Women, Gender and Development Directorate and support to the Pan-African Women’s Organisation (PAWO)</li> </ul> <p><i>Presenter:</i> <b>HE Mme Victoria Da Conceicao</b>, STC Bureau Rapporteur</p>	
11:00 – 11:30	Tea/ Coffee Break	
11:30 – 13:30	<p><b>Session 2: Consideration and Adoption of Experts report on Briefings and Updates on:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AU Pan-African Women’s Awards</li> </ul>	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The AU Strategy for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment: (GEWE)</li> <li>- Coordination of AU Side Events at the 64<sup>th</sup> Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW64)</li> <li>- Advocacy missions for the ratification, domestication and implementation of the Maputo Protocol</li> <li>- African Women leaders network (AWLN) and African women leaders' Fund (AWLF)</li> <li>- African Women's Decade and Fund for African Women</li> <li>- Date, venue and Agenda of next STC</li> </ul>	
<b>13:00- 14:00</b>	<b>Lunch Break and Networking Session</b>	
<b>14:00 – 16:00</b>	<b>Session 3: Finalization and Translation of the STC Report</b> (Report Drafting and Translation Team only)	<b>Chair:</b> STC Bureau Chairperson
<b>16:00 – 17:30</b>	<b>Session 4: Presentation and adoption of the STC Ministerial Report</b>  Presentation of the draft Ministerial Report: H.E. Mme. Victoria Da Conceicao, STC Bureau Rapporteur Adoption of the Draft Ministerial Report	
<b>17:30-18:00</b>	<b>Closing Ceremony</b>  Remarks: <b>Ms. Lehou Victoria Maloka</b> , Ag. Director, WGDD Statement: <b>H.E. Amb. Fumio Shimizu</b> , Mission of Japan to the AU Statement: Women's Caucus, Pan-African Parliament Closing Remarks: <b>HE Ms; Béatrice Lomeya Atilite</b> , STC Bureau Chairperson Closing Statement: <b>H.E. Mme. Bineta Diop</b> , AU Special Envoy on Women, Peace and Security	