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### ***Warmest Greetings!***

The African Union Commission (AU Commission) is proud to partner with the African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank) and the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt in organizing the First Intra-African Trade Fair (IATF2018) at the Egypt International Exhibition Center in Cairo, from December 11 to 17 2018. This important event is in line with the recommendations of the Boosting Intra-African Trade (BIAT) Action Plan adopted by AU Heads of State and Government in January 2012. The IATF2018 is also one of the tangible deliverables of the Agreement Establishing the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) signed on March 21, 2018 in Kigali, Rwanda, which is one of the flagship projects of Agenda 2063: The Africa We Want, and an important milestone in the regional integration process as envisaged under the Abuja Treaty of 1991 for the Establishment of the African Economic Community.

The IATF, which is expected to become a biennial rendez-vous, will bring together leading continental and global business enterprises to showcase and exhibit their goods and services whilst simultaneously providing business leaders with a platform to explore business and investment opportunities in Africa. It is anticipated that the 2018 IATF will attract 1000 exhibitors from the five RECs, draw 4000 buyers, and more than 70,000 visitors, buyers and sellers, generating in excess of \$25 billion in trade deals. The IATF will have three segments: Exhibition, Conference and a Virtual Trade Fair.

During the exhibition, the Commission will deploy the AU Pavilion where visitors will have the opportunity to discover trade and trade-related programmes that the various Departments, Specialized institutions and Agencies are deploying on the ground to support Africa's structural transformation agenda.

With respect to the Conference segment, the Commission will also be organizing High Level Panel Discussions and Workshops on thematic areas such as regional value chains, standards,



e-commerce, movement of business travelers, trade and economic infrastructure. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and interact with African leaders, world leaders, business leaders and policy makers as well as large, medium and small enterprises.

The IATF2018 is going to be truly a Pan-African celebration of intra-African trade dynamism supported by a vibrant Pan-African Private Sector that works hand in hand with African Governments to win the fight against corruption and achieve Africa's Transformation! We invite you to be part of it and look forward to warmly welcoming you to the AU Pavilion.

I Thank You!

**H.E. Mr. Moussa Faki Mahamat**  
**Chairperson**  
**African Union**  
**Commission**

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# AFRICAN CONTINENTAL FREE TRADE AREA

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The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) mandate is to contribute towards making Africa a significant and competitive industrial and trading partner in the global economy as well as an integrated trading bloc within the continent with the ultimate objective being to increase employment and wealth, and contribute towards sustainable growth and development.

DTI works to achieve the African Union goal of boosting intra-African trade, through establishment of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) a flagship project of Agenda 2063 and to ensure Africa's competitiveness through the implementation of key strategies and initiatives such as the Accelerated Industrialization of Africa (AIDA) and the Africa Mining Vision (AMV), with a view to contributing to the realization of the objectives of Agenda 2063: the Africa We Want, and enhancing Africa's integration in the global economy.

### Major Trade-Related Programmes

The Department is working on the development of the African Union Commodities Strategy (a flagship project of Agenda 2063), the African Union Trade Facilitation Strategy and the SMEs Development Strategy. The Department has three divisions, namely: Trade, Industry, and Customs Cooperation.

In addition to coordinating the negotiations for the AfCFTA and the implementation of BIAT, DTI is currently leading a number of trade and trade-related programmes that will contribute to foster private sector development on the continent. These include: establishment of Africa Enterprise Network and the establishment of Trade Observatory by the Trade Division; the implementation of AIDA and AMV.

### At the IATF2018, DTI will organize the following main events:

- The launch of the Pan-African Manufacturers' Association, on the 11 December 2018 from 14:00 to 15:30hrs;

- African Union Ministers of Trade (AMOT) Meeting on the **12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2018;**
- High Level Panel Discussions on *Harnessing the power of e-commerce to promote intra-African Trade* on the 13<sup>th</sup> December 2018 from **11:15 to 13:00hrs** and *Building Africa's Manufacturing Capacities on the Shoulders of SMEs- Opportunities for Export Trading Companies* on the **13<sup>th</sup> December 2018** from **14:00 to 15:15hrs;** and
- *Workshop on Harmonization of Trade Standards to Facilitate intra-African trade in the context of the AfCFTA* on **15<sup>th</sup> December 2018** from **14:00 to 15:15hrs.**

The Department of Trade and Industry looks forward to welcoming you at the AU Pavilion at IATF 2018, where you will discover some of its most recent publications.

