



## COMMEMORATION OF AFRICA INTEGRATION DAY

1<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> July 2020

PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

TIME	WEBINAR	SESSION DETAILS	FOCAL PERSON
<b>WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2020</b>			
14:00 – 14:05	<b>Launch of Commemoration for Africa Integration Day 2020</b>	Opening by H.E. Moussa Faki Mahamat, Chairperson of the AU Commission	Mr. Jean Bertrand-Azapmo <a href="mailto:AzapmoJ@africa-union.org">AzapmoJ@africa-union.org</a>
14:10 - 15:30	<b>Panel Discussion: Status of regional integration in Africa: preliminary findings of the 2020 Report</b>	<p><b>Welcome/Opening Remarks:</b> H.E. Prof. Victor Harison, Commissioner for Economic Affairs, AUC</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Mr. Jean Denis Gabikini, Ag. Director Economic Affairs Department, AUC</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Christopher H. Onyango, Director of Trade and Customs, COMESA</li> <li>• Prof. Djénéba Traoré, Director General, West Africa Institute (WAI)</li> <li>• Mr. Dennis Karera, Vice Chair, East Africa Business Council (EABC) and focal Point on the AfCFTA, Rwanda</li> <li>• Dr. Babatunde Idowu, Senior Officer, Bureau of the Chairperson of ECOWAS</li> <li>• Mr. Hobby Simuchile, Directorate of Policy, Planning &amp; Resource Mobilisation (PPRM), SADC</li> <li>• Prof. Wanyama Masinde, Expert in Regional Integration</li> </ul>	Mr. Islam Swaleh: <a href="mailto:SwalehI@africa-union.org">SwalehI@africa-union.org</a>
15:35 – 17:35	<b>Panel Discussion: COVID19: the road ahead for African trade, economic integration and growth</b>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Stephen Karingi, UNECA</p> <p><b>Proposed Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Mr. Wamkele Mene, Secretary General, AfCFTA Secretariat</li> <li>• Prof. Benedict Oramah, President and Chairman of the Board of Directors, Afreximbank</li> <li>• Dr. Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary General, UNCTAD</li> <li>• H.E. Dr. Vera Songwe, Executive Secretary, UNECA</li> <li>• H.E. Chileshe Mpundu Kapwepwe, Secretary General COMESA</li> <li>• Mr. Paolo Gomes, AfroChampions</li> </ul>	Dr. Oswald Chinyamakobvu: <a href="mailto:ChinyamakobvuO@africa-union.org">ChinyamakobvuO@africa-union.org</a>

THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JULY 2020

<p>13:00 – 14:45</p>	<p><b>Panel Discussion: Importance of AU Financial Institutions</b></p>	<p><b>Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E Prof. Victor Harison, Commissioner for Economic Affairs, AUC</li> <li>• Dr Edoh Kossi Amenounve, CEO of Bourse Regionale des Valeurs Mobilieres (BRVM) and Present of ASEA</li> <li>• Mr. John Rwangombwa, National Bank of Rwanda, Chairperson of the AACB</li> <li>• Minister of Finance of Chad and Chair of F15</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Exchange on Recovery and structural transformation policies for a resilient economy</u></b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Minister of Finance of Ghana</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• South Africa Minister of Finance</li> <li>• Central Bank Governor</li> <li>• Manufacturers Association</li> <li>• Phosphate Maroc</li> <li>• Representative from Ecobank</li> <li>• Representative from Pan-African Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>• Tarik Senhaji, CEO, Casablanca Stock Exchange (CSE)</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Exchange on Accentuate the mobilization of internal resources to guarantee the development and economic independence of Africa</u></b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Mr. Sunil Benimadhu, CEO, Stock Exchange of Mauritius</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minister of Finance of Nigeria</li> <li>• Governor, Central Bank of Egypt</li> <li>• Ms. Leila Fourie, CEO, Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE)</li> <li>• Standard Bank/ African Development Bank</li> <li>• Petroleum Company Nigeria or Angola</li> <li>• Mining company in South Africa</li> <li>• Representative from Tourism Industry</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Islam Swaleh: <a href="mailto:SwalehI@africa-union.org">SwalehI@africa-union.org</a></p>
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15 Minute Break			
15:00 – 15:45	<b>Introduction to the MANSAs Platform: Africa’s Due Diligence Data Platform</b>	<p><b>Opening Remarks:</b> Ms Maureen Mba, Afreximbank</p> <p><b>Introduction to MANSAs:</b> 5-minute video presentation</p> <p><b>Walk-through of MANSAs Repository Platform:</b> Mr Emeka Uzoigwe, Afreximbank</p> <p><b>Q&amp;A</b></p>	Mr. Yusuf Daya <a href="mailto:ydaya@afreximbank.com">ydaya@afreximbank.com</a>
15 Minute Break			
16:00 – 17:45	<b>Panel Discussion: Cross Border Payment Systems to unlock the benefits of the AfCFTA: The Pan-African Payment and Settlement System as continent-wide solution</b>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Mr. Mark Eddo, Consultant, UNDP (TBC)</p> <p><b>PAPSS Demo:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr Emeka Uzoigwe, Afreximbank</li> </ul> <p><b>Speakers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prof. Kelfala M. Kallon, Central Bank Governor of Sierra Leone and Chair of the Committee of Governors for WAMZ</li> <li>Dr. Ngozi Egbuna, Director General, West African Monetary Institute</li> <li>Eng. Mansur Ahmed, Pan-African Manufacturers Association (TBC)</li> <li>Mr. Mahmood Mansoor, Executive Secretary, COMESA Clearing House</li> <li>Ms. Maxine Hlaba, Executive Secretary, SADC Banking Association (tbc)</li> <li>Dr. Robert Ochola, Director of Strategy and Innovation, Afreximbank</li> </ul>	Mr. Yusuf Daya <a href="mailto:ydaya@afreximbank.com">ydaya@afreximbank.com</a>
15 Minute Break			
18:00 – 20:00	<b>Panel Discussion: Role of Economic Zones in supporting</b>	<p><b>Opening Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>H.E. Amb. Albert M. Muchanga, AU Commissioner for Trade and Industry</li> </ul>	Ms. Farah Hanafi: <a href="mailto:f.hanafi@africaeconomiczones.com">f.hanafi@africaeconomiczones.com</a>

	<b>African Trade and Business Integration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Ahmed Bennis, Secretary General, Africa Economic Zones Organization (AEZO)</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Cynthia Gnassingbe Essonam, Secretary General, Togo Invest Corporation</li> </ul> <p><b>Panelists</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Edlam Abera Yemeru, Chief, Urbanization Section, UNECA</li> <li>Ms. Mena Hassan, Trade Policy Analyst, WTO</li> <li>Ms. Terfa Ashwa, International Trade Consultant, ITC</li> <li>Mr. Michael Schmidt, Investment and Technology Promotion Expert, UNIDO</li> <li>Mr. Poul Hansen, Chief of Trade Facilitation Section, UNCTAD</li> <li>Mr. Gokhan Akinci, Technical Lead, IFC Advisory, Services: EFI VPU, IFC   World Bank Group</li> </ul>	
<b>FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JULY 2020</b>			
13:00 – 14:15	<b>Panel Discussion: Gender, Inclusion &amp; Accountability</b>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Crystal Simeoni, FEMNET</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Representative from COMESA</li> <li>Representative from Streenet</li> <li>Representative from UNWomen</li> <li>Representative from AUC</li> </ul>	Ms. Beatrice Chaytor: <a href="mailto:ChaytorB@africa-union.org">ChaytorB@africa-union.org</a>
14:30 – 16:15	<b>Intergenerational Discussion: The role of young people in accelerating Africa's integration through the AfCFTA</b>	<p><b>Welcoming Remarks:</b> H.E Prof. Sarah Anyang Agbor, Commissioner for HRST, AUC (TBC)</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Aya Chebbi, AU Youth Envoy</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Roslyn Ng'eno, AfCFTA Unit, AUC</li> <li>Mr. Moctar Sane, Youth Peace Ambassador</li> <li>Ms. Aramide Abe, Founder, Naija Startups</li> <li>Mr Thobo Khathola, Founder, Lion Tutoring</li> <li>Mr. Gildas Tsambo, AfCFTA Unit, AUC</li> <li>Ms. Assia Meghfor, Industrialisation Unit, AUDA-NEPAD</li> </ul>	Ms. Mahoule Kpako: <a href="mailto:KpakoM@africa-union.org">KpakoM@africa-union.org</a>  Ms. Bame Modungwa <a href="mailto:Modungwab@africa-union.org">Modungwab@africa-union.org</a>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Paola Audrey Nedngue, Founder, Panelle Agency &amp; Company</li> </ul> <p><b>Closing Remarks and Next Steps:</b> H.E. Albert M. Muchanga, AU Commissioner for Trade and Industry</p>	
16:30 - 19:30	<b>The Grand Debates: Inclusion, Innovation &amp; Integration</b>	<p><b><u>Inclusion: to stop growing inequity, Africa must first heal its past</u></b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Isha Seesay  <b>Debaters:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Professor Lumumba</li> <li>Professor Akyeampong</li> </ol> <p><b><u>Innovation: "To win at Science &amp; Technology, we must Africanize their essence"</u></b></p> <p><b>Debaters:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>H.E. Prof. Sarah Anyang Agbor, AU Commissioner for HRST</li> <li>Professor Manal Al-Sayed</li> <li>Mr. Craig Wing</li> </ol> <p><b><u>Integration: "Bridging institutions matter more than building infrastructure in uniting Africa."</u></b></p> <p><b>Debaters:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Ibrahim Cheick Diong</li> <li>Dr. Frannie Leautier</li> </ol> <p><b>Special Guests Discussion: (Former Presidents)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>H.E. Olusegun Obasanjo, Former President of Nigeria</li> <li>H.E. Ellen Sirleaf-Johnson, Former President of Liberia</li> <li>H.E. Hailemariam Desalegn, Former Prime Minister of Ethiopia</li> <li>H.E. Thabo Mbeki, Former President of South Africa</li> <li>H.E. Raila Odinga, Former Prime Minister of Kenya</li> <li>H.E. Ameenah Gurib-Fakim, Former President of Mauritius</li> <li>H.E. Amb. Thomas Kwesi Quartey, AU Deputy Chairperson</li> </ul>	Ms. Sophie Masipa: <a href="mailto:mas.sophie@gmail.com">mas.sophie@gmail.com</a>

**SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2020**

<p>11:00 – 12:45</p>	<p><b>The role and contribution of agriculture to Africa’s integration</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Godfrey Bahigwa, Director, Department of Rural Economy and Agriculture, AUC</p> <p><b>Opening Remarks:</b> H.E. Amb. Josefa Sacko, AU Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture</p> <p><b>Panelists</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Martin Muchero, Regional Agricultural Policy (RAP) Technical Coordinator, SADC</li> <li>• Mr. Alain Sy Traore, Director, Agriculture and Rural Development, ECOWAS</li> <li>• Dr. Kenneth Bagamuhunda, Director General, Customs and Trade, EAC</li> <li>• Dr. Abebe Haile Gabriel, Assistant Director-General, Regional Representative for Africa, FAO</li> <li>• Dr. Martin Fregene, Director of Agriculture &amp; Agro-industry, African Development Bank</li> <li>• Mr. Amine Idris Adoum, Director, Programme Management and Delivery - AUDA-NEPAD</li> <li>• Dr. Yemi Akinbamijo, Executive Director, Forum for Agricultural Research</li> </ul>	<p>Ms. Diana Akullo Oyena: <a href="mailto:AkulloD@africa-union.org">AkulloD@africa-union.org</a></p>
<p><b>15 Minute Break</b></p>			
<p>13:00 – 14:45</p>	<p><b>Africa Future Scenarios</b></p>	<p><b><u>Africa Future Scenarios</u></b></p> <p><i>A. 2030 - Common Currency</i></p> <p><i>B. 2040 - Standing Army</i></p> <p><i>C. 2050 - Common Official Language</i></p> <p><i>D. 2060 - Common President + Parliament</i></p> <p><b>Special Guests</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Raila Odinga, Former Prime Minister of Kenya</li> <li>• H.E. Tei Konzi, ECOWAS Commissioner for Free Movement, Trade and Customs</li> <li>• Ms. Ahunna Eziakonwa, Regional Director for Africa, UNDP</li> <li>• Dr. Ngalula Sandrine Mubenga, University of Toledo</li> </ul>	<p>Ms. Sophie Masipa: <a href="mailto:mas.sophie@gmail.com">mas.sophie@gmail.com</a></p>

