



**Preparatory Meeting of Experts for the Fourth Conference
of African Ministers Responsible for Civil Registration**
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4-6 December 2017

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Programme of work

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“Accelerating a coordinated improvement of civil registration and vital statistics for implementation and monitoring of the development agenda in Africa: Review of progress and the way forward”



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Vital Statistics in Africa
2017-2026**



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Monday, 4 December, 2017

<i>Time</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Responsible</i>
8:30-9:00 a.m.	Registration	
9-10 a.m.	Session I: Opening session	
9:00-9:30 a.m.	Welcoming remarks by Mr. Lufumpa, Charles Leyeka, AfDB Mr. Oliver Chinganya, Director African Center for Statistics, UNECA Prof. Victor Harrison, Commissioner for Economic Affairs, AUC H.E Ahmedou Ould Abdallah, Ministre de l'integration de la decentralization	
9:30-9:45 a.m.	Election of the Bureau	African Union Commission
9:45-9:55 a.m.	Adoption of the agenda and programme of work	Chair of the Bureau
9:55-10:00 a.m.	Objectives of the Meeting	African Union Commission
10:00-10:30 a.m.	Coffee break	
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Session II: Civil registration and vital statistics: an imperative for the implementation of the Agenda 2063 and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development	
10:30-10:40 a.m.	Civil registration and vital statistics for monitoring the progress made in the implementation of the 2030 for Sustainable Development and Agenda 2063	African Union Commission, Economic Commission for Africa
10:40-10:50 a.m.	Civil registration, Health and Development Agenda	World Health Organization (WHO)
10:50-11:00 am	Civil registration and vital statistics and the demographic dividend	Expert from South Africa
11:00-11:30 a.m.	Discussion	
11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	Session III: Civil Registration and Vital Statistics as a foundational system for good governance	
11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	Birth registration as opportunity to integrate civil registration and identity management systems Panel discussion	World Bank, UNICEF, Mauritania, Mauritius, Namibia, Zambia
12:15-1:00 p.m.	Civil registration and vital statistics and population movement Panel discussion	African Union Commission, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Central African Republic , Cote d'Ivoire, Kenya, Mauritania

1:00-1:30 p.m.	Discussion	
1:30-3:00 p.m.	Lunch break	
3:00-5:30 p.m.	Session IV: Reviewing progress, implementation challenges and the strategic plan of the Africa Programme for Accelerated Improvement of Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (APAI-CRVS)	
3:00-3:15 p.m.	Review of the progress against the ministerial declarations	African Union Commission
3:15-3:30 p.m.	Report on the status of civil registration and vital statistics in Africa: Outcome of the APAI-CRVS monitoring	Economic Commission for Africa
3:30-4:00 p.m.	Discussion	
4:00-4:30 p.m.	Coffee break	
4:30-5:00 p.m.	APAI-CRVS strategic plan for the period 2017-2021	African Development Bank, Economic Commission for Africa
5:00-5.30 p.m.	Discussion	

Tuesday, 5 December, 2017

<i>Time</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Responsible</i>
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Session V: Towards the accelerated improvement in civil registration and vital statistics systems in African countries: challenges in their implementation (Parallel Sessions)	
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Discussions in groups	
	Parallel session 1	
	A. Moving from plan to implementation	United Nations Children's Fund, African Development Bank, Burundi, Ethiopia, Mozambique
	Parallel session 2	
	B. Improving mortality statistics and cause of death recording and its linkages to CRVS systems in Africa	World Health Organization, Egypt, Kenya, Mali, Mozambique, South Africa
	C. Innovation and civil registration and vital statistics digitization	Plan International, Data for Health (D4H), Ghana, Kenya, Senegal, Uganda
	Parallel session 3	
	D. Global Financing Facility and World Bank Support for Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in Africa	World Bank/ Global Financing Facility Cameroon, Ethiopia, Liberia, Uganda
	E. Vital statistics from civil registration records	Economic Commission for Africa, United Nations Population

		Fund, Statistics Norway, Expert from South Africa, Egypt, Botswana, Kenya
	Parallel session 4	
	F. Civil registration in the context of conflict and emergencies	UNICEF, Centre of Excellence, UNHCR, Expert from Jordan , Plan International, Statistics Norway, South Sudan, Niger, Sierra Leone, Cote d'Ivoire, Uganda
12:00-1:30 p.m.	Lunch break	
1:30-2:30 p.m.	Preparation of the reports	Rapporteurs of the groups
2:30-3:00 p.m.	Coffee break	
3:00-4:00 p.m.	Report back from the groups to the plenary	Rapporteurs of the groups
4:00-5:00 p.m.	Discussion	
7:00-9:00 p.m.	Gala dinner	

Wednesday, 6 December, 2017

<i>Time</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Responsible</i>
9:00-10:00 a.m.	Session VI: Setting up of Commission of Registrars-General	
9:00-9:30 a.m.	Commission of Registrars-General: Rationale and Terms of Reference	Task force on the establishment of the Commission of Registrars General (Zimbabwe, Zambia, Namibia, Tunisia and Cameroon) , Economic Commission for Africa
9:30-10:00 a.m.	Discussion	
10:00-10:30a.m	Session VII: Introducing the global Civil registration and vital statistics e-learning course	
10:00-10:30a.m	Employing the state of the art CRVS e-learning course modules to enhance capacity in Africa and Awards	World Bank
10:30-11:00 a.m.	Coffee Break	
11:00-12: 00 a.m.	Session VIII: Leveraging partnerships in civil registration and vital statistics systems improvement initiatives	
11:00-11.30 a.m.	Leveraging partnerships in civil registration and vital statistics systems improvement initiatives panel discussion	African Union Commission, African Development Bank, Economic Commission for Africa, United Nations Children's

		Fund, World Health organization, Global Financing Facility in support of Every Woman, every Child
11:30-11:50 a.m.	Discussion	
11:50-12:00pm	Host Country Invitation	IDEMIA, Canadian Bank Note
12:00-3:00 p.m.	Lunch break	
3:00 -4:00 p.m.	Session IX: Conclusions and recommendations	
3:00-3:15 p.m.	Presentation of the consolidated expert group meeting report	Rapporteur of the Bureau
3:15-4:00 p.m.	Discussion	
4:00-4:15 p.m.	Session X Closing Ceremony	
4:00-4:15 p.m.	Closure of the Meeting: Closing remarks	Chair of the Bureau
4:15 p.m.-onwards	Country delegates from the expert group meeting brief their ministers	

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