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The Department of Economic Affairs (DEA) of the African Union Commission is mandated to initiate and promote policies and strategies aimed at strengthening coordination and harmonizing continental initiatives in regards to economic integration and regional cooperation development. The Department also promotes the work of the AU in the area of private sector development and engagement.

### Major Trade-related Programmes

The Department of Economic Affairs promotes the implementation of flagship Agenda 2063 projects related to private sector engagement namely the African Economic Platform (AEP) and economic integration through the Pan-African Financial institutions which are namely the African Investment Bank, the Pan African Stock Exchange, the African Monetary Fund and the African Central Bank.

DEA is currently working with AU Member States to sensitize and popularize the importance of signing and ratifying the texts establishing the Pan-African Financial Institutions. The establishment of these Financial Institutions will not only strengthen Africa's sovereignty but also increase its resilience and enhance its financial self-sufficiency which is needed to support the African Continental Free Trade Area AfCFTA.

To accompany the AfCFTA and further support intra-African trade, the Department is currently championing three key initiatives with a strong private sector component:

- Public and Private sector dialogues and high level business forum with development partners to promote cooperation and coordination amongst different stakeholders such as the African Union-European Union Business forum, the Turkey –African Union Economic Forum, Arab-African Union Business forum; and the African Union –Indian Business Council.
- Capacity building for African Youth and women entrepreneurs through targeted training and mentorship programs that equips them with new innovative entrepreneurship

ideas and skills (Financial, Management, Marketing, Communication and Networking) which; and

- Development of the Pan African Investment Code (PAIC), which provides a continental policy framework for the attraction and retention of investments in Africa through a coherent and comprehensive approach so as to address the issues of sustainable and inclusive development in Africa through the lens of a private sector-led development.

### DEA at the IATF2018

During the IATF2018, experts from the Department will share their knowledge and expertise during the High Level Panel Discussion on *“Trade Finance Solutions to promote Intra-African Trade”*, on the **12<sup>th</sup> December 14:00 - 15:00hrs.**

In light of the above, the Department of Economic Affairs will welcome all delegates & partners at the African Union Pavilion, where they will also have an opportunity to discover some of our latest publications, including the recently published 2017 Trade Statistics Yearbook.

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## Popularization of the Free Movement of Persons & Trade in Africa

The notion of Free Movement of Persons in Africa is set out in the Abuja Treaty endorsed in 1991 at the Establishment of the African Economic Community. The African Union adopted a Protocol to the Treaty Establishing the African Economic Community Relating to Free Movement of Persons, Right of Residence and Right of Establishment in a January 2018 African Union (AU) Summit held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia following a series of member states negotiations in different platforms.

The Free movement of persons is central to the integration of the Continent and cannot be separated from other regional integration initiatives such as economic integration and common policies on trade for services and goods, co-operation and security and allows for movement for labour.

Therefore, popularization of Protocol on Free Movement of Persons in Africa and facilitating trade is imperative and the IATF 2018 provides a suitable platform to raise awareness to Member States and AUC partners.

As such, this Protocol recognises the contribution to building achievements of the regional economic communities and free movement of persons, allowing for Pan Africanism and enhancing development in science and technology, education, research, intra-Africa trade and facilitation of settlement of migrants and ultimately allowing for affirmation of an African Identity. Free Movement of Persons is:

- Guided by principles of non-discrimination, transparency and the respect for laws and policies on the protection of national security, public order, public health, environment; and any other factors that would be detrimental to the host State;
- One of the people-centered AU initiatives and will directly affect ordinary people's lives since it applies directly to citizens' movements; and
- Likely to unlock the Continent's economic potential as the freedom to travel, trade goods or services across the continent will

boost economic integration. However, this requires the political will and commitment from all the African countries to guarantee its effective implementation.

Therefore, popularization of Protocol on Free Movement of Persons, Right of Residence and Right of Establishment in Africa is imperative as it will facilitate. The IATF 2018 provides a suitable platform to raise awareness to Member States and AUC partners.