		<b>Debate on Africa's Future</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr Samba Bathily, Founder, ADS Group</li> <li>• Ms. Fatoumata Ba, Managing Partner, JANNGO Capital</li> <li>• Ms. Sara Menker, CEO, Gro Intelligence</li> <li>• Dr. Nkosana Moyo, President, APA Zimbabwe</li> <li>• Dr. Momar Dieng, Policy Advisor</li> <li>• Dr. Solomon Assefa, Vice President, IBM Research</li> <li>• Dr. Landry Signe, Professor, Stanford University</li> </ul>	
<b>15 Minute Break</b>			
15:00 – 17:00	<b>Leveraging the AfCFTA for Africa's development: Lessons from COVID-19 experience</b>	<b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Trudi Hartzenberg, Executive Director, Trade Law Centre (tralac)  <b>Keynote Speaker:</b> H.E. Mr. Wamkele Mene, Secretary General, AfCFTA Secretariat  <b>Panelists</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. David Luke, Director, African Trade Policy Centre, UNECA</li> <li>• Mr. Jason Blackman, Senior Director, Customs, Trade Compliance and Regulatory Affairs, DHL Express - Sub Saharan Africa</li> <li>• Mr. Etiyel Chibira, Senior Manager, Cross-Border Road Transport Agency, South Africa</li> <li>• Mr. Wilfried Deudjui Mbouwe, Cameroon National Shippers' Council</li> <li>• Mr. Ahmed Bennis, General Secretary, Africa Economic Zones Organisation</li> </ul>	Ms. Trudi Hartzenberg: <a href="mailto:Trudi@tralac.org">Trudi@tralac.org</a>  Talkmore Chidede <a href="mailto:Talkmore@tralac.org">Talkmore@tralac.org</a>
<b>SUNDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2020</b>			
11:00 – 12:30	<b>Showcase Day of Essential Innovation Design Accelerator</b>	<b>Special Guest:</b> H.E. Catherine Samba-Panza  <b>Moderator for Showcase:</b> Mr. Mark Eddo <u><b>Reinventing African Storytelling (Short clips from RIVAS studygroup)</b></u>  <b>Conversation</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ms. Deborah Ahenkorah</li> <li>2. Ms. Ifeoma Dike</li> </ol>	Ms. Sophie Masipa: <a href="mailto:mas.sophie@gmail.com">mas.sophie@gmail.com</a>



<p>12:30 – 14:00</p> <p>14:00 – 15:00</p> <p>16:00 – 18:00</p>		<p>3. Mr. Herman Chinery- Hesse 4. Mr. Jide Martins</p> <p>Showdance Interlude - WAN</p> <p><b><u>Reinventing African Storytelling</u></b> <b>Conversation (Talents)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ms. Adama Ndiaye, Adama Paris</li> <li>2. Mrs. Vania Leles, Founder, Vanleles</li> <li>3. Mr. Djimon Hounsou, Actor (TBC)</li> <li>4. Mr. Mohombi Nzasi Moupondo, Artist (TBC)</li> </ol> <p><b><u>CNBC Financing and Innovation panel- Paying It Forward</u></b> <b>Panel discussion</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mr. Aliaume Damala Badara Akon Thiam, Akon City</li> <li>2. Ms. Fatoumata Ba, Managing Partner, JANNGO Capital</li> <li>3. Mr. Paolo Gomes, Afreximbank</li> </ol> <p><b><u>Innovation, Finance and Technology</u></b> <b>Special Guest:</b> H.E. Amb. Albert M. Muchanga, AU Commissioner for Trade and Industry</p> <p><b>Conversation:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mr. Amadou Gallo, National Basketball Association Africa</li> <li>2. Mr. Ahmed Bennis, General Secretary, Africa Economic Zones Organisation</li> <li>3. Mr. Jaswinder (Jas) Bedi, Chairman, African Cotton &amp; Textile Industries Federation (ACTIF)</li> <li>4. Mrs. Juliet Anammah, Chairperson, JUMIA Nigeria</li> </ol>	
<b>MONDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2020</b>			
<p>11:00 – 12:45</p>	<p><b>Africa Energy Sector Transition</b></p>	<p><b><u>An Integration for transforming energy and resource sharing for the continent, by creating a domestic market for oil products and Natural Gas, and Energy efficiency policies &amp; regulations</u></b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Ndahafa Nakwafila, African Energy Commission (AFREC)</p>	<p>Mrs. Ndahafa Nakwafila: <a href="mailto:NakwafilaN@africa-union.org">NakwafilaN@africa-union.org</a></p>

