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Africa Ministerial Pre-Consultative Meeting on the Commission on the Status of Women Sixty First (CSW 61st) Session on the theme “*Women’s economic empowerment in the changing world of work*”

Venue: UN Economic Commission for Africa
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Dates: January 26-27, 2017

Work Programme - FINAL

Day One: 26 January 2017

8:30 am - 9:00am.	Registration of participants
9:00am – 10:00am.	<p>Official opening of the Africa Pre-CSW61 Consultative Meeting Moderator – Ms. Thokozile Ruzvidzo, Coordinator, African Centre for Gender- ECA</p> <p>Welcoming remarks by Dr. Abdalla Hamdok, Executive Secretary a.i., ECA</p> <p>Welcoming remarks by H.E. Demitu Hambisa Bonsa, Minister, Ministry of Women and Children Affairs – Ethiopia</p> <p>Statement by, Ms. Fatma Hassa, Vice Chair CSW61 Bureau, Egypt</p> <p>Statement by Dr. Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma, Chairperson African Union Commission</p> <p>Statement by Dr. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, Executive Director and UN Under Secretary General, UN Women</p> <p>Message of Solidarity by Invited Guest Mrs. Karen Ellemann, Minister for Equal Opportunities, Denmark</p>
10:00am – 11:00am.	<p>SESSION 1: UNDERSTANDING THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN AND EXPECTATIONS FROM MEMBER STATES CHAIR: Malawi as Chair of STC and Member of the CSW Committee</p>

The objective of this introductory Session, is to 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 organisation of the Committee, the Bureau Members and some key messages to guide Africa's technical contribution to the Final CSW61 Outcome Document.

Presentation: Briefing on the global Preparatory Process for the 61st Session of the CSW, Key Messages and Issues:

PRESENTER: Christine Brautigam, UN Women HQ

Plenary Discussion (Q and A)

MODERATOR: TBC

11:00am - 11:15am.	Group Photo (All Participants)
11:15am-11:45am	Coffee and Tea Break
11:45am. – 12.55pm	<p>SESSION 2: PRESENTATION OF DISCUSSION PAPERS ON KEY ISSUES AROUND WOMEN'S ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT IN THE CHANGING WORLD OF WORK IN AFRICA (Priority Theme for CSW61)</p> <p>CHAIR: Somalia</p> <p>PRESENTER: ECA-Africa Centre for Gender <i>In this session participants, will be provided with an outline of the key women's economic empowerment issues in the world of work in Africa, the opportunities, challenges and proposals for accelerating commitments on women in employment</i></p> <p>DISCUSSANTS: Ms Fatime Christiane Ndiaye, Gender Specialist, Decent Work Support Team (DWT), ILO <i>UNWOMEN Representative, Women and the Informal Sector</i></p> <p>Reactions from Select Countries Plenary Discussion (Q and A) MODERATOR: Swaziland</p> <p><i>The discussion should help to define a common understanding of the key gender equality issues in the changing world of work</i></p>
12:55p.m. – 1:00pm. Ethiopia	LOGISTICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS – By Letty Chiwara, UN WOMEN
1.00p.m. – 2.30.p.m.	Lunch break – for all Ministerial Working Lunch on “Trafficking in Women and Girls” – hosted by Zimbabwe

14:30pm-15:30pm.

SESSION 3: Plenary discussion on key issues arising from the discussion paper

CHAIR: Niger

In this session participants, will zero in on key issues arising from the discussion paper and provide recommendations.

MODERATOR: Uganda

Discussion question: Each key issue, one by one: what are the key challenges and what are the recommendations

3.30pm-4.00p.m.

