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**DRAFT PROGRAMME****High level Forum:****The Africa We Want in 2030, 2063 and Beyond**

*Early Action and Results on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, in the context of the First Ten-Year Implementation Plan of Africa's Transformative Agenda 2063: Opportunities and Challenges*

Co-organized by OSAA, Government of Sweden and the African Union

Wednesday, 20 April 2016,  
CR2, UNHQ, New York

20 April 2016

10:00-11:30pm	<p><b>OPENING SESSION</b></p> <p><b><u>Welcome Remarks:</u></b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>His Excellency Mr. Mogens Lykketoft</u></b>, President of the 70<sup>th</sup> Session of the General Assembly (CONFIRMED)</li> <li>• <b><u>His Excellency Mr. Jan Eliasson</u></b>, Deputy Secretary-General, United Nations (CONFIRMED)</li> <li>• <b><u>High level representative of the Government of Sweden</u></b> (to be announced).</li> <li>• <b><u>His Excellency Mr. Idriss Deby Itno</u></b>, President of the Republic of Chad and Chairperson of the African Union</li> <li>• <b><u>His Excellency Mr. Erastus J.O. Mwencha</u></b>, Deputy Chairperson of the African Union Commission (CONFIRMED)</li> </ul>	<p>Moderator: Mr. Maged A. Abdelaziz, Under-Secretary General and Special Adviser on Africa</p>
11:30-1:00pm	<p><b>INTERACTIVE THEMATIC DEBATE</b></p> <p><b>Towards Transformative Economic Growth and Regional Integration in Africa</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>High level representative of the Government of Sweden</u></b> (to be announced)</li> <li>• <b><u>His Excellency Mr. Macky Sall</u></b>, President of Senegal and Chairperson of the NEPAD Heads of State and Government Orientation Committee (HSGOC)</li> <li>• <b><u>Her Excellency Dr. Ellen Johnson Sirleaf</u></b>, President of the Republic of Liberia and Chairperson of the African Union High Level Committee on the Post-2015 Development Agenda</li> <li>• <b><u>His Excellency Mahmoud Mohieldin</u></b>, Senior Vice President for</li> </ul>	<p>Moderator: TBC</p>

	<p>the 2030 Development Agenda, United Nations Relations and Partnerships, World Bank Group (CONFIRMED)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>His Excellency Dr. Anthony Mothae Maruping</u></b>, Commissioner for Economic Affairs, African Union Commission (CONFIRMED)</li> </ul>	
1:00-3:00pm	Lunch Break	
3:00-4:30pm	<p><b>INTERACTIVE THEMATIC DEBATE</b></p> <p><b>Empowering African Women: Gender as the agenda</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Rt Honourable Dr. Diane Gashumba</u></b>, Minister of Gender and Family Promotion, Republic of Rwanda</li> <li>• <b><u>Her Excellency Ms. Ségolène Royal</u></b>, Minister for Environment, Sustainable Development and Energy, France</li> <li>• <b><u>His Excellency Mr. Neven Mimica</u></b>, Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission</li> <li>• <b><u>Ms. Winnie Byanyima</u></b>, Executive Director of Oxfam International (CONFIRMED)</li> <li>• <b><u>Ms. Mahawa Kaba Wheeler</u></b>, Head of Women and Gender Development Department, AUC (CONFIRMED)</li> </ul>	Moderator: TBC
4:30-5:40pm	<p><b>INTERACTIVE THEMATIC DEBATE</b></p> <p><b>Consolidating Peace and Security in Africa</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>His Excellency Mr. Uhuru Kenyatta</u></b>, President of Kenya and Chair of the African Peer Review Mechanism</li> <li>• <b><u>Rt Honourable Justine Greening MP</u></b>, Secretary of State for International Development, United Kingdom of Great Britain</li> <li>• <b><u>His Excellency Mr. Smail Chergui</u></b>, Commissioner for Peace and Security, the African Union Commission</li> <li>• <b><u>Her Excellency Ms. Bineta Diop</u></b>, Special Envoy of the Chairperson of the African Union Commission on Women, Peace and Security (CONFIRMED)</li> </ul>	Moderator: TBC
5:40-6:00 pm	<p><b>CLOSING SESSION</b></p> <p><b><u>Closing Remarks:</u></b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Her Excellency Ms. Isabella Lövin</u></b>, Minister of International Development Cooperation of Sweden (CONFIRMED)</li> <li>• <b><u>Dr. Anthony Mothae Maruping</u></b>, Commissioner for Economic Affairs, African Union Commission (CONFIRMED)</li> <li>• <b><u>Mr. Maged A. Abdelaziz</u></b>, Under-Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Africa (CONFIRMED)</li> </ul>	Moderator: TBC
6:00-8:30pm	End of Forum Reception - by invitation only	