



**2<sup>nd</sup> EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE  
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ARUSHA, UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA**

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**DRAFT PROGRAMME OF WORK**

**Meeting of Senior Officials  
on Commodities**

**21 – 22 November, 2005**

## **SUNDAY 20 NOVEMBER, 2005**

### **Registration**

## **MONDAY 21 NOVEMBER, 2005**

### **Morning:**

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| 08:00 – 9.30         | Registration of Delegates   |
| 9.15 – 9.30          | Meeting of Heads of Delegations   |
| 9:30 – 10:30         | <b><u>Agenda item 1: Opening Ceremony</u></b><br>Statement by UNDP<br>Statement by UNCTAD<br>Statement by CFC<br>Statement by AU Commission<br>Statement by Representative of Host Government |
| <b>10:30 - 10:45</b> | <b>Tea/Coffee Break</b>   |
| <b>10.45 – 11.00</b> | <b><u>Agenda Item 2: Election of Bureau</u></b><br><b><u>Agenda Item 3: Adoption of the Agenda</u></b><br><b><u>Agenda Item 4: Organisation of Work</u></b>                                   |
| <b>11:00 – 12.30</b> | <b><u>Agenda Item 5: Plenary Presentation of, and discussions on the report of the seminar on African Commodities : Problems and Strategic Options</u></b>                                    |



**12:30 – 14:00**                      **Lunch**

**Afternoon**

**14:00 - 16:00**                      **Agenda Item 6: Presentations on general commodity issues**

**Committee 1:** Presentation of, and general discussions on the World Commodity situation, its impact on Africa and improving the competitiveness of the African Commodity sector.

**Committee 2:** Presentation of, and general discussions on developments in the African Commodity Exchange.

**16.00 – 16.30**                      **Coffee Break**

**16.30 – 18.00**                      **Agenda Item 7:**

- i) Plenary Presentation of, and general discussions on Enhancing Commodity Finance and Managing shocks in Africa; and**
- ii) Presentation of, and general discussions on the technical requirements for the establishment of a Commodity Exchange.**

**TUESDAY 22 NOVEMBER, 2005**

**9.00 – 10.30**                      **Agenda Item 8: Discussion on Policy Strategies**

**Committee 1:** Discussion on Policies and Actions to Improve Competitiveness and Promote Diversification



**Committee 2:** Discussion on the Required Policy Environment, Institutional and Legal Framework for the development of the Commodity Exchange

**10.30 – 11.00**

**Coffee Break**

**11.00 – 12.30**

**Agenda Item 9: Discussion on the Organisation and Protection of the Commodity Sector**

**Committee 1:** Discussion on Managing Commodity Shocks

**Committee 2:** Discussion on the Relative Merits of National and Regional Exchanges as well as their Complementarities

**12.30 – 15.00**

**Lunch**

**Afternoon**

**15:00 – 16.00**

**Agenda Item 10: Consideration of Proposals of Inputs by the two Committees to the Draft Ministerial Declaration on Commodities**

**16.00 – 19.00:**

Drafting of the Ministerial Declaration

**19.00 – 20.00:**

**Agenda Item 11: Adoption of the draft Ministerial Declaration on Commodities**