### DPA at the IATF2018

During the IATF 2018, Experts from the Department and partners will also share their knowledge and expertise during the following:

- *Satellite Session/Panel Discussions on, "Popularization of the Free Movement Protocol – enhancing Intra African Trade 14:00 to 16:00hrs on 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2018;* and
- *Pavilion/Exhibition at the Intra African Trade Fair – Showcasing Emerging good practices in Free Movement of Persons in Africa, from 11<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> December 2018.*

In light of the above, the Department of Political Affairs will welcome all delegates & partners at the African Union Pavilion.

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### Responding to CAADP Malabo Commitment on boosting intra Africa trade in agricultural commodities and services

The Department of Rural Economy and Agriculture (DREA) leads the African Union's efforts to promote sustainable environmental management and agricultural development by boosting member states' rural economy development and agricultural transformation by supporting the adoption of measures, strategies, policies and programmes on agriculture.

The AU's focus on agriculture as an engine for economic growth and sustainable development is reinforced by the Malabo Declaration on Accelerated

Agricultural Growth and Transformation for Shared prosperity and Improved Livelihoods (Assembly/AU/Decl.1(XXIII)) and the AU Agenda 2063 both of which recognize the pivotal role of the agricultural sector in the transformation of African economies.

DREA leads the promotion and implementation of Agenda 2063 Continental Frameworks related to sustainable agriculture development such as the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP which aims to help African countries eliminate hunger and reduce poverty by raising economic growth through agriculture-led development as well as promoting increased national budget provision to the agriculture sector.

Through CAADP, African governments are expected to increased investment level in agriculture by allocating at least 10% of national budgets to agriculture and rural development, and to achieve agricultural growth rates of at least 6% per annum.

DREA oversees the work of key technical offices such as: the Pan African Veterinary Vaccine Centre (PANVAC); Semi-Arid Food Grain Research and Development (SAFGRAD), Inter-African Bureau for, Animal Resources (IBAR) and the Pan African Tsetse and Trypanosomiasis Eradication Campaign (PATTEC).

Promotion of trade and investment in agricultural commodities and livestock and vaccines and creating an African livestock markets contributes significantly to Africa's societal needs and welfare through agriculture, food and non-food products, including tourism, and other environmental services. On average, livestock alone contributes between 30%-50% of the national agricultural GDP.

### DREA at the IATF 2018

DREA will hold a Panel Discussion on *"Enhancing investment in the Agriculture sector and Agriculture trade commodities, with a focus on Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) compliance;"*  
**15th December, 2018; 14:00 - 16:00hrs.**

DREA's strategic publications including on taking advantage of the flexibility provided for in the WTO Agreement on Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property (TRIPS) and a Video on Food Safety in Africa will be respectively displayed and aired at the AU Pavilion from **11<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

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The Department of Infrastructure and Energy is responsible for overseeing infrastructure development and operational efficiency in the sectors of Energy, Transport, Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) and Tourism at the African Union Commission. Its main goal is: "Achieving Integrated infrastructure of energy, transport, ICT and tourism that is safe, reliable, efficient and affordable, capable of promoting regional and continental integration as well as sustainable development of the Continent". The Department's major responsibilities include policy and regulatory frameworks development and harmonization, technical and financial resources mobilization, advocacy and consensus building amongst all African stakeholders, capacity building and training as well as strategy and action plans development for Member States.

Presently, (IED) is working on several programmes that will facilitate trade and markets development at the national, regional and continental levels in the transport, energy and ICT sectors. Some of the key programmes include:

- **Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA)**, which aims to facilitate economic and social integration on the African continent through the creation of continental and regional markets.
- **Single Africa Air Transport Market (SAATM)**: it aims to develop a single harmonized continental air transport market that will facilitate the efficient movement of people and goods across the continent thus boosting intra-African trade. The implementation of SAATM has the potential to create 200,000 direct jobs for youths and induce several thousand jobs in the tourism industry.
- **SMART Corridors programme**, which aims to address inefficiencies in African Regional Transport Infrastructure network corridors, which costs the continent about US\$75 billion US dollar per year, thus reducing African countries' intraregional and international competitiveness.
- **Harmonisation of Regulatory Frameworks in the African Electricity Sector and Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) initiatives to**

**facilitate trade:** Several initiatives and programmes are being implemented that aims to create an enabling environment to boost trade and market competitiveness by using ICT technologies. Some of the key focus areas of the Department include: (1) Cyber-security; (2) e-Governance; (3) e-Commerce; and (4) Postal sector development.

