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DRAFT PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK

Theme: Unleashing Africa's potential as a pole of global growth

Monday 26 March

9.30-10.30 a.m. **Opening of the Conference**

Venue: **AUC Large Conference Room**

Chair: **H.E. Mr. Soulaymane Cissé**, *Minister of Planning of Guinea and Chairperson of the outgoing Bureau of the Conference*

Statements

- **Mr. Abdoulie Janneh**, *United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa*
- **H.E. Mr. Jean Ping**, *Chairperson of the African Union Commission*

Keynote address on the theme “Unleashing Africa's potential as a pole of global growth”

- **H.E. Mr. Meles Zenawi**, *Prime Minister of Ethiopia*

10.30 – 10.45 a.m. Coffee/tea break

10.45 – 11 a.m. **Election of the Bureau and adoption of the agenda and programme of work**

11 a.m. – 1.30 p.m. **PLENARY I**

High-level policy dialogue on the theme of the Conference: Unleashing Africa's potential as a pole of global growth

Venue: **AUC Large Conference Room**

Chair: **H.E. Dr. Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala**, Minister of Finance of Nigeria

Panellists:

1. **H. E. Mr. Pravin Gordhan**, *Minister of Finance of South Africa*
2. **H.E. Mr. Soulaymane Cissé**, *Minister of Planning of Guinea*
3. **Dr. Kanayo F. Nwanze**, *President, International Fund for Agricultural Development*
4. **Lord Boateng**, *former British Cabinet Minister*
5. **Dr. Frannie Léautier**, *Executive Secretary, African Capacity-Building Foundation*
6. **Alhaji Aliko Dangote**, *Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, the Dangote Group*
7. **Mr. J. S. Koroma**, **Chairman of Board, Union Trust Bank, Sierra Leone**

1.30 – 1.45 p.m. Special presentation by **H.E. Ambassador Walter Fust**, *Chairperson, African Innovation Foundation on Innovations for growth and development in Africa*

1.45 -3 p.m. Lunch break – Lunch hosted by the African Capacity-Building Foundation (by invitation)

3 – 4.30 p.m. **HIGH-LEVEL PARALLEL PANEL SESSIONS**

Session 1: Perspective study on Africa 2050

Venue: **Large Conference Room**

Co-Chairs: **H.E. Mr. Benjamin William Mkapa**, *former President of the United Republic of Tanzania and Co-Chair of the African Emerging Markets Forum*

H.E. Mr. Horst Köhler, *former President of Germany, former Head of the International Monetary Fund and Co-Chair of the African Emerging Markets Forum*

Panellists:

1. **H.E. Dr. Shamsudeen Usman**, *Minister of National Planning and Deputy Chairman of the National Planning Commission of Nigeria*
2. **H.E. Mr. Ahmed Lahlimi Alami**, *Haut Commissaire au plan, Morocco*
3. **Ms. Sheila Sisulu**, *Deputy Executive Director, World Food Programme*
4. **Mr. Essop Goolam Pahad**, *former Minister in the Presidency, South Africa, and Editor of The Thinker magazine*
5. **Mr. Kako Nubukpo**, *Professor of Economics, University of Lomé, Togo*
6. **Prof. Benjamin Turok**, *Founding Director, Pan-African Policy Research Institute for African Alternatives*
7. **Mr. Harinder Kohli**, *President and Chief Executive Officer of the Centennial Group International and Founding Director and Chief Executive of the Emerging Markets Forum*

Session 2: Eurozone crisis: impact and lessons for Africa

Venue: **Medium Conference Room**

Chair: **Mr. Perks Ligoya**, *Governor, Reserve Bank of Malawi*

Panellists:

1. **H. E. Mr. Pravin Gordhan**, *Minister of Finance of South Africa*
2. **H.E. Dr. Albert Mabri Toikeusse**, *Minister of State for Planning and Development Côte d'Ivoire*
3. **Mr. Mamadou Diop**, *Vice Governor, Central Bank of West African States*
4. **Prof. Njuguna Ndung'u**, *Governor, Central Bank of Kenya*
5. **Mr. Sanusi Lamido Sanusi**, *Governor, Central Bank of Nigeria*
6. **Mr. Abdoulaye Bio-Tchané**, *former President of the West African Development Bank*

