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As of 31 January 2022

**DRAFT PROGRAMME OF EVENTS DURING
THE PERIOD OF THE JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2022
ASSEMBLY OF THE UNION
ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA**



AU STATUTORY MEETINGS

From 27 January to 06 February 2022

AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL

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| (1) | WORKING SESSION OF THE F15 EXPERTS TO DEVELOP OPTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF NEW SCALE OF ASSESSMENT- 2023-2025 | 27 January 2022 |
| (2) | MEETING OF THE MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON SCALE OF ASSESSMENT AND F15 COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSED OPTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF NEW SCALE OF ASSESSMENT- 2023-2025 | 27 January 2022 |

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

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| (3) | FORTIETH (40 TH) ORDINARY SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL | 02-03 February 2022
<i>09.30 - 13.00 hrs &
15.00 - 18.00 hrs</i>
Nelson Mandela Hall
(AUCC) |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>02 - 03 February 2022: 10.00- 13.00 hrs & 15.00 - 18.00 hrs</i> ➤ <i>02 February 2022: 19.00 hrs - Reception</i> | |

COMMITTEES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

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| (4) | MEETINGS OF THE MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON SCALE OF ASSESSMENT AND F15 COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS | 28 January 2022 to
31 January 2022 |
| (5) | MEETING OF THE MINISTERIAL FOLLOW UP COMMITTEE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AGENDA 2063 | 31 January 2022
<i>16:00 hrs</i> |
| (6) | MEETING OF THE MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON AFRICAN CANDIDATURES WITHIN THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM | 02 February 2022
<i>13.00 hrs</i> |



AFRICAN PEER REVIEW MECHANISM

- (7) MEETINGS OF THE AFRICAN PEER REVIEW MECHANISM (APRM) **30 Jan – 04 Feb. 2022**
09.00-13.00 hrs & 14.00-18.00 hrs
- 30 Jan 2022: 09.00-11.00 hrs: 11th Meeting of the APRM National Governing Council (NGC) Bureau
 - 30 Jan 2022: 14.00 – 17.00 hrs: 6th Meeting of the APRM Steering Committee of Focal Points
 - 31 Jan – 1 Feb 2022: 09.00-18.00 hrs: 100th Meeting of the APR Panel of Eminent Persons
 - 02 Feb. 2022: 09.00 – 18.00 hrs: 34th Meeting of the Committee of the APRM Focal Points
 - 04 Feb. 2022: 15.00-18.00 hrs: 31st Summit of Heads of State and Government Participating in the APRM Forum
- Plenary Hall**

ASSEMBLY

- (8) THIRTY-FIFTH (35TH) ORDINARY SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE UNION **05–06 February 2022**
10.00 - 13.00 hrs & 15.00 - 18.00 hrs
Nelson Mandela Hall (AUCC)
- 05 February 2022:
 - 10.00–13.00hrs: **Opening Ceremony (Nelson Mandela Hall)**
 - 13.00–15.00hrs: **Lunch**
 - 15.00–18.00hrs: **Closed Session (Nelson Mandela Hall)**
 - 19.00 hrs: **Dinner hosted by H.E. Abiy Ahmed, Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia**
 - 06 February 2022:
 - 10.00–13.00hrs: **Closed Session (Nelson Mandela Hall)**
 - 13.00 – 15.00hrs: **Lunch**
 - 15.00 – 18.03hrs: **Closed Session (Nelson Mandela Hall)**
 - 18.00 – 19.00hrs: **Closing Ceremony (Nelson Mandela Hall)**

COMMITTEES OF THE ASSEMBLY

- (9) NEPAD HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNEMENT ORIENTATION COMMITTEE **02 February 2022:**
11.00 hrs
Virtual



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| (10) | 31ST MEETING OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATING IN THE APRM FORUM | 04 February 2022
<i>10h00 – 13h00 hrs</i> |
| (11) | MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF AFRICAN HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT ON CLIMATE CHANGE (CAHOSCC) | 06 February 2022
<i>08h30 – 10h00 hrs</i>
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**PROGRAMME OF EVENTS
DURING THE PERIOD OF FEBRUARY 2022
ASSEMBLY OF THE UNION
ETHIOPIA**

STATUTORY MEETINGS

(1)

**FORTIETH (40TH) ORDINARY SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
02-03 FEBRUARY 2022**

Venue: Nelson Mandela Hall, AUCC

➤ **02 February 2022**

10.00 hrs.

