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Day 1: Thursday 20 May 2010

- 08:30 - 09:00** **Registration**
- 09:00 - 9:30** **Agenda Item 1: Opening Ceremony**
- Opening Remarks by African Union
 - Statement by ECOWAS Commission
 - Welcome address by Representative of Government of Nigeria
- 09:30 - 09:45** **Agenda Item 2:** Adoption of Agenda and Organisation of Work
- 09:45 - 10:00** **Coffee Break**
- 10:00 - 12:30** **Agenda Item 3:** Presentations on the State of play of the EPA Negotiations.
- Presentations by representatives of:
 - SADC EPA , EAC, ESA, ECOWAS,ECCAS
- 12:30 - 14:00** **Lunch Break**
- 14:00 - 14:45** **Agenda Item 4:** Presentation on the State of play of WTO negotiations
- Presentation by the Coordinator of the African Group in WTO
- 14:45 - 15:45** **Agenda Item 5:** The Lisbon Treaty and EPA Negotiations
- Presentation by ECDPM
- 15:45 - 16:00** **Coffee Break**
- 16:00 - 17:00** **Agenda Item 6:** Regional Trade Integration –the effects of EPAs on the Tripartite FTA
- Presentations by representatives of:
 - SADC, EAC, COMESA

Day 2, Friday 21 May 2010

- 09:00 - 10:00** **Agenda Item 7:** State of Play of the harmonisation of Rules of Origin
- Presentation by the AU Customs Division
- 10:00 - 10:15** **Coffee Break**
- 10:15 - 12:30** **Agenda item 8:** Roundtable discussion on the theme “***What Stakes for the EPA Development Program, the Next Steps Forward on EPA negotiations***”
- 12:30 - 14:00** **Lunch break**
- 14:00 - 17:00** *Preparation of the report of the meeting*
- 17:00 - 17:40** **Agenda Item 9:** Presentation and adoption of Report of the meeting
- Presentation by the African Union Commission
- 17:40 - 18:00** **Agenda item 10:** Closing Ceremony
- Brief closing statements by AU and ECOWAS Commissions
 - Closing Remarks by Representative of the Government of Nigeria