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### **African Ministerial Conference on the Environment**

#### **Eighteenth session**

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and Dakar, 12–16 September 2022

Expert segment

Dakar, 12–14 September 2022\*

## **Annotated provisional agenda\*\***

### **I. Introduction**

1. In accordance with paragraph 1 of article 9 of its Constitution, the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment (AMCEN) holds its ordinary sessions once every two or three years. An offer by the Government of Senegal to host the eighteenth session was accepted by the Conference at its seventeenth session, held in Durban, South Africa, from 11 to 15 November 2019.
2. In view of the situation caused by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, and after consultation with the Bureau of the Conference, it was agreed that the eighteenth session of the Conference should be held in two parts. The first part of the eighteenth session was held online from 13 to 16 September 2021. Substantive matters that required in-depth negotiations were deferred to a resumed, in-person meeting of the session, to be held in 2022.
3. Pursuant to the above, the resumed eighteenth session will be held from 12 to 16 September 2022 at the King Fahd Palace Hotel in Dakar, Senegal. It will consist of an expert segment, to be held from 12 to 14 September, and a ministerial segment, to be held on 15 and 16 September 2022.
4. The Bureau of the Conference considered and adopted a provisional agenda for the expert segment of the resumed eighteenth session, which is set out in document AMCEN/18(II)/EGM/1.
5. The secretariat has distributed an information note on the resumed eighteenth session (document AMCEN/18(II)/INF/1). A list of the documents prepared for the session is provided in annex I to the present document and the programme of work is set out in annex II.

### **II. Objectives and overview of the resumed eighteenth session**

6. The focus of the resumed eighteenth session is the need for a people-centred recovery that focuses on people's well-being through environmental actions that create jobs and improve livelihoods. Accordingly, the session will review environmental challenges and opportunities in Africa in the post-Covid-19 era and consider other issues related to sustainable development in Africa, as well as the effective functioning of the Conference. The session will therefore be held under the theme: "*Securing people's well-being and ensuring environmental sustainability in Africa*". The theme

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\* In accordance with the decision taken at the meeting of the Bureau of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment held on 26 May 2022, the eighteenth session of the Conference, which was adjourned on 16 September 2021, will resume as an in-person meeting in Dakar from 12 to 16 September 2022.

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builds on the focus of the seventeenth ordinary session of the Conference on Taking Action for Environmental Sustainability and Prosperity in Africa.

7. The resumed eighteenth session of the Conference will be an opportunity for ministers to provide policy guidance for the effective participation of African countries in the upcoming key global environmental events, including the twenty-seventh session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change scheduled to take place from 6 to 18 November 2022 in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt; and the resumed fifteenth session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity to be held in Montreal, Canada, from 5 to 17 December 2022.

8. The session will also provide an opportunity for the delegates to be briefed on the outcomes of the resumed fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly, the status of implementation of the resolutions that were adopted at that session, including the development of an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, with a focus on the organization of Africa's participation in the intergovernmental negotiating committee as well as key issues for the continent on plastic pollution.

9. The session will provide an opportunity for countries to reflect on the outcomes of the fifteenth session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification that took place in Abidjan from 9 to 20 May 2022 and agree on the way forward, including the call for the development of an instrument on land degradation and the need for a group of countries that should represent Africa in these negotiations.

10. The resumed eighteenth session will offer an opportunity to discuss other pertinent issues, including matters related to soils governance in Africa; phasing out of open burning and dumping of waste; antimicrobial resistance; enhancing the role of the Environment Protection Agencies in Africa; progress in the development of an African Oceans Governance Strategy; engagement of the Conference with other sectors, especially ministries of finance, planning and economic development; contributions to the general trust fund of the Conference, and review of the implementation of decisions adopted at previous sessions of the Conference.

11. The expert group will bring the above matters to the attention of ministers, providing drafts of the outcome document, decisions and key messages to ministers for their consideration during the ministerial segment.