: OPENING CEREMONY

- Statement by the Chairperson of the AU Commission (**5 minutes**)
- Statement by the Executive Secretary of the UNECA (**5 minutes**)
- Opening Statement by the Chairperson of the Executive Council (**5 minutes**)
- Group Photo for Ministers, together with Members of the Commission (**10 minutes**)

CLOSED SESSION

10.10 hrs.

Adoption of the Agenda and Organization of Work

10.20 - 13.00 hrs.

Working Session (*as per the agenda of the present session of the Executive Council*)

13.00 – 15.00 hrs.

Lunch hosted by H.E. Moussa Faki Mahamat, Chairperson of the African Union Commission

15.00 – 18.30 hrs.

Working Session (*as per the agenda of the present session of the Executive Council*)

19.00 hrs.

Reception hosted by H.E. Demeke Mekonnen, Deputy Prime



Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

➤ **03 February 2022**

- 10.00 - 13.00 hrs. Working Session (*as per the agenda of the present session of the Executive Council*)
- 13.00 – 15.00 hrs. **Lunch Break**
- 15.00 – 17.00 hrs. - Elections of:
- A Female Vice President of the Pan African University (PAU) Council
 - Fifteen (15) Members of the PSC
 - A Female Member of the AUABC from the Northern Region
- Consideration of Draft Legal Instruments
- 17.00 – 19.00 hrs - Consideration of the Draft Agenda of the 35th Ordinary Session of the Assembly of the African Union
- Consideration of the Draft Decisions of the 35th Ordinary Session of the Assembly of the African Union
- Adoption of the Decisions of the 40th Ordinary Session of the Executive Council
- Date and Venue of the 41st and 42nd Ordinary Session of the Executive Council
- Any Other Business
- OPEN SESSION**
- 19.00 – 19.30 hrs. Closing Ceremony



**PROGRAMME OF EVENTS
DURING THE PERIOD OF FEBRUARY 2022
ASSEMBLY OF THE UNION
ETHIOPIA**

STATUTORY MEETINGS

(2)

**THIRTY-FIFTH (35TH) ORDINARY SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE UNION
05 - 06 February 2022**

Venue: Nelson Mandela Hall, AUCC

05 February 2022

10.00 – 13.00 hrs

OPEN SESSION

1. OPENING CEREMONY

(i) AU ANTHEM

(ii) STATEMENTS

- Statement by the Chairperson of the African Union Commission, H.E. Mr. Moussa Faki Mahamat **(5 minutes)**
- Statement by H.E. Dr. Abiy Ahmed, Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia **(5 minutes)**
- Statement by H.E. Mr. Ahmed Aboul-Gheit, Secretary General of the League of Arab States **(5 minutes)**
- Statement by H.E. Mr. Antonio Guterres, Secretary General of the United Nations **(5 minutes)**
- Statement by H.E. Mr. Mahmoud Abbas, President of



the State of Palestine **(5 minutes)**

- Opening Statement by H.E. Felix Antoine Tshisekedi, President of the Democratic Republic of Congo and Chairperson of the African Union **(5 minutes)**
- Announcement of the Bureau of the Assembly of the African Union for 2022 and the Chairperson of the African Union for 2023 **(5 minutes)**
- Handing over Statement by the outgoing AU Chairperson H.E. Mr. Felix Antoine Tshisekedi, President of the Democratic Republic of Congo **(5 minutes)**
- Acceptance Statement by H.E. Mr. Macky Sall, President of the Republic of Senegal and Incoming Chairperson of the African Union **(5 minutes)**
- **Brief Remarks by newly elected Heads of State and Government (3 minutes each):**
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(iii) LAUNCH_OF THE AFRICAN UNION THEME OF THE YEAR 2022

(iv) GROUP PHOTO

13.00 – 15.00 hrs.

