Digital economy report 2024
Conference on shaping an environmentally sustainable and inclusive digital future in Africa

4 September 2024

10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (EAT)

United Nations Conference Centre, ECA – Addis Ababa

Programme

10:00 a.m.– 10:15 a.m.	**Opening Remarks** • Mr. Oliver Chinganya, Director, Africa Center for Statistics, ECA • Ms. Diane Sayinzoga, Chief, Regional Office for Africa, UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD) • Mr. Yeshurun Alemayehu, State Minister, ICT and Digital Economy Sector, Ministry of Innovation and Technology, Ethiopia
10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	**Presentation of the Report** • Mr. Torbjörn Fredriksson, Head, E-commerce and Digital Economy Branch, UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD) (Virtual) **Group Photo**

10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	**Panel Discussion** • Mr. Seyoum Mengesha, CEO, Digital Economy Development, Ministry of Innovation and Technology, Ethiopia • Mr. Taffere Tesfachew, Senior Advisor, Tony Blair Institute for Global Change • Mr. Sand Mba Kalu, Executive Director, Africa International Trade and Commerce Research (Virtual) • Mr. Emmanuel Manasseh, Director, Regional Office for Africa, International Telecommunication Union • Ms. Irene Mwoga, Digital Transformation Program Coordinator - Regional Office for Africa, UNEP (Virtual) Moderator: Mr. Mactar Seck, Chief, Emerging and Frontier Technologies, Innovation and Digital Transformation Section, ECA
11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	**Questions and Answers**
12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.	**Closing Remarks** • Mr. Yeshurun Alemayehu, State Minister, ICT and Digital Economy Sector, Ministry of Innovation and Technology, Ethiopia • Ms. Diane Sayinzoga, Chief, Regional Office for Africa, UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD) • Mr. Mactar Seck, Chief, Emerging and Frontier Technologies, Innovation and Digital Transformation Section, ECA