Provisional programme of work

Theme: 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
Thursday, 7 December 2017

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| 9:00-10:00 am | Opening statements:  
(a) Welcoming remarks from the host country;  
(b) Statements:  
(i) President of the African Development Bank;  
(ii) Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa;  
(iii) Outgoing Chair of the Conference (Côte d’Ivoire);  
(iv) Chair of the African Union Commission |                                                                             |
| 10:00-10:20 am| Group photograph                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                             |
| **10:20-10:50**| **Coffee break**                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                             |
| 10:50-11:00 am| Election of the Bureau                                                                                                                                                                                        | African Union Commission                                                   |
| 11:00-11:05 am| Adoption of the agenda and programme of work                                                                                                                                                                | Chair of the Bureau                                                        |
| 11:05-11:30 am| e-Learning Award                                                                                                                                                                                             | World Bank                                                                 |
| **11:30 am-1:00 pm**| **Session I: Civil registration and vital statistics: an imperative for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Agenda 2063**                                                        |                                                                             |
| 11:30-12:00 pm| Civil registration and vital statistics and population movement  
Panel discussion  
Moderator: Mr. Rafik Chelly | UNHCR; Algeria, Chad, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania                     |
| 12:00-12:30 pm| Improving mortality statistics and cause of death recording and its linkages to CRVS systems in Africa (panel discussion)  
Moderator: Mr. Buchizya Mseteka | World Health Organization; Egypt, Mali, Namibia                              |
| 12:30-1:00 pm | Discussion                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                             |
| **1:00-3:00 pm**| **Lunch break**                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                             |
| **3:00-4:00 pm**| **Session II: Reviewing progress of the Africa Programme for Accelerated Improvement of Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Systems (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 APAI-CRVS monitoring                                                                                                                                 | Economic Commission for Africa                               |
| 3:30-5:00 p.m. | Discussion                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                             |
| **7-9 pm** | **Gala dinner**                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                             |
### Session III: Towards the accelerated improvement in civil registration and vital statistics systems in African countries: issues and challenges in their implementation

8:30-10:30 am

**Panel discussion**

Moderator: Mr. Buchizya Mseteka

Mauritania, Zambia

### Session IV: APAI-CRVS strategic plan for the period 2017-2021

11:00-11:15 am

**The APAI-CRVS five-year strategic plan (2017-2021) and the funding for the first half of the civil registration and vital statistics decade (2017-2026)**

Panel discussion

Moderator: Mr. Rafik Chelly

Economic Commission for Africa, African Development Bank, African Union Commission

### Session V: Statements by partners

11:15-11:30 am

Discussion

### Session VI: Presentation of the draft conclusions and recommendations from the Meeting of Experts

3:30-4:00 pm

**Consideration of the report**

Chair of the Bureau of the Meeting of Experts

### Session VII: Ministerial Declaration

4:00-5:00 pm

**Consideration of the Declaration**

Chair of the Bureau of the Meeting of Experts

**Discussion and adoption of the Ministerial Declaration and report**

Chair of the Bureau of the Meeting of Experts

### Session VIII: Closing of the Conference

5:00-5:30 pm

**Vote of thanks**

Member States

**Closing remarks**

Host country, African Union Commission

5:30 pm

**Refreshments**