LUNCH

15.00 – 18.00 hrs

CLOSED SESSION

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ORGANISATION OF WORK

- (i) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
- (ii) ORGANIZATION OF WORK



3. REPORTS ON PEACE AND SECURITY

(i) REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL (PSC) AND THE STATE OF PEACE AND SECURITY IN AFRICA

(ii) REPORT OF THE PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL (PSC) ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AU MASTER ROADMAP OF PRACTICAL STEPS TO SILENCE THE GUNS IN AFRICA

(iii) Debate on the 2 reports of the peace and security

4. PROGRESS REPORT ON THE AFRICAN UNION RESPONSE ON COVID-19 PANDEMIC IN AFRICA, BY H.E. MR. MATAMELA CYRIL RAMAPHOSA, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA, AU CHAMPION ON COVID-19 PANDEMIC RESPONSE

5. PRESENTATION BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK ON MOBILIZING FINANCING FOR AFRICA'S ACCELERATED ECONOMIC RECOVERY DEVELOPMENT AND INTEGRATION

19.00 hrs

DINNER HOSTED BY H.E. DR. ABIY AHMED, PRIME MINISTER OF THE FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ETHIOPIA



06 February 2022

10.00 – 13.00 hrs

CLOSED SESSION

6. REPORTS OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT, CHAIRPERSONS OF THE COMMITTEES OF THE ASSEMBLY)

(i) H.E MR. MATAMELA CYRIL RAMAPHOSA, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA AND CHAIRPERSON OF THE AFRICAN PEER REVIEW MECHANISM (APRM)

a) THE AFRICA GOVERNANCE REPORT 2021: AFRICA'S GOVERNANCE FUTURES FOR THE AFRICA WE WANT

b) REPORTS OF THE 30TH FORUM AND 31ST FORUM OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATING IN THE AFRICAN PEER REVIEW MECHANISM (APR FORUM)

(ii) REPORT OF THE AUDA-NEPAD HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT ORIENTATION COMMITTEE, BY H.E. MR. PAUL KAGAME, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF RWANDA

7. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE UNION AND ITS ORGANS INCLUDING THE SPECIFIC THEMATIC ISSUES BY THE HEADS OF STATES, CHAMPIONS to be presented by H.E Moussa Faki Mahamat, Chairperson of the African Union Commission

8. Statements by (5 min)



- (i) REPORT OF HIS MAJESTY LETSIE III, KING OF LESOTHO AND AFRICAN UNION CHAMPION ON NUTRITION AND BIENNIAL REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AFRICAN LEADERS FOR NUTRITION (ALN) INITIATIVE
- (ii) REPORT OF HIS MAJESTY MOHAMMED VI, KING OF MOROCCO AND AFRICAN UNION CHAMPION ON MIGRATION
- (iii) PROGRESS REPORT, OF H.E. HON. UHURU KENYATTA, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA AND CHAMPION OF THE AFRICAN LEADERS MALARIA ALLIANCE (ALMA)
- (iv) REPORT OF H.E. MR. ABDELMADJID TEBBOUNE, PRESIDENT OF THE PEOPLES' DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ALGERIA AND CHAMPION ON THE FIGHT AGAINST TERRORISM AND VIOLENT EXTREMISM
- (v) REPORT OF H.E. MR. PAUL KAGAME, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF RWANDA, CHAMPION OF THE AU INSTITUTIONAL REFORM
- (vi) REPORT OF H.E. MR. PAUL KAGAME, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF RWANDA, AU CHAMPION ON DOMESTIC HEALTH FINANCING
- (vii) REPORT OF H.E. MR. ALASSANE OUATTARA, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF COTE D'IVOIRE AND AFRICAN UNION CHAMPION ON THE FOLLOW-UP OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AFRICAN UNION AGENDA 2063
- (viii) REPORT OF H.E. MR. NANA ADDO DANKWA AKUFO-ADDO, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA AND AFRICAN UNION CHAMPION ON THE AU FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
- (ix) REPORT OF H.E. MR. ABIY AHMED, PRIME MINISTER OF THE FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ETHIOPIA AND CHAMPION ON