### **III. Items of the provisional agenda**

#### **Item 1**

##### **Opening of the meeting**

12. The representative of the President of the Conference, Senegal, will deliver a welcoming statement. The representatives of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), as secretariat of the Conference, and of the African Union Commission will also make opening statements.

#### **Item 2**

##### **Organizational matters**

13. In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of the Conference and its rules of procedure, the expert group segment will be conducted under the auspices of the Bureau of the eighteenth session. Accordingly, the representative of the President of the Conference, the Minister for Environment and Sustainable Development of Senegal, will chair the expert group segment, while the representative of the Vice-President of the Conference, Sudan, will serve as Rapporteur. In the absence of either of those Bureau members, a Bureau meeting will be convened on the eve of the opening of the resumed eighteenth session to take stock of the management of the Conference and decide which Bureau members will be assigned responsibilities during the session.

14. The Bureau of the Conference currently comprises the following members:

- (a) President: Senegal
- (b) Vice-Presidents: Botswana, Democratic Republic of the Congo and Mauritania
- (c) Vice-President and Rapporteur: Sudan

**(a) Adoption of the agenda**

15. The experts may wish to adopt the agenda based on the provisional agenda (document AMCEN/18(II)/EGM/1).

**(b) Organization of work**

16. The experts may wish to adopt the programme of work contained in annex II to the present document.

17. The expert group may wish to establish such working groups as it may deem necessary. The Chair will invite experts to join any such groups and make their choices known to the secretariat by close of business on the first day of the meeting.

18. A representative of the secretariat will present an introduction, an overview of the objectives of the meeting and information on the working groups.

**Item 3****Consideration of the report of the secretariat of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment**

19. The secretariat will introduce a report on the activities of the Conference during the 2019–2022 inter-sessional period (document AMCEN/18(II)/2).

**Item 4****Addressing environmental challenges and opportunities in Africa in the post-COVID-19 era:****(a) Enhancing implementation of decisions of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment, including the Africa green stimulus programme**

20. During the eighth special session of AMCEN, held online on 4 December 2020, the Conference considered and adopted the Africa green stimulus programme, an African-led initiative to support the continent's recovery in a sustainable manner in the context of the socioeconomic and environmental impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Considerable progress has been made in the implementation of the stimulus programme.

21. The secretariat will give a brief presentation on the progress achieved, the details of which are set out in document AMCEN/18(II)/3.

**(b) Enhancing the role of environmental protection agencies in Africa**

22. Most African countries have established some form of national environment protection agency or environment management agency. Despite the importance of environment protection agencies in solving environmental challenges faced by the continent, there is currently no forum for those agencies to meet, discuss and find solutions within their mandates.

23. A platform is needed for environment protection agencies across Africa to enhance collaboration on operational and technical matters and to exchange information and best practices with other environmental agencies.

24. A representative of the secretariat will deliver a brief presentation on the matter. The secretariat has also prepared a background note on the subject, document AMCEN/18(II)/4.

**(c) Collaboration between the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment and African ministers for finance and economic planning**

25. It is increasingly apparent that environmental issues are too significant to be addressed by any single entity but instead require the concerted efforts of all sectors. Encouraging alliances between the finance, economic development, and environment sectors offers opportunities to accelerate environment and climate action, which will enable a policy and regulatory environment that will incentivize and operationalize solutions for achieving Agendas 2030 and 2063.

26. With the above in mind, the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment should forge deliberate steps to actively engage with the Ministers of Finance and Economic Planning with a view

to having a sustainable, long-term collaboration that will ensure impactful, innovative socio-economic and environmental transformation of Africa.

27. A representative of the secretariat will make a short introduction of the sub-item. The secretariat has also prepared a background note on the subject, document AMCEN/18(II)/5

**(d) Phasing out of open burning of waste in Africa**

28. Open dumping and burning of waste occur widely across Africa due to a lack of waste management infrastructure. This results in the discharge of numerous environmental pollutants, including short-lived climate pollutants that create health hazards and contribute to climate change.

