

**AFRICAN REGIONAL REVIEW MEETING ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
THE ALMATY PROGRAMME OF ACTION, 16-18 JULY 2013, ADDIS ABABA,
ETHIOPIA**

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK

Tuesday, 16 July 2013

Morning Session *Chair: ECA/OHRLLS*

09.30 – 10:00

Opening Remarks

*Moderator: Stephen Karingi, Director, Regional
Integration and Trade Division, ECA*

- Statement by AUC
- Statement by Mr. Gyan Chandra Acharya, Secretary General of the Second UN Conference on LLDCs, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (OHRLLS)
- Statement by H.E. Mr Saleumxay Kommasith, Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission of the Lao People's Democratic Republic to the United Nations and Chairman of the Group of LLDCs
- Statement by H.E. Mr. Ahmed Shide, State Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia
- Statement by Mr. Carlos Lopes, UN Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of ECA
- Adoption of programme of work

10:00 – 11:00

Report on the status of implementation of the Almaty Programme of Action

Global perspective (UN-OHRLLS)

African perspective (ECA)

Fostering *Structural Transformation* in African LLDCs (UNCTAD)

11:00 – 11: 15 **Coffee Break**

11:15 – 12:30 Discussion on the presentations

12:45 – 14:30 **Lunch Break**

Afternoon Session *Chair: AUC*

14:30 – 16:00 Regional and sub-regional infrastructure and trade facilitation initiatives: presentations by:

- AUC (Progress in Trans-African Highways)
- Corridor Organisations
- RECs

16:00 – 16:15 **Coffee Break**

16:15 – 17:30 Discussion on presentations

Wednesday, 17 July 2013

Morning Session *Chair: ECA*

Country experiences (achievements and challenges) on (i) fundamental transit policy issues; (ii) infrastructure development and maintenance; and (iii) international trade and trade facilitation

9:30 – 11:00 Presentation by Landlocked Countries & discussion

11:00 – 11:15 **Coffee Break**

11:15 – 12:30 Presentation by Transit Countries & discussion

12:30 – 14:00 **Lunch Break**

Afternoon Session *Chair: OHRLLS*

14:00 – 14:45 International support measures
Presentation by international organisation (UNCTAD, World Bank, IRU) and donors & discussion

14:45 – 15:30 Implementation and review

	Presentation by OHRLLS & discussion
15:30 – 16:15	Presentation by the private sector & discussion
16:15 – 16:30	Coffee Break
16:30 – 17:15	Wrap-up

Thursday, 18 July 2013

Chair: ECA

9:00 – 13:00	Preparation of draft meeting report by Secretariat
16:00 – 17:00	Adoption of draft meeting report
17:00 – 18:00	Closing Remarks