		<p><b>Presentation:</b> Mr. Rashid Ali Abdallah, Executive Director, African Energy Commission</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Mr. Wamkele Mene, Secretary General, AfCFTA Secretariat</li> <li>• Mr. Cheick Bedda, Director of Infrastructure and Energy, AUC</li> <li>• Mr. Youba Sokona, Senior Adviser, South Centre</li> <li>• Mr. Paul Kellett, UN Environment, U4E</li> <li>• Mr. Fred Kabanda, Division Manager-Extractives, African Development Bank</li> <li>• Mr. Charles Nyirahuku: Chief Gas Office, African Development Bank</li> </ul>	
<b>15 Minute Break</b>			
13:00 – 14:45	<b>The role of RECs in the formulation and implementation of COVID-19 regional exit strategies</b>	<p><b>Welcome Remarks:</b> Dr. Stephen Karingi, Director, Regional Integration, Infrastructure and Trade Division, UNECA</p> <p><b>Overview of the programme: Francis Ikome</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Stephen Karingi</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Representative of SADC</li> <li>▪ Representative of EAC</li> <li>▪ Representative of ECOWAS</li> <li>▪ Representative of ECCAS</li> <li>▪ Representative of COMESA</li> <li>▪ Representative of IGAD</li> <li>▪ Representative from CEN-SAD</li> <li>▪ Representative from AMU</li> </ul>	Mr. Emmanuel Chinyama, <a href="mailto:chinyama@un.org">chinyama@un.org</a>
<b>15 Minute Break</b>			
15:00 – 16:45	<b>Re-booting Africa Industrialization to generate national wealth and create Jobs in pursuit of</b>	<p><b>Welcome/Opening Remarks:</b> Dr. Ibrahim Mayaki, CEO, AUDA-NEPAD</p> <p><b>Remarks:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome/Opening Remarks: Dr Ibrahim Mayaki, CEO, AUDA-NEPAD</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Martin Bwalyam: <a href="mailto:bwalyam@nepad.org">bwalyam@nepad.org</a></p> <p>Mrs. Ron Osman Omar, <a href="mailto:OmarR@africa-union.org">OmarR@africa-union.org</a></p>

	<b>AFCFTA and Africa Integration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keynote Remarks: H.E. Albert Muchanga, Commissioner, AUC-DTI</li> <li>• Keynote Remarks: H.E Mr. LI Yong, Director General, UNIDO</li> <li>• Keynote Remarks: H.E. Mr. Mallam Zaneidou Amirou, Ministry of Industry, Niger</li> </ul> <p><b>Panel Interventions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms Providence Mavubi, Director of Industry and Agriculture of COMESA</li> <li>• Professor Landry Signé, Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution &amp; Full Professor &amp; Co-Director at the Thunderbird School of Global Management</li> <li>• Eng Mansur Ahmed, President, Interim Steering Committee, Pan-African Manufacturers Association</li> <li>• Dr Elsie S. Kanza, Head of Africa and Member of Executive Committee, World Economic Forum</li> <li>• Treasure Maphanga, Ae-Trade Group</li> <li>• Mr Moubarack Lo, Director General, The Economic Foresight Bureau, Dakar, Senegal</li> </ul>	
<b>15 Minute Break</b>			
17:00 – 18:30	<b>Role of the African Diaspora in Harnessing AfCFTA in the context of COVID-19 for Healthy, Prosperous and Peaceful Africa (TBC)</b>	TBC	AU Permanent Mission to the UN – New York
<b>TUESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY</b>			
11:00 – 11:30	<b>AID Joint Statement</b>	<p>Joint Statement by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Mr. Cyril Ramaphosa, President of the Republic of South Africa, Chairperson of the African Union</li> <li>• H.E. Mr. Mahamadou Issoufou, President of the Republic of Niger and Champion of the AfCFTA;</li> <li>• H.E. Mr. Moussa Faki Mahamat, Chairperson of the AU Commission</li> </ul>	Mr. Prudence Sebahizi, <a href="mailto:SebahiziP@africa-union.org">SebahiziP@africa-union.org</a>