29. Attempting to address the problem of open burning through piecemeal and isolated interventions at one or another point of the waste management system would be neither effective nor efficient. There is an urgent need to initiate policy interventions and processes that will lead to phasing out of open dumping and open burning of waste in Africa.

30. A representative of the secretariat will give a short presentation on the matter. The secretariat has also prepared a background note on the subject, document AMCEN/18(II)/6.

**(e) Fostering sustainable soil governance in Africa**

31. Despite the essential role of soil, degradation of soil resources has been on the rise due to inappropriate practices, burgeoning population pressures and inadequate governance. The already enormous pressure on soils is continuously increasing owing to various factors, including poverty, overexploitation, population growth and climate change.

32. For soil to fulfil its ecological functions, including the dimensions that affect society, it must be given legal status as a natural resource whose ecological services must be maintained and fostered. It is crucial for member States to have an effective presence of policy, institutional and legislative measures to protect the soil, which in turn safeguards the plant, animal and human life that depends on healthy soil.

33. A representative of the secretariat will deliver a presentation on the matter, the details of which are set out in document AMCEN/18(II)/7.

**(f) Progress in the development of an African ocean governance strategy**

34. Despite the recognition that Africa's oceans are some of the richest environmental resources in the world, their importance as a source of income for steering the growth of African economies is yet to be fully tapped. In recognition of the enormous value of healthy oceans to Africa's development, the Conference, at its fifteenth session, held in 2015, adopted the Cairo Declaration on Managing Africa's Natural Capital for Sustainable Development and Poverty Eradication, in which it resolved to develop a governance strategy.

35. In response to the decisions of the Conference, the United Nations Environment Programme, as the secretariat of the Conference, carried out background studies and organized three consultative meetings on ocean governance. The three consultative meetings confirmed that there is a need for an overarching governance framework to be established under the strategy.

36. A representative of the secretariat will a brief presentation on the progress achieved, the details of which are set out in document AMCEN/18(II)/8.

**(g) Antimicrobial resistance**

37. Antimicrobials have contributed to reducing infectious diseases in humans, animals and plants for decades. However, scientific evidence strongly indicates that antimicrobial resistance represents significant vulnerability in all countries, especially in Africa. A direct result of antimicrobial resistance is an increasing trend in severe illnesses and deaths and increases in health-associated costs, including lowered population productivity.

38. There is an immediate need for African governments and especially the ministries of environment to take ambitious, collaborative action with other stakeholders to prevent and minimize the adverse impacts of environmental pollution in exacerbating the unfolding regional and global antimicrobial resistance crisis. Deliberate efforts must also be made to bring together all 'One Health' sectors at the national level to build synergies and create co-benefits in the fight against antimicrobial resistance while also contributing to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

39. A representative of the secretariat will provide a brief presentation on this matter. The secretariat has also prepared a background note on the subject, document AMCEN/18(II)/9

## **Item 5**

### **Outcomes of the twenty-sixth session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, and preparations for the twenty-seventh session**

40. The twenty-seventh session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change will take place from 6 to 18 November 2022 in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt. It will advance the global climate talks, mobilize action, and provide a significant opportunity to look at the impacts of climate change in Africa.

41. The Chair of the African Group of Negotiators on climate change will provide a summary of the outcomes of the twenty-sixth session of the Conference of the Parties and then give an overview, analysis and progress update on climate change negotiations and on matters outstanding in the preparations for the twenty-seventh session of the Conference of the Parties.

42. Subsequently, brief presentations will be given on the following climate change-related topics. The presentations are intended to introduce the topics, enabling a more detailed discussion during the working group sessions.

#### **(a) Integrated assessment of air pollution and climate change for sustainable development in Africa**

43. At its seventeenth session, the Conference emphasized the benefits of improving air quality, including through managing and, as nationally appropriate, reducing short-lived climate pollutants in the environment, agriculture, health and forest conservation sectors, while responding to the aspirations of Agenda 2063 of the African Union and the Sustainable Development Goals, noting the need for an assessment of the linkages between policies to address air pollution and policies to address climate change.

