



Sub-Regional Office for West Africa

**Twenty-second Session of the Intergovernmental Committee of Senior officials and Experts
(22nd ICE)**

Republic of Liberia
Farmington Hotel-Robertsfield
Margibi County
May 8-10, 2019

**Demographic Dynamics for Sustainable Development in West Africa: Challenges and Policy
Measures**

DRAFT PROGRAMME OF WORK



WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2019

- 08:30 – 09:00 Registration of participants
- 09:00 – 09:45 Opening Ceremony (Agenda item 1)
- Traditional Welcome by Liberia Cultural Ambassador
 - Address by the Director of the Sub-Regional Office of the ECA for West Africa.
 - Address by the Resident Coordinator of the United Nations System in Liberia.
 - Speech by the outgoing President of the 21st Session of the ICE
 - Opening speech by the Minister of Finance and Development Planning of Liberia
 - Group picture
- 09:45 – 10:00 *Coffee break*
- 10:00 – 10:15 Election of the Bureau (Agenda item 2)
- 10:15 – 10:30 Adoption of the agenda and the programme of meeting (Agenda item 3)
- 10:30 – 11:15 Social and economic development in Africa and in the world in 2018 and the outlook in 2019 for West African economies (Agenda item 4)
- Issues and challenges
- 11:15 – 11:45 Consideration of the statutory reports (Agenda item 5)
- Report on the implementation of the Programme of Work of the ECA SRO-WA in 2018 and outlook for 2019
- 11:45 – 12:30 Consideration of the statutory reports (cont'd)
- Report on the implementation of SDG in West Africa
- 12:30 – 2:00 **Lunch break**
- 02:00 -03:00 Communications on the work of ECA at continental level (Agenda item 6)
- 03:00 – 03:15 *Coffee-break*
- 03:15 – 04:15 Special session on regional integration (Agenda item 7)- Presentation or open discussion, where applicable
- ECOWAS

- WAEMU
- Information from other IGOs

Thursday, May 9, 2019

09:00 - 10:45 Round Table: *“Demographic Dynamics for Sustainable Development in West Africa: Challenges and Policy Measures”* (Agenda Item 8)

Moderator : Mr Bakary Dosso, O.I.C ECA WA

Panélistes :

Dr Fatima Siga Jagne, Commissioner, Social Affairs and gender, ECOWAS Commission,

Dr Leticia Appiah, Executive Director NPC, Ghana

Dr Sanja Fanira, Ministry of Budget and Development Planning, Nigéria

Oumy Ndiaye, Ministry of Economy and International Cooperation, Sénégal

Mr Mainassara Assouman, Général Director in charge of du Planning, Ministry of Planning, Niger.

Pr Latif Dramani, Coordinator CREG/CREFAT

10:45 - 11:00 **Coffee break**

11:00 - 12:00 Dialogue on the STEPS profile of Liberia (Agenda item 9)

12:00 - 04:15 **Coffee break**

04:15 - 06:00 Preparation of the final communiqué of the ICE by the Secretariat and administrative issues for the Delegates (continuation and conclusion)

Friday, May 10, 2019

09:00 - 10:00 Review and adoption of the recommendations of the Experts' Group Meeting on “National capacities and mechanisms for evaluating progress in the implementation of the Sustainable Development agenda and agenda 2063: State of play, challenges and prospects in West Africa” (Agenda item 10)

10:00-11:00 Review and adoption of the ICE Report and Recommendations (Agenda item 11)
Date and place of the next ICE Meeting (Agenda item 12)
Miscellaneous (Agenda item 13)

11:00 – 11:30 Closing ceremony (Agenda item 14)

- Address by the Director of the Bureau
- Closing speech by the host country - Minister of Finance & Development Planning, Republic of Liberia

11:30 - 12:00 Cultural Performance by Liberia Cultural Ambassador & the Crusaders for Peace

12:00 - 01:00 Lunch break

01:00 – 01:30 Free session