

AEC 2010: Setting the Agenda for Africa's Economic Recovery and Long-Term Growth

Venue: Hotel Ramada Plaza, Gammarth

Tunisia, 27-29 October 2010

	DAY 1: 27 October 2010
08:00-9:00	Registration of participants
9:00-10:30	OPENING REMARKS Room: Sidi Bou Said Master of Ceremony: Cecilia Akintomide, African Development Bank Donald Kaberuka, President, African Development Bank (AfDB) Abdoulie Janneh, Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) Tegegnework Gettu, Assistant Secretary-General and Director of the Regional Bureau for Africa, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Official Opening: H.E. Mohammed Ghannouchi, Prime Minister, Tunisia Keynote address: Pascal Lamy, World Trade Organization (WTO)
10:30-10:45	Tea/Coffee Break
10:45-12:45	1ST PLENARY PANEL - Harnessing Global Partnerships for Africa's Development (old and new) Room: Sidi Bou Said Moderator: Buchizya Mseteka, Leriba Risk Services Panelist: Mthuli Ncube, Chief Economist and Vice President, AfDB Panelist: Fantu Cheru, The Nordic Africa Institute Panelist: H.E Njuguna Ndungu, Central Bank of Kenya Panelist: Zephirin Diabre, AREVA
12:45-14:00	Lunch
14:15-14:45	Press Conference Room: Didon III
14:00-16:00	CONCURRENT SEMINARS Session I.1.1 POVERTY ANALYSIS Room: Top Hat Chair: Margaret Kilo, AfDB 1. Analyzing Pro-Poor Growth in Southern Africa: Lessons from Mauritius and South Africa / Jean-Yves Duclos, Université Laval and Audrey Verdier-Chouchane, AfDB Discussant: Asha Kannan, UNDP 2. Exploring differences in national and international poverty estimates : Is Uganda on Track to Halve Poverty by 2015? / Sebastian Levine, UNDP Discussant: Barbara Barungi, AfDB 3. An African Demand System? Welfare Analysis Using Data from the ICP for Africa 2005 / Abebe Shimeles, AfDB Discussant: Foday Turay, AfDB Session I.1.2 ENHANCING ECONOMIC GROWTH Room: Didon II Chair: Adam Elhiraika, UNECA 1. Explaining African Growth Performance: A Production-Frontier Approach / Oleg Badunenko, University of Cologne, Daniel J. Henderson, State University of New York and Romain Houssa, University of Namur Discussant: Guy Blaise Nkameu, AfDB 2. Industrial Strategies for Economic Recovery and Long-Term Growth in Africa / Arne Bigsten and Måns Söderbom, University of Gothenburg Discussant: Alex Mutebi Mubiru, AfDB 3. External Debt Reduction and Economic Growth in Low-Income African Countries / Samir Abdelhafidh, Université de Sousse Discussant: Ahmed Moumami, AfDB

Session I.1.3 REGIONAL INTEGRATION

Room: Didon I

Chair: Joseph Atta-Mensah, UNECA

1. Developing Professional Services in Africa through Regional Integration / Nora Dihel, Ana M. Fernandes and Aaditya Mattoo, The World Bank

Discussant: Mamadou Diagne, AfDB

2. The Cross Border Expansion of African LFCIs : Implications for Regional Financial Stability and Regulatory Reform / Inutu Lukonga and Kay Chung, International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Discussant: Thierry Kangoye, AfDB**16:00-16:15 Tea/Coffee Break****16:15-18:15 CONCURRENT SEMINARS****Session I.2.1 FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT**

Room: Didon I

Chair: Ndubisi Nwokoma, UNECA

1. ICT, Financial Inclusion, and Growth: Evidence from African Countries / Mihasonirina Andrianaivo, R&D Orange Labs - France Telecom and Kangni Kpodar, IMF

Discussant: Tanja Gabriele Faller, AfDB

2. An African Type "MIGA" and Infrastructure-indexed Bonds: Potential Means for Financing Africa's Infrastructure Agenda / Joseph Atta-Mensah, UNECA

Discussant: Henri Ngoa Tabi, Centre d'Etudes et de Recherche en Economie et Gestion (CEREG)

