



# **Africa Hall inauguration**

21-24 October 2024

# Proposed programme

Day 1: 21 October 2024 - High-level opening

Venue: Africa Hall

3.30-4 p.m.

- Arrival of guests
- Cultural performance

4-4.30 p.m.

- Group photo
- Unveiling of the Africa Hall commemorative plaque
- Guided tour for high-level dignitaries of the visitors' centre and the permanent exhibition

4.30-5 p.m.

#### **Opening Ceremony**

- Opening video
- Spoken word performance
- Opening remarks: Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), Claver Gatete
- Statements by high-level dignitaries representing the Government of Ethiopia, the United Nations, the African Union, the African Union Commission and the Advisory Board

5-5.30 p.m.

Coffee break

5.30-6.30 p.m.

Cultural performance

6.30 p.m.

Cocktail reception



#### Day 2: 22 October 2024 - Side Events

#### Venue: Africa Hall

9–10.30 a.m. Positioning heritage, arts and culture as resources for Africa's development in the context of continental and global agendas

10.45 a.m. –1.45 p.m. A journey of technical innovation

2–3 p.m. Interactive Africa: connecting to Africa's past via smart media and artificial

intelligence

4–5 p.m. Recognition of voluntary contributions: Government of Portugal

### Day 3: 23 October 2024 - Side Events

#### Venue: Africa Hall

9.30–11 a.m. Africa Hall's place in Ethiopia's architectural landscape

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Made in Africa

2.30–4 p.m. Presentation of the book Africa Hall: A Monument to African History,

organized by the Government of Italy



## Day 4: 24 October 2024 - United Nations Day 2024

### Venue: Africa Hall

10-10.30 a.m.	Arrival of guests and United Nations staff members
10.30-10.45 a.m.	Arrival of members of the ECA Security and Safety Service
10.45-10.50 a.m.	Welcoming of guests
10.50-11 a.m.	Flag-raising ceremony
11-11.05 a.m.	Secretary-General's message
11.05-11.10 a.m.	Remarks by a representative of the Government of Ethiopia
11.10-11.15 a.m.	Remarks by a representative of the African Union Commission
11.15-11.30 a.m.	Songs and peace messages linked to the Sustainable Development Goals
11.30-11.35 a.m.	Closing ceremony
11.35-11.45 a.m.	<ul> <li>Group photos</li> <li>Senior officials of the United Nations, the Government of Ethiopia, the African Union Commission and the ECA Security and Safety Service</li> <li>Staff members of the United Nations, the Government of Ethiopia, the African Union Commission, the diplomatic community and the ECA Security and the Safety Service</li> </ul>
11.45 a.m12.30 p.m.	Refreshments
2-4 p.m.	Side event with students and other young people, organized by the United Nations Communications Group in Ethiopia