Coffee and Tea Break

SESSION 4: Group Work

In this session, participants will be divided into five groups by Sub-regional block to further discuss and agree on the key issues and come up with their recommendations for the Priority Theme based on guiding questions to be provided by the organisers and informed by sessions 2 – 4. Each group will take the key issues agreed during the plenary session and deepen the analysis and sharpen their recommendations per issue

CHAIR: Democratic Republic of Congo

4.00pm-4.10pm

Introduction and instructions for regional block discussions

4.10pm-5.30pm

Group work

In the evening, at the end of group work, rapporteurs for each group will share their group discussions and recommendations with the chief rapporteur for consolidation and synthesizing the output from the regional block discussions

6.00p.m. – 7.30p.m.

RECEPTION/COCKTAIL: Offered by UN Women Executive Director and Launch of Africa Women Changing the Narrative Interactive Online Platform

Day Two: 27 January 2017

10:00 am.-11.00 am.

SESSION 5: Report back on synthesized groups discussions and recommendations

CHAIR: DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

In this session, one selected representative will present to the group, the synthesized issues and recommendations arising from the group discussions in Session 4.

11.00am-11.30am

Coffee and Tea Break

SESSION 6: MODERATED PLENARY DISCUSSION ON CHALLENGES AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS (from the CSW 58 Agreed conclusion)

CHAIR: TANZANIA

MODERATOR: NAMIBIA

11.30am-12.30pm

*In this session, participants will review progress on the implementation of the recommendations from Agreed Conclusions of CSW58 which is the review theme for CSW61 on the transition from MDGs to SDGs and how lessons learnt are informing planning for implementation of SDGs at country level. Select Member States will be identified to share their experiences in placing GEWE at the centre of SDGs planning and budgeting at country levels.
(Note: the session will be introduced by a short presentation by UN Women on the format of the review theme at CSW61)*

Proposed Member States to make Voluntary Presentations: **South Sudan, Morocco, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Zambia, Rwanda.**

NOTE: Each member state will be given a maximum of 3 minutes for their intervention.

12.30pm.-1.30p.m.

SESSION 7: PLENARY DISCUSSION TO BUILD CONSENSUS ON KEY MESSAGES FOR PRIORITY THEME FOR CSW61

CHAIR: Mali

In this session, participants will agree on key messages for Priority Theme for CSW61.

(Note: this session will be introduced by a short presentation by a Representative from the Drafting Team (Secretariat) – providing summary of the Africa Key Messages for CSW61.

MODERATOR: SOUTH AFRICA (TBC)

1.30p.m.- 3.00p.m.

Lunch break: (NOTE: A longer lunch break given to allow Delegates to Review Key Messages).

Ministerial Working Lunch on “Rapid Assessment of Funding Status of Gender Machineries”, Hosted by AUC Gender Directorate and UN Women. PRESENTER: Richard SSewakiryanga – Lead Consultant

3.00p.m.- 4.00p.m.

SESSION 8: STRATEGISING AND AGREEING ON ENSURING A “ONE AFRICA, ONE VOICE” AT CSW61 IN NEW YORK IN MARCH 2017.

CHAIR: LIBERIA

In this session, participants will discuss key issues around consensus building and unified approach and come up with key principles that will guide Africa’s engagement at CSW61 in New York. It will further allow African Ministers to strategize and agree on how Africa will be better coordinated to ensure consistency in messaging building on the Agreed Key Messages from the CSW61 Africa Consultative Meeting.

PRESENTATION: Statement from CSOs – BY GIMAC REPRESENTATIVE

Q&A and Plenary Discussion

MODERATORS: AUC-Women, Gender and Development Directorate (WGDD)

4.00pm-5.00p.m.
MESSAGES FOR CSW61

SESSION 9: PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF THE AFRICA KEY

CHAIR: LIBERIA

MODERATORS: AUC-Women, Gender and Development Directorate (WGDD)

5.00p.m.- 5.30p.m.

SESSION 10: CLOSING OF THE MEETING

CHAIR: Member of CSW 61 Bureau (Burkina Faso)

UNDP and UNECA

SPEAKERS: Chair of the Gender STC (Malawi), AUC, UN Women,

5.30p.m.

Coffee and tea break and End of Meeting