



United Nations Economic Commission for Africa



African Continental Free Trade Area and fiscal
space for jobs and economic diversification

Fifty-first session of the Commission

Railway Rolling Stock Financing – A new solution for Africa

Addis Ababa, 13th May 2018

Provisional Seminar Programme

8.00am – 9.00am: *Arrival and Registration of Participants*

9.00am – 10.00am: *Opening Session Statements (10 minutes each)*

- *Opening Statement by NPCA CEO*
- *Opening Statement by AUC Commissioner of Infrastructure & Energy*
- *Opening Statement by Vice President, African Development Bank*
- *Keynote address by ECA's Executive Secretary*
- *A Statement from the Host Country (Ethiopia)*

10.00am – 10.20am: Coffee/Tea Break

10.20am – 10.50am:

*A presentation of AUC's African High Speed Railway Network Project (AHSRNP) -
Highlighting the implementation status and challenges (30 minutes)*

10.50am – 11.30am:

*Presentation by Rail Working Group Chairman, Howard Rosen, on Railway Rolling
Stock Financing – The Luxembourg Protocol: A new solution for Africa (40 minutes)*

11.30am – 12.30am:

Discussions/ Way Forward/ Resolution for the Ministerial Conference (60 minutes)