### DEA at the IATF 2018

During the IATF2018 the Department will organize a Session on "The Role of Energy, Transport and ICT Infrastructure in supporting Intra-African Trade and Industrialization", in collaboration with the NEPAD Planning and Coordinating Agency (NPCA) and GIZ on the 14 December (11:00-16:30hrs). The Session will discuss strategies, framework and financing initiatives to facilitate implementation of infrastructure projects in Africa in the energy, transport and ICT sectors which are crucial for boosting intra-African trade.

The Department looks forward to warmly welcoming you at the AU Pavilion where you will also have an opportunity to discover some of our ongoing projects on the ground and latest publications.

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## THE NEW PARTNERSHIP FOR AFRICA'S DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (NEPAD)

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The New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) Agency NEPAD was officially adopted by the AU in 2002 as the primary mechanism to coordinate the pace and impact of Africa's development in the 21st century. Its primary objective is to provide a new mechanism, spearheaded by African leaders, to: eradicate poverty; place African countries, both individually and collectively, on a path of sustainable growth and development; halt the marginalization of Africa in the globalization process; accelerate the empowerment of women; and fully integrate Africa into the global economy.

NEPAD serves as the African Union's development agency and implementing body of Agenda 2063 – the continent's strategic framework for socio-economic transformation over a period of 50 years. It is in this context of reform for better delivery that the NEPAD Agency, through various programmatic interventions with countries on the continent, works towards enabling the continent's people to see 'The Africa We Want' through Agenda 2063, and its First Ten-Year Implementation Plan.

The NEPAD Agency works in the framework of Agenda 2063 as guided by the First Ten-Year Implementation Plan, which is a shared strategic framework for inclusive growth and sustainable development. Through this continental vision, as the development agency of the African Union, NEPAD works towards building 'An integrated, prosperous and peaceful Africa, driven by its own citizens and representing a dynamic force in the international arena.' NEPAD is primarily implemented at the Regional Economic Community (REC) level. It is widely used by international financial institutions, UN agencies and Africa's development partners as a mechanism to support African development efforts.

### Major Trade-Related Programmes

The current NEPAD Agency's areas of work are:

- Human Capital Development (Skills, Youth, Employment and Women Empowerment)
- Regional Integration, Infrastructure (Energy, Water, ICT, Transport) and Trade

- Industrialisation, Science, Technology and Innovation
- Natural Resources Governance and Food Security

There are currently just over 40 programmes and projects that the NEPAD Agency is implementing. The NEPAD Agency, now with a footprint in 53 out of the 55 African Union Member States, has adopted a results-based approach and aligned its interventions to the First Ten Year Implementation Plan of Agenda 2063.

### NEPAD at the IATF 2018,

the NPCA, in collaboration GIZ and the Department of Infrastructure and Energy (IED), will organize a Session on *"The Role of Energy, Transport and ICT Infrastructure in supporting Intra-African Trade and Industrialization"* on the **14<sup>th</sup> December 2018 from 11:00 to 16:30hrs**. The Session will focus on discussing strategies, framework and financing initiatives to facilitate implementation of infrastructure projects in Africa in the energy, transport and ICT sectors.

In light of the above, NEPAD will welcome all delegates & partners at the African Union Pavilion where an exhibition will be made.

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The Directorate of SPPMERM has four divisions: Resource Mobilization; Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation; Policy Analysis and Research; and Knowledge Management.

Its mandate is to ensure smooth institutional relationships between the AU and other international institutions, and to coordinate strategic planning among the Commission's directorates and departments.

Functions of the Commission include:

- Facilitating programme implementation across the AU;
- Developing, supporting and coordinating strategic plans;
- Mobilizing and allocating resources for programme implementation;
- Designing monitoring and evaluation procedures for programme assessment;
- Creating, acquiring, storing and disseminating knowledge; and
- Following up on reporting on programme implementation among Commission's departments as well as across the Union.

### **SPPMERM's role towards Agenda 2063**

- Acts as Agenda 2063 Secretariat coordinating the development of the Agenda and its implementation plan;
- Facilitates preparation of AUC Strategic Plans as well as those of other AU Organs and Specialized Agencies in line with Agenda 2063;
- Develops the AU Annual Budget Framework Paper;
- Works closely with Finance Directorate to finalize AU Annual Budget;
- Leads in Resource Mobilization Strategy;
- Develops Monitoring & Evaluation Strategy; and
- Disseminates information through knowledge management

### **SPPMERM at the IATF2018**

During the IATF2018, the directorate's key role is to promote Agenda 2063 and its execution plan, including the supporting strategies for better implementation of the CFTA Agreement which is one of the Agenda 2063 flagship projects.