3. African Development Bank Group's Financial Sector Strategy and Action Plan (FSSAP) / Gabriel Negatu, AfDB

Discussant: Walter Owuor Odero, AfDB**Session I.2.2 PRIVATE SECTOR DEVELOPMENT**

Room: Didon II

Chair: Pedro Conceicao, UNDP

1. Informality and Productivity in West Africa: A Firm-Level Analysis / Nancy C. Benjamin, The World Bank and Ahmadou Aly Mbaye, University Cheikh Anta Diop

Discussant: Peter Ondiege, AfDB

2. Impact of the Business Environment on Output and Productivity in Africa / El-hadj Bah, The University of Auckland and Lei Fang, The Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

Discussant: Mohamed Hassan, Egyptian Center for Economic Studies**Session I.2.3 DOMESTIC RESOURCE MOBILIZATION AND REMITTANCES**

Room: Top Hat

Chair: Mohammad Kisubi, AfDB

1. The Effectiveness of Remittances and Foreign Aid in Promoting Savings and Investment in Sub-Saharan Africa / Yéro Baldé, Université de Limoges

Discussant: Olivier Manlan, UNDP

2. The Imperatives for Domestic Resource Mobilization for Sustained Post-Crisis Recovery and Growth in Sub-Saharan Africa / Eric Kehinde Ogunleye, African Center for Economic Transformation and Desire Adebimpe Fashina, Nigeria

Discussant: Barfour Osei, AfDB**Special Session I.2.4 MAKING FINANCE WORK FOR AFRICA**

Room: Didon III

Chair: Mthuli Ncube, AfDB**Presenter:** Issa Faye and Thouraya Triki, AfDB / Financing Africa through the crisis and beyond: Evidence from North Africa**Panelist:** Stefan Nalletamby, AfDB**Panelist:** Mohammed Omran, The Egyptian Stock Exchange**Panelist:** Ghada Waly, Egyptian Financial Supervisory Authority**Panelist:** Ismail Douiri, Attijariwafa Bank**Panelist:** Ziad Oueslati, Tuninvest Finance Group**Panelist:** Khaled F. Zentuti, Libyan Investment Authority - Long-term Investment Portfolio**Panelist:** Choab El Hassar, Bank of Algeria

18:15 - 19:30	<p>Initiative Launch: "Gender and Economic Policy Management Initiative-Africa (GEPMI-Africa)" / UNDP, United Nations African Institute for Economic Development and Planning (IDEP/UNECA) and AfDB Room: Sidi Bou Saïd</p> <p>Chair: Donald Kaberuka, President, AfDB Chair: Tegegnework Gettu, Assistant Secretary-General and Director of the Regional Bureau for Africa, UNDP Presenter: H.E. David Phiri, Deputy Minister of Finance and National Planning, Zambia Presenter: Pedersen Mogens, AfDB Administrator and Executive Director Presenter: Winnie Byanyima, Director UNDP Gender Team</p>
19:30	Cocktail
DAY 2: 28 October 2010	
8:30-10:30	<p>2nd PLENARY SESSION - Rethinking Development Financing Options for Africa in the Post-Crisis Era Room: Sidi Bou Saïd</p> <p>Chair: Mthuli Ncube, AfDB Presenter: François Bourguignon, Paris School of Economics Presenter: Pierre Jacquet, Agence Française de Développement Presenter: Nancy Birdsall, Center for Global Development Discussant: Olu Ajakaiye, African Economic Research Consortium (AERC)</p>
10:30-10:45	Tea/Coffee Break
10:45-12:45	<p>CONCURRENT SEMINARS</p> <p>Session II.1.1 MONETARY AND FISCAL POLICIES Room: Didon I Chair: Steve Kayizzi-Mugerwa, AfDB</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pro Cyclicity of Fiscal Policy and Fiscal Rules in African Currency Unions / S. Guillaumont Jeanneney and Sampawende J-A Tapsoba, Université d'Auvergne Discussant: Issa Faye, AfDB 2. Fiscal Policy for Growth in Africa in Light of the Crisis / Kathie Krumm & Chandana Kularatne, The World Bank Discussant: John Mary Matovu, Economic Policy Research Centre 3. Post Crisis Monetary Policy Frameworks in Sub Saharan Africa / Louis Kasekende and Martin Brownbridge, Bank of Uganda Discussant: Taoufik Rajhi, AfDB <p>Session II.1.2 CHINA-AFRICA TRADE Room: Didon II Chair: Alex Rugamba, AfDB</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Path to Mutual Prosperity? The Trade and Investment between China and Africa / Xiao Ye, The World Bank Discussant: Peter Robleh, UNECA 2. Growth by Destination (Where You Export Matters): Trade with China and Growth in African Countries / Mina Baliaoune-Lutz, University of North Florida Discussant: Richard Schiere, AfDB <p>Session II.1.3 GOVERNANCE ISSUES Room: Top Hat Chair: Abdallah Hamdock, UNECA</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Governance, Financial Liberalization, and Financial Development in Sub-Saharan Africa / John Karikari, US Government Accountability Office Discussant: Chigomezgo Mtegha, AfDB 2. Official Development Assistance, Governance and Economic Growth: What Are the Implications for Sub-Saharan Africa? / Douzounet Mallaye, Université de Yaoundé II Discussant: Gaston Gohou, AfDB

