


**Economic Commission for Africa
Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development**

Eighth session

**Preparatory and capacity development workshop for major groups
and other stakeholders in the African region**

Kigali (hybrid), 1 and 2 March 2022

Provisional programme of work
Tuesday, 1 March 2022 (Local time in Kigali: GMT+2)

Time	Event
11–11.20 a.m.	<p>Opening of the workshop</p> <p>Moderator: Mama Keita, Director, Subregional Office for East Africa, Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)</p> <p>Statements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kofi Kankam, Co-Chair, Africa Regional Mechanism for Major Groups and Other Stakeholders' Steering Committee • Fodé Ndiaye, United Nations Resident Coordinator, Rwanda • Vera Songwe, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa • Emma Theofelus, Deputy Minister of Information, Communication, and Technology, Namibia • Opening remarks by Rosemary Mbabazi, Minister of Youth and Culture, Rwanda
11.20 a.m.–12.20 p.m.	<p>High-level panel on empowering the young people to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals of the 2030 Agenda and the aspirations of Agenda 2063</p> <p>Moderator: Mama Keita, Director, Subregional Office for East Africa, ECA</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Damilare Oyedele, Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Library Aid Africa • Josephine Kirabo, author and young motivational speaker • Ibrahim Ceesay, Executive Director of the African Artists Peace Initiative • Fodé Ndiaye, United Nations Resident Coordinator, Rwanda • Vera Songwe, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa • Emma Theofelus, Deputy Minister of Information, Communication, and Technology, Namibia • Rosemary Mbabazi, Minister of Youth and Culture, Rwanda <p>General discussion</p>



12.20–1.20 p.m.	Lunch Break
1.20–2.30 p.m.	<p>Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals of the 2030 Agenda and the aspirations of Agenda 2063 during the COVID-19 pandemic and building forward better</p> <p>Moderator: Edith Madela-Mntla, Senior Lecturer and Head of Community Engagement, Department of Family Medicine, University of Pretoria</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aldo Stroebel, Executive Director, Strategy Planning and Partnerships, National Research Foundation, South Africa • Edith Madela-Mntla, Senior Lecturer and Head of Community Engagement, Department of Family Medicine, University of Pretoria • Paul Okumu, Head of Secretariat, Africa Platform • Elie Bagbila, Country Director of Light for the World Burkina Faso • Thusang Butale, Secretary General of the Botswana Federation of Trade Unions <p>General discussion</p>
2.30–3.45 p.m.	<p>Fundraising and financial sustainability of major groups and other stakeholders during the COVID-19 crisis</p> <p>Moderator: Kofi Kankam, Co-Chair, Africa Regional Mechanism for Major Groups and Other Stakeholders’ Steering Committee</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oliver Henman, Global Coordinator, Action for Sustainable Development • Zéneb Touré, Manager, Civil Society and Social Innovation Division, African Development Bank • Carole Agengo, Co-Chair, Africa Regional Mechanism for Major Groups and Other Stakeholders’ Steering Committee • Moura Ben Garga, Innovation Lead, CIVICUS • Njomo Tchoumi Stéphanie, Program Officer, Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Cameroon • John Keating, Strategic Planning Officer, RCO Team Leader, Ghana • Dr. Mmboneni Muofhe, Deputy Director-General for Technology Innovation, Department of Science and Technology <p>General discussion</p>
3.45–5.00 p.m.	<p>Follow-up and review of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063 in Africa – contributions of major groups and other stakeholders to voluntary national reviews in selected countries</p> <p>Moderator: Moses Isooba, Executive Director, Uganda National NGO Forum</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abdeldjalil Bachar Bong, President and CEO, House of Africa, Chad • Mahamoudou Ndrindahy, National Chairperson, National Platform for Civil Society Organizations of Madagascar • Samuel Turay, National Coordinator, Volunteers Involving Organizations Network, Sierra Leone • Judith Kaulem, Executive Director, Poverty Reduction Forum Trust <p>General discussion</p>

Wednesday, 2 March 2022

11 a.m.–12.15 p.m.	<p>Partnerships for the Goals</p> <p>Moderator: Adessou Kossivi, Regional Coordinator, Global Network of Civil Society Organizations for Disaster Reduction</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cyrus Munyaburanga Nkusi, Chief executive Officer of Governance for Africa • Adessou Kossivi, Regional Coordinator, Global Network of Civil Society Organizations for Disaster Reduction • Aissatou Diouf, General Manager, CFAO Motors Nigeria • Yao Dovlo Fetor, Centre for Research into the Mechanization of Agriculture, Togo • Daniel Nyanganyura, Executive Director, African Science, Technology and Policy Institute • Mwangi Waituru, Regional Advocacy Advisor of the Volunteer Service Overseas • Ibrahim Ceesay, Executive Director of the African Artists Peace Initiative (AAPI) <p>General discussion</p>
12.15–1.15 p.m.	<p>Lunch Break</p>
1.15–2.30 p.m.	<p>Road to COP 27 in Cairo: Pan-African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA) advocacy strategy and the intersectionality of the three dimensions of SDGs – Environment, Social and Economic</p> <p>Moderator: Mwangi Waituru, Regional Advocacy Advisor of the Volunteer Service Overseas</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Muthika Mwenda, Executive Director, Pan-African Alliance for Climate Justice • Charles Mwangi, Head of Program and Research, Pan-African Alliance for Climate Justice • Melo Chiponda, Pan-African Alliance for Climate Justice • Augustine Njammshi Augustine • Wezzie Chimwala, Volunteer Service Overseas Malawi <p>General Discussion</p>
2.30–3.45 p.m.	<p>Discussion in breakout groups on the views and key messages of the major groups and other stakeholders on the Sustainable Development Goals under review at the eighth session of the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development</p> <p>Sub-themes:</p> <p>(a) Goal 4 (Quality education)</p> <p>Co-chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noura Fatchima Djibrilla, ANSEN/ PFSC CC/DD • Keith Andere, Executive Secretary, African Youth Commission <p>(b) Goal 5 (Gender equality)</p> <p>Co-chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noline Wazeh, Chair, Cameroon Women’s Peace Movement • Cécile Ndjebet, Founder and President, African Women’s Network for Community Management of Forests <p>(c) Goal 14 (Life under water)</p>

	<p>Co-chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evans Otieno, Project Officer, Livelihood & Youth Engagement, Volunteer Service Overseas Kenya • Tcharbuahbokengo NFINN, CSOs Observer for Africa and the Middle East to the Forest Investment Program, Climate Investment Fund <p>(d) Goal 15 (Life on land)</p> <p>Co-chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lucy Mulenkei, Executive Director, Indigenous Information Network and Founder, Indigenous Women’s Biodiversity Network • Noah Zimba, Chairperson of the Board, Zambia Climate Change Network <p>(e) Goal 17 (Partnerships for the Goals)</p> <p>Co-chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Djibril Niang, Global Network for Disaster Reduction, Senegal • Hagar Monsif, Manager SDGs Unit, Africa Desk, Maat for Peace, Human Rights and Development
<p>3.45–4.00 p.m.</p>	<p>Closing of the workshop</p> <p>Closing remarks by Carole Agengo, Co-Chair, Africa Regional Mechanism for Major Groups and Other Stakeholders’ Steering Committee</p>
<p>4.00–5.30 p.m.</p>	<p>Drafting Key Messages</p> <p>A drafting committee will meet to finalise the key messages document.</p>