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The Department of Social Affairs (DSA) plays a leadership role in ensuring the overall coherence of social development programs and in promoting, monitoring and evaluating associated policies and strategies. To realize the Continental vision, DSA derives its vision, together with accompanying strategy to complement the AUC efforts. The core working function of the department include:

- **Labour, Employment and Migration**, which focuses on the rights, labour standards, integrated employment policies and social security systems and also provides guidelines for Member States to draw up their own country specific frameworks, based on national needs and priorities.
- **The Culture division**, which works to harmonize and coordinate activities and policies across the continent, in order to build further structure and opportunities for using culture for integration and African renaissance, cultural development, promotion of creative and cultural industries. The Division works with the RECs, Member States and development to ensure the implementation of cultural policies that create jobs, promote the continent's enormous resources and skills, and changes lives.
- Other divisions under the department are, Health nutrition and population, HIV/AIDS, Malaria, tuberculosis and other infectious diseases, social welfare, vulnerable groups and drugs control, sports.

The Department also hosts The Center for Linguistics and Historical Studies by Oral Tradition (AU- CELHTO). CELHTO promotes African cultures in their richness, diversity and convergence. It has oversight in safeguarding African cultural heritage and contributes to the promotion of African history and languages through the collection, conservation and dissemination of oral traditions. And also supports the effective coordination of the

African Union Members States activities in the field of culture, innovative cultural development programmes and networking and co-ordination

with Universities and research Institutions.

### DSA at the IATF2018

For IATF 2018, DSA will participate in *session on The Creative Africa Exchange (CAX) summit* which will take place on the **12<sup>th</sup> December 2018** at **15:00 – 16:00hrs** as well as the *High Level Panel Discussion on Building Africa's Manufacturing Capacities on the Shoulders of SME'S opportunities for Export Trading Companies* which will take place on **13<sup>th</sup> December 2018** at from **14:00 – 15:15hrs**

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The Semi-Arid Food Grain Research and Development (SAFGRAD) is the African Union's specialized technical office in the area of agriculture research and development in semi-arid zones of Africa. The office was created in 1977 and institutionalized as a specialized technical office of the African Union Commission in 2003. It is located in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso.

SAFGRAD leads activities on resilience of rural livelihoods in semi-arid Africa and aims to accelerate growth of agriculture by promoting productive-friendly technologies and by building institutional capacity. It focuses on agricultural research, technology transfer, enhancement of value chains, management of natural resources, mitigation and adaptation to climate change, combating desertification, policy development and information dissemination to rural communities.

### Major Trade-Related Programmes

- Promotion of agricultural commodities value chains development. SAFGRAD undertakes various advocacy and communication activities to promote the AU's work in the area of knowledge and capability building in the agricultural sector.
- Publications Several studies on improving agricultural productivity as well as challenges and opportunities of agricultural commodities value chains in Africa have been published including Challenges and Opportunities for Strategic Agricultural Commodity Value Chains Development in the IGAD Region, Strengthening the role of science and technology in combating desertification in Africa
- Stakeholder engagement In 2017 SAFGRAD hosted a Continental workshop, in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, on regional agricultural commodities value chains development. In 2018 SAFGRAD facilitated the Economic Community of Central African States (ECAAS) secretariat in prioritizing their agricultural commodities at regional level.

### SAFGRAD at the IATF2018

During the IATF 2018 SAFGRAD will be one of the panelists in the session on *"Market Access Support for Smallholders (farmers) or SMEs"* scheduled for **15<sup>th</sup> December, 2018** from **10:00 to 11:15hrs**.

The SAFGRAD team looks forward to welcoming you at the AU Pavilion, where it will show its various publications on agricultural commodities value chains development in Africa as well as other related documents.

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The Inter-African Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR) is a specialized technical office of the Department of Rural Economy and Agriculture (DREA). AU-IBAR's mandate is to support and coordinate the sustainable development and utilization of animal resources (livestock, fisheries and wildlife) to enhance nutrition and food security and contribute to the wellbeing and prosperity of the people in the Member States of the African Union. AU-IBAR focuses on the following core functions:

- Improve animal health, disease prevention and control systems;
- Enhance animal resource production systems and ecosystem management; and
- Improve access to inputs, services and markets for animals and animal products.

