

*African Ministerial Conference on the Environment***African Ministerial Conference on the Environment****Seventeenth session**

Expert segment

Durban, South Africa, 11–13 November 2019

**Provisional agenda**

1. Opening of the session.
2. Organizational matters:
  - (a) Election of officers;
  - (b) Adoption of the agenda and the programme of work.
3. Consideration of the report of the secretariat.
4. Taking action for environmental sustainability and prosperity in Africa:
  - (a) Promoting a circular economy in Africa;
  - (b) Promoting biodiversity economy and natural capital accounting in Africa;
  - (c) Advancing the blue/ocean economy in Africa;
  - (d) Enhancing the implementation of the decisions of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment.
5. Climate change:
  - (a) Outcomes of Climate Action Summit 2019 and preparations for the twenty-fifth session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change;
  - (b) Briefing on the Climate and Clean Air Coalition to Reduce Short-Lived Climate Pollutants: clean air, health and climate change;
  - (c) Briefing on scientific, research and observation issues by the African Ministerial Conference on Meteorology;
  - (d) Policy implications and financing opportunities for the implementation of nationally determined contributions in Africa.
6. United Nations Environment Assembly:
  - (a) Report of the fourth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly and the status of the implementation of the resolutions sponsored by the African Group;
  - (b) Engagement of the African Group, lessons learned and the way forward;
  - (c) Position of the African Group on possible themes for the fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly.
7. Other issues related to sustainable development in Africa:
  - (a) Outcomes of the fourteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa, and their implications for Africa;

- (b) Outcomes of the eighteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, and their implications for Africa;
  - (c) Preparations for the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and the Pan-African Action Agenda on Ecosystem Restoration for Increased Resilience;
  - (d) African Environment Partnership Platform;
  - (e) Implementation of the Revised African Convention on the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (Maputo Convention);
  - (f) Preparations for the third meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Bamako Convention on the Ban of the Import into Africa and the Control of Transboundary Movement and Management of Hazardous Wastes within Africa.
8. Trust fund of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment.
  9. Breakout sessions.
  10. Consideration of the draft declaration, decisions and key messages.
  11. Adoption of the report of the expert segment.
  12. Other matters.
  13. Closure of the expert segment.
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