Session 3: Post-MDGs African development agenda

Venue: **Conference Room 3**

Chair: **H.E. Mr. Maxwell Mkwezalamba**, *Commissioner for Economic Affairs, African Union Commission*

Panellists:

1. **H.E. Mr. Jameleddine Gharbi**, *Minister of Regional Development and Planning, Tunisia*
2. **H.E. Mr. Cheick Sidi Diarra**, *Special Adviser on Africa and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries and Small Island Developing States (OSAA/OHRLLS)*
3. **Mr. Charles Abugre**, *Deputy Director, United Nations Millennium Campaign, Africa*
4. **Mr. Zéphirin Diabré**, *former UNDP Associate Administrator*
5. **Mr. Jay Naidoo**, *former Minister in the Presidency, South Africa, Chair of the Partnership Council of the Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN)*
6. **Mr. Mario Pezzini**, *Director, Development Centre, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)*
7. **Mr. Robert Liebenthal**, *Development Economist and former Adviser, Africa Region, The World Bank*

4.30 – 4.45 p.m. Coffee/tea break

4.45 – 6.30 p.m. **PANEL SESSIONS (continued)**

6.30 p.m. **RECEPTION: Gala Dinner and Ceremony to award the 2012 Innovation Prize for Africa (by invitation)**

Venue: **Sheraton Addis**

Tuesday 27 March

9 – 11.30 a.m. **PLENARY II**

Special briefings on major development initiatives and reports from panel discussions

Venue: **AUC Large Conference Room**

Chair: **Chairperson of the Bureau of the Conference**

- 9 – 9.30 a.m. **Special briefings on major development initiatives**
- 9.30 – 11.30 a.m. **Reports from panel discussions**
- Presenters:**
1. *Co-Chair of Panel Session 1 on the Perspective study on Africa 2050*
 2. *Chairperson of Panel Session 2 on the Eurozone crisis: impact and lessons for Africa*
 3. *Chairperson of Panel Session 3 on the Post-MDGs African development agenda*
- 11.30 – 11.45 a.m. Coffee/tea break
- 11.45 a.m. – 12 noon **PLENARY III**
- Launch of the Economic Report on Africa, 2012**
- Venue:** **AUC Large Conference Room**
- Chair:** **Chairperson of the Bureau of the Conference**
- 12 noon – 1 p.m. **PLENARY IV**
- Follow-up to the decisions and outcome of the 2011 Joint Annual Meetings of the African Union and ECA Conferences of Ministers**
- Venue:** **AUC Large Conference Room**
- Chair:** **Chairperson of the Bureau of the Conference**
- 1 – 2:30 p.m. Lunch break
- 2.30 – 4 p.m. **PLENARY V**
- Consideration of the report and major recommendations of the meeting of the Committee of Experts of the Joint Annual Meetings of the AU Conference of Ministers of Economy and Finance and ECA Conference of Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development**
- 4 – 4:15 p.m. Coffee/tea break
- 4.15 – 5.45 p.m. **PLENARY VI**
- Consideration and adoption of the draft Ministerial Statement and draft resolutions**
- Venue:** **AUC Large Conference Room**
- Chair:** **Chairperson of the Bureau of the Conference**
- 5.45 – 6 p.m. **Any other business**

Venue: **AUC Large Conference Room**

Chair: **Chairperson of the Bureau of the Conference**

6 – 6.30 p.m.

CLOSING SESSION

Venue: **AUC Large Conference Room**

Chair: **Chairperson of the Bureau of the Conference**

Remarks:

- **H.E. Mr. Abdoulie Janneh**, *United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of ECA*
- **H.E. Mr. Jean Ping**, *Chairperson of AUC*

6.30 – 7 p.m.

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