### Major Trade-Related Programmes

Over the last decade, AU-IBAR has coordinated a number of projects at the national, regional and continental levels to support trade in animals and animal products. It has also led the formulation of the Livestock Development Strategy for Africa (LiDeSA), the Policy Framework and Reform Strategy for Fisheries and Aquaculture (PFRS) and the development of the Animal welfare Strategy for Africa:

AU-IBAR is currently implementing the project for "Sustainable Development of Livestock for livelihoods in Africa" (Live2Africa) 2017-2021 that has initiated the implementation of LiDeSA. Among the key pillars of Live2Africa are: Improved control of priority animal diseases to enhance compliance with sanitary standards and regulations for trade in livestock and livestock products and enhancing market access and value addition by improving the performance of priority livestock value chains across the continent

AU-IBAR is also strengthening Institutional capacity to: enhance the governance of the fisheries sector in Africa, improve Institutional capacity and regulatory frameworks for sustainable fisheries management as well as enhancing capacities for fish diseases surveillance and control.

Recently concluded projects include: the 'Participation of African Nations in Sanitary & Phytosanitary (SPS) Standards setting Organisations (PANSPSO)' that supported the participation of AU Member States and experts in the international Animal Health standards setting processes by OIE and in various Codex Alimentarius Committees setting international standards in food safety as well as in the SPS Committee of World Trade Organisation (WTO);


The 'Fish Trade' Project 2014-2017 aimed to increase Fish Trade in the Four Corridors in Africa; The Bees project - 2013-2017 improved capacities for the sustainable production, and management of bees.

### AU-IBAR at the IATF2018

During the IATF2018, AU-IBAR will exhibit several documents including Policy Frameworks, Strategies and Guidelines in the areas of Livestock Development, Fisheries and Aquaculture, Sanitary and Phytosanitary Standards and trade In Livestock and Fisheries in Africa.

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## PAN AFRICAN VETERINARY VACCINE CENTRE (AU-PANVAC)

The Malabo Declaration on Accelerated Agricultural Growth and Transformation for Shared prosperity and Improved Livelihoods recognize the pivotal role of the agricultural sector in the transformation of African economies. Livestock alone contributes between 30% and 50% of the national agricultural GDP. Veterinary vaccines are the tools used to support the development of livestock particularly in Africa.

The Pan African Veterinary Vaccine Centre of African Union (AU/PANVAC) is African Union Agency that was launched in 2004 and is located in Debre Zeit (Ethiopia). AU-PANVAC is the only African Union Organization mandated to Certify all Veterinary Vaccines produced or imported into Africa with the mission "To promote the use of good quality vaccines and reagents for the control and eradication of animal diseases in Africa". AU-PANVAC was established in recognition of its contributions to the Eradication of Rinderpest in Africa by certifying the use of good vaccines. Major Trade-Related Programmes

AU-PANVAC currently implements the following activities:

- Certification of all Vaccines used in AU Members States (AU-MS) for the control of animal diseases;
- Strengthen vaccine manufacturing capacity in AU-MS to meet national and regional vaccine supply needs;
- Produce and distribute essential diagnostics for the surveillance and control of animal diseases in AU-MS;
- Play a leading role to facilitate the harmonization of veterinary vaccine registration on the African continent; and
- Development of guidelines for certification of African veterinary vaccine manufacturing facilities to improve the delivery of goods product.

AU-PANVAC has a Biological Reagent Production Unit which produces and distributes essential biological reagents for animals and a Vaccine Quality Control Unit mandates which provides International Independent Quality Control of

Veterinary vaccines produced in Africa and those brought into Africa.

AU-PANVAC is currently working to maintain all African veterinary vaccine producers in the network and harmonize of the vaccine registration on the Continent. It is also developing guidelines for certification of African veterinary vaccine manufacturing facilities to improve the delivery of goods products.

### AU-PANVAC at the IATF2018

AU-PANVAC will be present in the AU Pavilion to provide more information on its current work and exhibit some of its publications.

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The Department of Human Resources, Science and Technology (HRST)'s role is to ensure the coordination of AU programmes on human resource development matters as well as the promotion of science, technology and innovation on the continent. The Department encourages and provides technical support to Member States in the implementation of policies and programmes in its fields.