	<p>Special Session II.1.4 VISION 2050 Room: Didon III Chair: Pierre Jacquet, Agence Française de Développement Panelist: Uri Dadush, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Panelist: John Page, Brookings Institution Panelist: Robert Okello, Uganda Industrial Research Institute Panelist: Franklyn Lisk, University of Warwick Panelist: Banji Oyelaran-Oyeyinka, UNU-MERIT</p>
12:45–14:00	Lunch
14:00-16:00	<p>3rd PLENARY PANEL - Global Economy, Commodities and Africa Room: Sidi Bou Saïd</p> <p>Moderator: Lerato Mbele, CNBC Africa Panelist: Shenggen Fan, International Food Policy Research Institute Panelist: André Roux, Investec Asset Management Panelist: Mthuli Ncube, AfDB Panelist: Eyesus Zafu, Ethiopian Chamber of Commerce and Sectoral Associations Panelist: Amany Asfour, Egyptian Business Women Association Panelist: Kwaku Owusu-Baah, the Inter-African Coffee Organization (IACO)</p>
16:00-16:15	Tea/Coffee Break
16:15-18:15	<p>CONCURRENT SEMINARS</p> <p>Session II.2.1 HUMAN CAPITAL Room: Didon I Chair: Colleen Zamba, UNDP 1. Does Human Capital Protect Workers against Exogenous Shocks? South Africa in the 2008 – 2009 Crisis / Ronald Leung, Oxford Center for Study of African Economies, Marco Stampini and Désiré Vencatatchellum, AfDB Discussant: Nora Aleki, IRES 2. Education and Economic Development in Africa / Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, University of South Florida Discussant: Amarakoon Banda, UNDP</p> <p>Session II.2.2 TRADE ISSUES Room: Didon II Chair: Joseph Atta-Mensah, UNECA 1. Surmounting Africa's Trade Capacity Constraints: An Assessment of the Effectiveness of the Aid for Trade / Stephen Karingi and Vincent Leyaro, UNECA Discussant: Victor Davies, AfDB 2. A Decade (2000-2010) of African-US Trade under the African Growth Opportunities Act (AGOA): Challenges, Opportunities and a Framework for Post-AGOA Engagement / Laura Páez, Stephen Karingi, UNECA, Mwangi Kimenyi, Brookings Institute and Mekalia Paulos, UNECA Discussant: Kennedy Mbekeani, AfDB</p> <p>Session II.2.3 FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT Room: Top Hat Chair: Lee Kangho, Ministry of Strategy and Finance, Korea 1. Financial Development and Income Inequality: Evidence from African Countries / Michael Enowbi Batuo, University of East London, Francesco Guidi, University of Greenwich and Kupukile Mlambo, AfDB Discussant: Albert Mafusire, AfDB 2. Bank Intermediation and Risk-Taking in Africa: Does Protection of Creditor Rights Matter? / Tianshu Zhao, University of Stirling, Victor Murinde, University of Birmingham and Kupukile Mlambo, AfDB Discussant: Ashie Mukungu, AfDB</p>

