



**Preparatory Meeting of Experts for the Fourth Conference
of African Ministers Responsible for Civil Registration
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**Decade for Repositioning
of Civil Registration and
Vital Statistics in Africa
2017-2026**



Monday, 4 December

<i>Time</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Responsible</i>
8.30-9 a.m.	Registration	
9-10 a.m.	Session I: Opening session	
9-9.30 a.m.	Welcoming remarks by host country Opening statement by the African Union Commission	Host country Africa Programme for Accelerated Improvement of Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Systems secretariat
9.30-9.35 a.m.	Election of the Bureau	African Union Commission
9.35-9.45 a.m.	Adoption of the agenda and programme of work	Chair of the Bureau
9.45-10 a.m.	Objectives of the Meeting	African Union Commission
10-10.30 a.m.	Coffee break	
10.30-11.30 a.m.	Session II: Civil registration and vital statistics: an imperative for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Agenda 2063	
10.30-10.40 a.m.	Civil registration and vital statistics for monitoring the progress made in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063	African Union Commission, Economic Commission for Africa
10.440-10:50 a.m.	Civil registration and health and Development Agenda	WHO
10.50-11:00	Civil registration and vital statistics and the demographic dividend	African Union Commission, United Nations Population Fund
11-11.30 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, Mauritius, Namibia Zambia, Mauritania, Sao Tomé and Principe
12.15-1 p.m.	Civil registration and vital statistics and population movement	African Union Commission, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, International Organization for Migration, Kenya, Ethiopia, Cote d'Ivoire, Tunisia
1-1.30 p.m.	Discussion	

1.30-3 p.m.	Lunch break	
3-5.30 p.m.	Session IV: Reviewing progress, implementation challenges and the strategic plan of APAI-CRVS	
3-3.15 p.m.	Review of the progress against the ministerial declarations	African Union Commission, Economic Commission for Africa
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 p.m.	Discussion	
4-4.30 p.m.	Coffee break	
4.30-5 p.m.	APAI-CRVS strategic plan for the period 2017-2021	African Development Bank, Economic Commission for Africa
5-5.30 p.m.	Discussion	

Tuesday, 5 December

<i>Time</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Responsible</i>
9 a.m.-6 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 a.m.-12 p.m.	Discussions in groups	
	Parallel session 1	
	A. Moving from plan to implementation	United Nations Children's Fund, African Development Bank, 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, Cabo Verde, Kenya, Mali
	C. Innovation and civil registration and vital statistics digitization	Plan International, D4Health, Ghana, Rwanda, Uganda, Tanzania, South Africa, Morocco
	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, Tanzania, Liberia
	E. Vital statistics from civil registration records	Economic Commission for Africa, United Nations Population Fund, Stats Norway,

		Egypt, Namibia/ Botswana, Kenya,
	Parallel session 4	
	F. Civil registration in the context of conflict and emergencies	United Nations Children's Fund, UNHCR, CoE, South Sudan, Niger, Central African Republic, Sierra Leone, Cote d'Ivoire, Uganda
12-1.30 p.m.	Lunch break	
1.30-2.30 p.m.	Preparation of the reports	
2.30-3 p.m.	Coffee break	
3-4 p.m.	Report back from the groups to the plenary	Rapporteurs of the groups
4-5 p.m.	Discussion	
7-9 p.m.	Gala dinner	

Wednesday, 6 December

<i>Time</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Responsible</i>
9-10 a.m.	Session VI: Setting up of Commission of Registrars-General	
9-9.30 a.m.	Commission of Registrars-General: Rationale and mechanism	Task force on the establishment of the Commission of Registrars General (Zimbabwe, Zambia, Tunisia and Cameroon)
9.30-10 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	World Bank
10:30-11: 30 a.m.	Session VIII: Leveraging partnerships in civil registration and vital statistics systems improvement initiatives	
10:30-11.00 a.m.	Leveraging partnerships in civil registration and vital statistics systems improvement initiatives (panel discussion)	Economic Commission for Africa, African Union Commission, African Development Bank, United Nations Children's Fund, World Health organization, Global Financing Facility in support of Every Woman, every Child, IDEMIA, CBN
11.00-11:30 a.m.	Discussion	
11:30-11.45 a.m.	Coffee break	
11.45 a.m.-12.30p.m.	Session IX: Conclusions and recommendations	
11:45 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.	Preparation of the expert meeting	
12.30-12.45 p.m.	Presentation of the consolidated expert group meeting report	Rapporteur of the Bureau
12.45-1:15 p.m.	Discussion	
1:15-1.30 p.m.	Closure of the Meeting: Closing remarks by the Chair	Chair of the Bureau
1.30-2.45 p.m.	Lunch break	
2.45 p.m.-onwards	Country delegates from the expert group meeting brief their ministers	