14:00 – 14:45	<b>Rolling-out of The AfCFTA Online Non-Tariff Barriers Monitoring, Reporting and Elimination Mechanism</b>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Oswald Chinyamakobvu, AfCFTA Support Unit, AUC</p> <p><b>Remarks:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Mr. Wamkele Mene, Secretary General, AfCFTA Secretariat</li> <li>• Dr. Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary General, UNCTAD</li> </ul> <p><b>Demonstration of the AfCFTA NTB Online Mechanism</b></p> <p><b>Reactions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Tulo Makwati, Coordinator, SADC Business Council</li> <li>• Ms. Fatoumata Fofana, AfCFTA Negotiator, Cote D'Ivoire</li> <li>• Mr. Geoffrey Osoro, Trade Policy Advisory, EAC</li> </ul> <p><b>Q&amp;A</b></p>	<p>Dr. Oswald Chinyamakobvu: <a href="mailto:ChinyamakobvuO@africa-union.org">ChinyamakobvuO@africa-union.org</a></p> <p>Ms Kuena Molapo: <a href="mailto:Kuena.molapo@unctad.org">Kuena.molapo@unctad.org</a></p>
<b>15 Minute Break</b>			
15:00 – 16:00	<b>Launch of The Continental Competition For Youth Start Ups</b>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Mrs. Treasure Maphanga, Director of AeTrade Group</p> <p><b>Welcoming Remarks:</b> H.E. Amb. Albert M. Muchanga, AU Commissioner for Trade and Industry</p> <p><b>Keynote Address:</b> H.E. Mr. Alpha Conde, President of the Republic of Guinea</p> <p><b>Statements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prof. Benedict O. Oramah Statement, President of Afreximbank</li> <li>• H.E.Mr. Hailemariam Desalegn, Former Prime Minister of Ethiopia</li> <li>• Mrs. Tomi Odunsi Fadina, CEO, CGT Media Company</li> <li>• Mr. Amhed Elsewedy, President and CEO of Elsewedy Electric</li> </ul> <p><b>Official Launch:</b> H.E.Mr. Mahamadou Issoufou, President of the Republic of Niger and Champion of the AfCFTA</p>	<p>Dr. Amany Asfour, <a href="mailto:asfour2712@yahoo.com">asfour2712@yahoo.com</a></p> <p>Mrs. Ron Osman Omar <a href="mailto:Omarr@africa-union.org">Omarr@africa-union.org</a></p>

16:00 – 16:45	<b>Launch of the African E-Commerce Platform</b>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Amany Asfour, International President of Business and Professional Women International, Chair of Trade Promotion Committee of COMESA Business Council (CBC)</p> <p><b>Welcoming Remarks:</b> H.E.Amb. Albert M. Muchanga, AU Commissioner for Trade and Industry</p> <p><b>Presentation of the AeTrade Platform:</b> Mr. Muluaem Syoum, CEO and Chairman of the Board, AeTrade Group</p> <p><b>Keynote:</b> His Majesty King Mswati III, Chairperson of the Presidential Advisory Council</p> <p><b>Official Launch:</b> H.E. Mr. Cyril Ramaphosa, President of the Republic of South Africa, Chairperson of the African Union</p>	<p>Dr. Amany Asfour, <a href="mailto:asfour2712@yahoo.com">asfour2712@yahoo.com</a> Mrs. Ron Osman Omar <a href="mailto:Omarr@africa-union.org">Omarr@africa-union.org</a></p>
<b>15 Minute Break</b>			
17:00 – 17:45	<b>Presentation of Prizes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Africa Future Scenarios Debate</li> <li>• Africa Creative Arts Challenge Competition</li> </ul>	<p>Ms. Sophie Masipa: <a href="mailto:mas.sophie@gmail.com">mas.sophie@gmail.com</a></p>
<b>15 Minute Break</b>			
18:00 – 18:30	<b>Press Briefing</b>	<p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Mr. Wamkele Mene, Secretary General, AfCFTA Secretariat</li> <li>• H.E. Amb. Albert M. Muchanga, AU Commissioner for Trade and Industry</li> <li>• Prof. Victor Harison, Commissioner for Economic Affairs, AUC</li> <li>• Representative from the Regional Economic Communities (tbc)</li> <li>• Embassy of South Africa in Addis Ababa and Permanent Mission to the AU</li> <li>• Representative from the African Private Sector</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Patient Atcho, <a href="mailto:AtchoP@africa-union.org">AtchoP@africa-union.org</a></p>