CAADP BIENNIAL REVIEW

- (x) REPORT OF H.E. MR. ROCH MARC CHRISTIAN KABORE, PRESIDENT OF BURKINA FASO AND AFRICAN UNION CHAMPION ON ELIMINATING FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION
- (xi) REPORT OF THE H.E. MR. JULIUS MAADA BIO, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE, AU CHAMPION ON COMMITTEE OF TEN HEADS OF STATES AND GOVERNMENT ON THE REFORM OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL (C10)
- (xii) REPORT OF H.E. MR. DENIS SASSOU NGUESSO, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CONGO, AU CHAMPION AND CHAIRPERSON OF THE HIGH LEVEL COMMITTEE ON LIBYA
- (xiii) REPORT OF H.E. MR. MACKY SALL, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SENEGAL AND CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE OF AFRICAN HEADS OF STATES AND GOVERNMENT ON CLIMATE CHANGE (CAHOSCC)
- (xiv) REPORT OF H.E. MR. HAKAINDE HICHILEMA, PRESIDENT OF ZAMBIA, ON ENDING CHILD MARRIAGE
- (xv) REPORT OF H.E. MR. ISSOUFOU MAHAMADOU, FORMER PRESIDENT OF NIGER AND AFRICAN UNION CHAMPION ON THE CONTINENTAL FREE TRADE AREA (AfCFTA)

13.00 – 15.00 hrs.

LUNCH

15.00 – 18.30 hrs

9. CONSIDERATION OF THE DECISION OF GRANTING ISRAEL AN OBSERVER STATUS TO THE AFRICAN UNION (*item proposed by Algeria and South Africa*)



10. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT LEGAL INSTRUMENTS

- a. Draft Revised AU Financial Rules
- b. Draft Revised AU Staff Regulations and Rules
- c. Proposed amendment of Article 22(1) of the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption
- d. Draft Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights on the Rights of Citizens to Social Protection and Social Security
- e. Proposed amendments to the Statute of the African Union Commission on International Law

11. APPOINTMENTS

- (i) APPOINTMENT OF FIFTEEN (15) MEMBERS OF THE PSC
- (ii) APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE PANEL OF THE WISE
- (iii) APPOINTMENT OF THE CEO OF AUDA-NEPAD

12. ENDORSEMENT OF THE OUTCOME OF THE THIRD MID-YEAR COORDINATION MEETING, OCTOBER 2021

13. ADOPTION OF DECISIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF THE 35TH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE AFRICAN UNION

14. DATE AND VENUE OF THE 36th ORDINARY SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE AFRICAN UNION

15. DATE AND VENUE OF THE FOURTH (4TH) MID-YEAR COORDINATION MEETING

16. DATE OF THE SUMMIT ON THE INDUSTRIALIZATION AND ECONOMIC



DIVERSIFICATION, NIAMEY, NIGER

**17. DATE AND VENUE OF THE EXTRAORDINARY
SUMMIT ON TERRORISM**

18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

18.30 – 19.00 hrs.

OPEN SESSION

CLOSING CEREMONY

- Closing Statement by H.E. Macky Sall, President of the Republic of Senegal and Chairperson of the African Union
- AU Anthem
- Press Conference by the Chairperson of the Union and the Chairperson of the Commission (***for the Media***)