Key roles include: promoting research and publication on science and technology; promoting cooperation among Member States on education and training; encouraging youth participation in the integration of the continent; and acting as the Secretariat for the Scientific Council for Africa.

The Department leads and manages a continental coordination platform for youth skills for employment and entrepreneurship development in collaboration with academia, private sector actors and development partners.

The Department is currently setting up an African Union Youth Fund to, amongst other things, provide capital to young entrepreneurs looking to expand operations in line with the integration agenda of the AU.

### HRST at the IATF2018

The Department of HRST will organize a side event on *Promoting skills and building networks for youth participation in intra-African trade* on **16<sup>th</sup> December, 2018** from **10:00 - 11:30hrs**. The event will explore the topic of skills development, entrepreneurship education and the usefulness of these to building efficient ecosystems to support young people participating in intra-African trade. The event will be a moderated panel discussion with panelists from academia, private sector as well as young entrepreneurs currently involved in inter-African trade, including: Paschal Anosike, Director, Centre for African Entrepreneurship and Leadership; Dr. Bitange Ndemo, Professor, University of Nairobi; Arun Sukumar, Director, African Institute for Transformational Entrepreneurship; Anne Ekeledo, Executive Director, Africalabs; Tomas Sales, Private Sector Lead, UNDP Regional

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In light of the above, HRST will welcome all delegates & partners at the African Union Pavilion, where an exhibition of material, documents and publications will be made.

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## AUC'S PARTICIPATION AT THE IATF2018



As one of the three co-organizers of the IATF2018, the African Union commission (AUC) will actively participate in the IATF2018 under the theme: **“Transforming Africa Through Agenda 2063 Anchored on Integrity in Business”**

Date	Proposed events/session	Offices/Departments/Institutions	Involvement
<b>Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	The launch of the Pan-African Manufacturers' Association, by African Union (14:00 - 15:30hrs)	Department of Trade and Industry	Co-organiser
<b>Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	The Role of Central Payment and Settlement Systems in Facilitating Trade in Africa (14:00 - 15:00hrs)	Department of Economic Affairs	Panelist
	Promoting Africa's infrastructure interconnectivity to facilitate intra-African trade and Industrialisation (14:00 - 15:00hrs)	Department of Infrastructure and Energy	Panelist
	The Creative Africa Exchange (CAX) Summit (15:00 - 15:30hrs)	Department of Social Affairs	Panelist
<b>Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	High Level Panel Discussion on Building Africa's Manufacturing Capacities on the Shoulders of SMEs - Opportunities for Export Trading Companies (10:00 - 11:00hrs)	Department of Trade and Industry	Organizer
		Department of Social Affairs	Panelist
	Harnessing the power of e-commerce to promote intra-African Trade (11:15 - 13:00hrs)	Department of Trade and Industry	Organizer
	Strategies for promotion of the Steel Value chain in Africa (14:00 - 15:00hrs)	Department of Trade and Industry	Panelist
<b>Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	Improving Access to Trade and market information in Africa (11:00 - 11:45hrs)	Department of Trade and Industry	Panelist
	Towards a Pan-African Transit Guarantee Scheme (11:45 - 13:00hrs)	Department of Trade and Industry	Panelist
	High Level Panel Session on Infrastructure for a sustainable Intra-African Trade Promotion – Energy, Transport, Information and Communication Technology (11:00 - 16:30hrs)	Department of Infrastructure and Energy	Organizer
<b>Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	Enhancing Investment in the Agriculture Sector and Agriculture Trade (14:00 - 16:00hrs)	Department of Rural Economy and Agriculture	Organizer
	Market Access Support for Smallholders (farmers) or SMEs (10:00 – 11:15hrs)	Semi-Arid Food Grain Research and Development	Panelist
	Workshop on Harmonization of Trade Standards to Facilitate Intra-African Trade (10:00 - 16:00hrs)	Department of Trade and Industry	Organizer
<b>Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	Youth Entrepreneurship and Empowerment (10:00 - 11:15hrs)	Department of Human Resources, Science and Technology	Organizer
	Free Movement of Persons & Its Impact on Trade Issues in Africa (14:00 - 16:00hrs)	Department of Political Affairs	Organizer
	Trade and Gender, Youth Participation in Intra-African trade (14:00 - 16:00hrs)	Department of Human Resources, Science and Technology	Panelist

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