



**North Africa Development Forum**  
**North Africa and the Continental Free Trade Agreements**

**Rabat, 29-30 October 2015**

**Draft programme of work**

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<b>Wednesday 28 October 2015</b>	
<b>9h - 9h30</b> <b>Opening ceremony</b>	
Address of the UMA Secretary General Address of the General Secretary of the UME (Maghreb Businessmen Union) Address of the ECA-NA Director by interim Address of the Economic and Social Council President	Habib Ben Yahia XXXXXXXXX Nassim Oulmane Nizar Baraka
<b>09h30 - 10h30</b> <b>Keynote speech</b> The Maghreb and its participation to free trade areas : opportunities for the UMA free trade zone Presentation of the objectives and proceedings of the meeting	Habib Ben Yahia Ochozias GBAGUIDI
<b>10h30-11h00 Coffee break</b>	

<b>11h-13h</b>	
<b>Session 1. The Continental free trade area</b>	
<b>The continental free trade process</b>	Mr. Abdoul Kane, expert
<b>Background : BIAT/CFTA in North Africa</b>	Kouider Lahoual, UMA
<b>Expected effects of the continental free trade area and opportunities for North Africa</b>	Nassim Oulmane, Director by interim
<b>13h-15h Lunch break</b>	
<b>15h-16h30</b>	
<b>Session 2. Toward trade acceleration between North Africa and West Africa</b>	
Cooperation and sharing experiences between North Africa and the WAEMU	Mrs. Mariétou C AMEGNIZIN Economist at the RCC- WAEMU
Sub-Saharan African countries experience in economic partnership agreements : prospects for the Maghreb Africa cooperation	Traore Abdramane University of Bamako
Diversification of the Algerian exports towards Africa: challenges and opportunities	Zoubir Benhamouche ECA
<b>16h30-16h45 Coffee break</b>	
<b>16h45-17h15</b>	
Free discussion between journalists and participants	
<b>Thursday 29 October 2015</b>	
<b>9h-10h30</b>	
<b>Session 3. Financial sector in Africa : a "Bottom Up" regional integration strategy</b>	
The role of African banks in the acceleration of trade in Africa	Dhafer Saidane
Change policies and the African regional integration	Nabil Jedlane
"Pan-Africanism in the banking sector : a contribution to the regional integration and free trade "	Attijari or BMCE or Banque populaire
<b>10h30-11h- Coffee break</b>	

<b>11H-13h</b>	
<b>Session 4. Trade facilitation, multilateralism, regionalism and the private sector</b>	
The WTO agreement on trade facilitation and its importance to the exporting capacity of the Maghreb businesses	Bernoussi Khalid
International transport and trade facilitation in North Africa	Nabil Boubrahimi
<b>13h-15h Lunch break</b>	
<b>15h-16h30 :</b>	
<b>Session 5. Round table : private sector university Dialogue</b>	
<b>What interactions to support the regional integration and accelerate intra-African trade</b>	
What reference space for the integration of the Mediterranean economies ?	Pr. Jean-Louis Reiffers FEMISE
Banking supervision and financial stability in the Euro-Mediterranean countries " <a href="mailto:Jean-Luc.QUEMARD@banque-france.fr">Jean-Luc.QUEMARD@banque-france.fr</a>	Mr. Jean-Luc Quémard Banque de France
Financial aspects of the integration : example of the North African countries "	Pr. Sami Mouley (ESSEC Tunis)
<b>16h-16h15 : Coffee break</b>	
<b>16h15-17h-00</b>	
<b>Closure of the meeting</b>	