



Symposium on Governance for Implementing the Sustainable Development Commitments in Africa

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Day 1

9:00-10:30	Opening Remarks:
10:30-11:00	Coffee break
SESSION 1 – Agenda 2030 and Agenda 2063: what are the trigger changes for making their vision a reality?	
11:00-13:00	<u>Plenary:</u>
13:00-14:30	Lunch break
SESSION 2 – Adapting the 2030 and 2063 Agendas at the national level and developing integrated policies to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	
14:30-15:30	<u>Plenary</u>
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break

Parallel Sessions 16:00 - 18:30 (continuation of Session 2: Adapting the 2030 and 2063 Agendas at the national level and developing integrated policies to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs))	
Parallel Session 1 (closed Ministerial conversation)	Parallel Session 2 (all participants)
<p>“Straight Talk”: Informal discussions amongst ministers on overcoming biggest obstacles impacting the implementation of Agenda 2030 and Agenda 2063.</p> <p><i>(Chatham House Rules)</i></p>	<p><u>Working Groups on Session 2 topic with three sub-themes:</u></p> <p>Group A: Adapting the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and incorporating them in national and local development policies and plans (including tools and methodologies for successful integration)</p>
17:30 - 18:30	

Press Conference for the Ministers	Group B: Integrating sectoral policies to ensure their coherence (including tools and methodologies for successful integration) Group C: Cooperation between the central and local levels (governments and local authorities) for the realization of the SDGs (vertical integration)
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Day 2

9:00 - 9:15	Rapporteurs from Day 1 breakout groups: summaries of discussions thus far
SESSION 3 – Means of implementation of the SDGs	
9:15 - 10:15	<p><u>Plenary Round Table</u> with the participation of Ministers: Mobilizing financial and human resources for implementing the SDGs</p> <p>This round table will explore the mobilization of resources for the successful implementation of SDGs.</p>
10:15 - 11:15	<p><u>Working Groups on Session 3 topic with two sub-themes:</u></p> <p>Group A: Allocating financial resources for policies and programmes towards the implementation of the SDGs (exchange of experiences)</p> <p>Group B: Mobilizing human resources: Preparing public servants for the SDGs (discussions on process to develop curricula on the SDGs)</p>
11:15- 11:30	Coffee Break
SESSION 4 – Realizing the SDGs in societies in conflict and sustaining peace	
11:30 - 13:00	<u>Plenary</u>
13:00 - 14:30	Lunch Break
SESSION 5 – Mobilizing institutions and societies; strengthening capacities and bolstering leadership	
14:30 - 16:00	<u>Plenary</u>

16:00 - 16:15	Coffee break
16:15 - 18:30	<p><u>Working Groups on Session 5 topic with four sub-themes:</u></p> <p>Group A: Transforming institutions, mobilizing public administrations, building their capacities and strengthening leadership</p> <p>Group B: Mobilizing communities, civil society, and the private sector to realize the SDGs</p> <p>Group C: “Leave no one behind”</p> <p>Group D: Strengthening the science-policy interface and mobilizing technology</p>

Day 3

9:00 - 9:45	Rapporteurs from Day 2 breakout groups to provide summaries of general discussion and work completed
SESSION 6 – Reviewing implementation and measuring progress of the SDGs	
9:45 - 10:45	<u>Plenary</u>
10:45 - 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 - 13:00	<p><u>Working Groups on Session 6 topic with two sub-themes:</u></p> <p>Group A: Review and stocktaking of progress at the national level on the implementation of SDGs and the evaluation of results including Results-Based Management approaches (institutional processes, indicators, strengthening of data and statistical capacities, use of different types of data, key stakeholder engagement, methodologies and approaches)</p> <p>Group B: Monitoring and reviewing progress at global and regional levels: lessons learned from the national voluntary reviews at the High Level Political Forum of the UN on sustainable development and other reviews (including APRM, peer reviews, SDG report)</p>
13:15-14:30	Lunch Break
SESSION 7 – Conclusion and Ways Forward	
14:30- 16:30	<u>Plenary</u>
16:30-17:00	Closing Ceremony with Communiqué