



PROGRAMME OF WORK

Assessing Regional Integration in Africa (ARIA) IX

Experts Group Meeting for the Review of the Draft Chapters on the Theme 'Next Steps for the African Continental Free Trade Area'

Venue: UN conference Centre, UNECA, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

ARIA IX Validation Workshop	
Friday, 16th November 2018	
08:45 – 09:00	Registration
09:00 – 09:30	Welcome and overview of the program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Luke (ECA) Opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stephen Karingi, Director Regional Integration and Trade Division (ECA) • Prudence Sebahizi, Head of AfCFTA Support Unit, Department of Trade and Industry (AUC) • Joy Kategekwa, Head, Regional Office for Africa (UNCTAD)
09:30 – 11:15	Ch5 Investment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview presentation of Investment Chapter • Chapter review and critique Presenter: Martin Kohout (ECA) / Hamed El Kady (UNCTAD) Chair: Joy Kategekwa (UNCTAD)
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 13:00	Ch5 Investment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter review and critique (continued) Chair: Million Habt (AUC)
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch break
14:30 – 15:45	Ch6 Intellectual Property Rights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview presentation of IPR Chapter • Chapter review and critique Presenter: Caroline Ncube (University of Cape Town) Chair: Laura Paez Heredia (ECA)
15:45 – 16:00	Coffee break
16:00 – 17:30	Ch6 Intellectual Property Rights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter review and critique (continued) Chair: Melaku Desta (ECA)
Saturday, 17th November 2018	
09:00 – 11:15	Ch7 Competition

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview presentation of Competition Chapter • Chapter review and critique <p>Presenter: Caroline Ncube (University of Cape Town) Chair: Joy Kategekwa (UNCTAD)</p>
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 13:00	Ch7 Competition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter review and critique (continued) <p>Chair: Beatrice Chaytor (AUC)</p>
13:00	Lunch and meeting closed
Monday, 19th November 2018	
09:00 – 11:15	Ch8 E-Commerce <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview presentation of E-commerce Chapter • Chapter review and critique <p>Presenter: Ify (ECA) / Martine Kidane (UNCTAD) Chair: David Luke (ECA)</p>
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 13:00	Ch1 Status of Regional Integration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview presentation of Status of Regional Integration Chapter • Chapter review and critique <p>Presenter: Francis Ikome (ECA) Chair: Jamie MacLeod (ECA)</p> Ch2 State of Play on the AfCFTA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview presentation of State of Play Chapter • Chapter review and critique <p>Presenter: Jamie MacLeod (ECA) Chair: Million Habt (AUC)</p>
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch break
14:30 – 15:45	Ch3 Taking full advantage of the AfCFTA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview presentation of Taking full advantage of the AfCFTA Chapter • Chapter review and critique <p>Presenter: Joy Kategekwa (UNCTAD) Chair: David Luke (ECA)</p>
15:45 – 16:00	Coffee break
16:00 – 17:15	Ch4 The AfCFTA – Internal and External Challenges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview presentation of Internal and External Challenges Chapter • Chapter review and critique <p>Presenter: Melaku Desta (ECA) and Guillaume Gerout (ECA) Chair: Joy Kategekwa (UNCTAD)</p>
17:15 – 17:30	Thanks to participants and way ahead David Luke (ECA)
17:30	Meeting closed