



Sub-Regional Office for West Africa

Twenty-Second Session of the Intergovernmental Committee of Senior officials and Experts
(22nd ICE)
Robertsfield (Liberia)
8 to 10 May 2019

Theme: “Demographic Dynamics for Sustainable Development in West Africa: Challenges and Policy Measures”

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening ceremony
2. Election of the Bureau
3. Adoption of the Agenda and the Programme of Work
4. Social and economic development in Africa and in the world in 2018 and the outlook in 2019 for West African economies (*Preliminary session*)
5. Review of statutory reports
 - a. Report on the implementation of the ECA SRO-WA Programme of Work for 2018 and the programme of work for 2019
 - b. Report on the implementation of the Sustainable Development Objectives (SDGs)
6. Presentations on the continental initiatives of the ECA
7. Special session: Regional integration
8. Round table: “*Demographic Dynamics for Sustainable Development in West Africa: Challenges and Policy Measures*”
9. Dialogue on the STEPS profile of Liberia
10. Review and adoption of the recommendations of the Expert Group Meeting on “National capacities and mechanisms for evaluating progress in the implementation of the Sustainable Development agenda and agenda 2063: status, challenges and prospects in West Africa”
11. Review and adoption of the ICE Recommendations and Report
12. Date and place of the next ICE Meeting
13. Miscellaneous
14. Closure of the Meeting



ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening Session

The 22nd Meeting of the Intergovernmental Committee of Senior officials and Experts (ICE) will begin proceedings on Wednesday, 8 May 2019 at 9:00 am at the Farmington Hotel in Robertsfield. Speeches will be made on this occasion.

2. Election of the Bureau

The outgoing President will invite the Committee to elect the new Bureau, composed of a Chairperson, a Vice-Chairperson and a Rapporteur.

3. Adoption of the Agenda and the Programme of Work

The Committee will be invited to adopt the Agenda and Programme of Work of the Meeting.

4. Social and economic development in Africa and in the world in 2018 and the outlook in 2019 for West African economies (*Preliminary session*)

ECA will share with the experts of West Africa (including Africa and World) Economics Majors trend for 2018 and 2019 outlook.

5. Review of statutory reports

a. Report on the implementation of the ECA SRO-WA Programme of Work for 2018 and the programme of work for 2019

The ECA will report to the Committee on the achievements of the Office during the period July 2018 to May 2019.

b. Report on the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

The Secretariat will report to the Committee on the implementation of the Sustainable Development Agenda. The report will present progress in some indicators associated with the 2030 targets of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

6. Presentations on the continental initiatives of the ECA

The Secretariat will make a presentation on the activities of the ECA at the continental level during the year. This presentation will be made for information purposes.

7. Special sessions Regional Integration: Update from Regional Economic Communities and IGOs

The Regional Economic Communities that express the need and the IGOs will be called upon to make presentations during this session. This session may also be expanded to include the Member States with a view to informing the Committee on certain initiatives that promote integration or that could encourage exchanges of experience.



8. Round table: « Demographic Dynamics for Sustainable Development in West Africa: Challenges and Policy Measures »

A round table discussion on “-*Demographic Dynamics for Sustainable Development in West Africa: Challenges and Policy Measures*” will be moderated by invited experts and delegates from Member States. The Secretariat will present a paper that will be followed by those of the invited experts. Discussions may lead to recommendations by the Committee.

9. Dialogue on the STEPS profile of Liberia

The Secretariat will make a presentation on the Liberia STEPS profile. This session will be open to the media.

10. 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: Status, challenges and prospects in West Africa”

The Committee will be informed of the conclusions and recommendations of the experts' meeting on “National capacities and mechanisms for evaluating progress in the implementation of the Sustainable Development agenda and agenda 2063: Status, challenges and prospects in West Africa”, which will be submitted for approval.

11. Review and adoption of the ICE Recommendations and Report

The Committee will review and adopt the conclusions and recommendations of the 22nd Session of the ICE as well as the report on the meeting.

12. Date and place of the next ICE Meeting

The Committee will decide on the date and place of its 23rd meeting.

13. Miscellaneous

The Committee will consider, as appropriate, the issues raised by participants.

14. Closure of the Meeting

After reviewing the items on the Agenda, the President will declare the 22nd Meeting of the ICE closed.