

High level conference to celebrate the 60th anniversary of IDEP

“Renewal of Development Planning: learning from 60 years of practice in Africa and Shaping the Future”

Wednesday 15 November 2023, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (hybrid)

Draft Programme

8.00 - 9.00: **Arrival and registration of participants**

9.00 - 9.30: **Opening Ceremony**

Master of Ceremony: Bakary Dosso, Head, Training and Research Division, African Institute for Economic Development and Planning (IDEP), UNECA

Welcome remarks

- *Ms. Karima Bounemra Ben Soltane, Director, United Nations African Institute for Economic Development and Planning, (IDEP), UNECA*

Opening statements

- *Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA).*
- *H.E. Ms. Fitsum Assefa Adela, Minister, Ministry of Planning and Development, Ethiopia. (TBC)*

9.30 - 10.00: *Tea/Coffee Break and Group Photo*

10.00 - 11.30: **First panel: Six decades of development planning in Africa: Tacking stock of experiences and capacities of African countries**

Moderator: Mr. Said Adejumobi, Director, Strategic Planning, Oversight and Results Division (SPORD), UNECA

Panellists:

- Ms. Rosine Sori-Coulibaly, former Minister of Economy, Finance and Development, and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Burkina Faso
- Mr. Mod Secka, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, The Gambia
- Mr. Thomas Chataghalala Munthali, Director General National Planning Commission, Malawi
- Dr. Kodjo Mensah-Abrampa, Director General, National Development Planning Commission, Ghana

Discussions

11.30 - 13.00: **Second panel: Rethinking development planning in Africa: adapting approaches to the requirements of long-term visions and sustainable development**

Moderator: H.E Mr. Amara Kallon, Minister of Public Administration and Political Affairs, Sierra Leone

Panellists:

- H.E. Mr. Ibrahima Sall, Former Minister of Planning of Senegal
- Dr. Robert Nkuna, Director General, Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation of The Presidency, South Africa
- Ms. Sara Hamouda, Continental governance program officer in charge, M&E Directorate, APRM continental secretariat
- Mr. Abdelkrim Sudan, Chief of Division, Economic Development, Integration and Trade, African Union Commission (AUC) (TBC)

Discussions

13.00 - 14.00: *Lunch Break*

14.00 - 15.30: **Third panel: Leveraging on strategic foresight for an agile, robust, and forward-looking development planning in Africa**

Moderator: Ms. Karima Bounemra Ben Soltane, Director, African Institute for Economic Development and Planning (IDEP), UNECA.

Panellists:

- Mr. Nassim Oulmane, Acting Director, Technology, Climate, Natural Resource Division (TCND), UNECA.
- H.E Mr. Amara Kallon, Minister of Public Administration and Political Affairs, Sierra Leone
- Prof. Fiona Tregenna, University of Johannesburg, and Chair of industrial development National Research Foundation (NRF) of South Africa

Discussions

15.30 - 16.00: *Tea/Coffee Break*

16.00 - 16.30: **Closing remarks**

- H.E. Nemera Gebeyehu, State Minister, Ministry of Planning and Development, and member of IDEP Governing Council. (TBC)



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17.00 - 17.30: *Scrolls of Appreciation to IDEP Alumni/partners*