	<p>Special Session II.2.4 MIGRATION, REMITTANCES AND INNOVATIVE FINANCE IN AFRICA Room: Didon III Chair: Charles Lufumpa, AfDB Panelist: Dilip Ratha, The World Bank Panelist: Sonia Plaza, The World Bank Panelist: Abebe Shimeles, AfDB Discussant: Ndubisi Nwokoma, UNECA</p>
19:00	<p>CONFERENCE DINNER Restaurant La Cascade Master of Ceremony: Kordje Bedoumra, African Development Bank Speaker: H.E. Sanusi Lamido, Governor Central Bank of Nigeria</p>
20:00	<p>Dinner</p>
<p>DAY 3: 29 October 2010</p>	
8:30-10:30	<p>ROUND TABLE - From Recovery to High Sustainable Growth: Policy Options for Africa Room: Sidi Bou Said</p> <p>Moderator: James Makawa, The Africa Channel Panelist: Willene A. Johnson, Komaza Panelist: Mthuli Ncube, AfDB Panelist: Samson Muradzikwa, DBSA Panelist: H.E. Maxwell Mkwesalamba, African Union Commission Panelist: Emmanuel Nnadozie, UNECA Discussant: Paatii Ofosu-Amaah, AfDB</p>
10:30-10:45	<p>Tea/Coffee Break</p>
10:45-12:45	<p>CONCURRENT SEMINARS</p> <p>Session III.1.1 CASH TRANSFER PROGRAMS Room: Didon I Chair: Olivier Manlan, UNDP 1. Targeting in Kenya's Cash Transfer Programme for Orphans and Vulnerable Children / Wei Ha, Jingqing Chai and Carlos Alviar UNICEF Discussant: Gisela Geisler, AfDB 2. The Impact of Social Cash Transfers on Household Economic Decision Making and Development in Eastern and Southern Africa / Alberto Zezza, The World Bank, Benedicte de la Briere, FAO and Benjamin Davis, UNICEF Discussant: Idrissa Diagne, UNDP 3. Targeting effectiveness of Social Cash Transfer Programs in Three African Countries / Sudhanshu Handa, Carolyn Huang, University of North Carolina, Nicola Hypher, Save the Children, Clarissa Texeira, Fabio Veras, International Discussant: Giorgia Giovannetti, European University Institute</p> <p>Session III.1.2 ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES Room: Didon II Chair: Mwangi Kimenyi, Brookings Institute 1. Environmental Conservation as an Engine for Economic Growth: Testing the Validity of Environmental Kuznets Curve on Carbon Emissions for Kenya / Mercyline W. Kamande, University of Dares Salaam Discussant: Marco Stampini, AfDB 2. Fiscal Space and Carbon Sequestration in Ethiopia: A Potential Non-traditional Source of of Development Finance to Meet the MDGs / Abdoulie Sireh-Jallow, Islamic Development Bank Discussant: Albert Ondo Ossa, Laboratoire d'Economie Appliquée (LEA)</p> <p>Session III.1.3 AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SECURITY Room: Top Hat Chair: Diop Ibrahima Thione, Centre de Recherches Economiques Appliquées (CREA) 1. Tracing Spatial Dimension of Food Insecurity, a First Step to a Strategic Move to Combat Food Insecurity: The Case of South Africa / Zerihun Alemu, DBSA Discussant: Mansour Ndiaye, UNDP 2. Food Security and Human Development in Africa: Strategic Considerations and Directions for Further Research / Pedro Conceição, Leo Horn-Phathanothai and Anthony Ngororano, UNDP Discussant: Adeleke Salami, AfDB</p>

	<p>Special Session III.1.4 EVALUATION AS A DRIVER OF ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND LONG-TERM GROWTH: PATTERNS AND DIRECTIONS IN AFRICA Room: Didon III</p> <p>Chair: Aloysius Ordu, AfDB</p> <p>Presenter: Benoît Chervelier, DG Trésor, France / The Political Economy of Evaluation: the Aid Effectiveness Agenda and Recent Development in Evaluation</p> <p>Presenter: Guy Blaise Nkamleu, AfDB / Improving Effectiveness in Agriculture and Rural Development in Africa: Lessons Learnt from Evaluations</p> <p>Presenter: Albert-Enéas Gakusi, AfDB / Human Capital Development in Africa: Lessons Learnt from Evaluations</p> <p>Presenter: Colin Kirk, AfDB / Making Evaluation Matter for African Development</p>
12:45-14:00	Lunch
14:00-14:30	<p>CLOSING SESSION Room: Sidi Bou Saïd</p> <p>Speaker: Emmanuel Nnadozie, Director, Economic Development and NEPAD Division, UNECA</p> <p>Speaker: Pedro Conceicao, Chief Economist, Regional Bureau for Africa, UNDP</p> <p>Speaker: Mthuli Ncube, Chief Economist, AfDB</p>
14:30-15:00	<p>Press Conference Room: Sidi Bou Saïd</p>