44. The assessment is a scientifically led process on the role and potential of emission mitigation strategies to support development, health and well-being in Africa. It brings together practitioners working across Africa to address the growing air pollution and associated climate threats while promoting capacity building and action to reduce air pollution with a focus on short-lived climate pollutants in the context of long-lived greenhouse gas strategies.

45. A representative of the assessment team will make a short presentation on the integrated assessment of air pollution and climate change.

#### **(b) Africa Adaptation Initiative**

46. The Africa adaptation initiative was developed by the Conference and the African group of negotiators on climate change in response to a call from African Heads of State to enhance action on adaptation in Africa. The initiative was launched at the twenty-first session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in December 2015 in Paris.

47. A representative of the African group of negotiators will provide a summary of the overview, analysis and progress update on the implementation of the initiative.

#### **(c) Climate-altering technologies and measures**

48. While drastically reducing greenhouse gas emissions to mitigate climate change is the cornerstone of addressing climate change, scientists have acknowledged that complementary measures will be needed due to the unavoidable residual emissions. This has brought increased attention to climate-altering technologies and measures, which could remove residual emissions or counteract the disruptions and heating they cause.

49. A representative of the presidency of the Conference will introduce this sub-agenda item.

#### **(d) African Union Climate Change and Resilient Development Strategy and Action Plan (2022–2032)**

50. At its eighth special session on 4 December 2020, the Conference called for the finalization of the revised African climate change strategy through consultations with member States and other

relevant stakeholders. The African Union has developed the climate change and resilient development strategy and action plan to provide a continental framework for collective action and enhanced cooperation in addressing climate change issues that improves livelihoods and well-being, promotes adaptation capacity, and achieves low-emission, sustainable economic growth.

51. A representative of the African Union Commission will make a brief presentation of the strategy.

## **Item 6**

### **Outcomes of the resumed fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme and preparations for the sixth session of the Assembly**

52. The resumed fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme was held in Nairobi from 28 February to 2 March 2022. A special session of the Environment Assembly was held on 3 and 4 March 2022, following the resumed fifth session of the Environment Assembly, to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the United Nations Environment Programme.

53. At the resumed fifth session, the Environment Assembly adopted 14 resolutions, 1 decision and a ministerial declaration, and at its special session, it adopted a political declaration commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the United Nations Environment Programme.

54. A representative of the secretariat will deliver a brief presentation of the outcomes. The secretariat has also prepared a background note on the subject, document AMCEN/18(II)/10.

## **Item 7**

### **Africa's participation in the development of an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment**

55. The United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme through resolution 5/14 on "End plastic pollution: towards an international legally binding instrument" called for international action by developing an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment.

56. The resolution requested the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to convene an intergovernmental negotiating committee. An ad-hoc open-ended working group meeting was held from 29 May to 1 June 2022 in Dakar, Senegal, to prepare for the work of the intergovernmental negotiating committee. Organization of Africa's participation and negotiation in the intergovernmental negotiating committee is very critical.

57. A representative of the secretariat will provide a brief presentation on the matter. The secretariat has also prepared a background note on the subject, document AMCEN/18(II)/11.

## **Item 8**

### **Preparations for the resumed fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity and the post-2020 global biodiversity framework**

58. The first part of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity convened virtually from 11-15 October 2021. The resumed fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties will be held in Montreal, Canada, from 5 to 17 December 2022.

59. It is expected that the post-2020 global biodiversity framework will be adopted at the fifteenth meeting, marking a significant milestone in the history of international biodiversity governance.

60. The Chair of the Africa Group of Negotiators on biodiversity will introduce this agenda item, highlighting the key outcomes from the first part of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and the expectations for the second part of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

**Item 9****Outcomes of the fifteenth session 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**

61. The fifteenth session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification and meetings of its subsidiary bodies took place in Abidjan from 9 to 20 May 2022. The Conference of the Parties concluded with a global pledge to boost drought resilience and invest in land restoration for future prosperity.
62. The Conference of the Parties adopted 38 decisions, including on tenure, migration and gender, that highlight the role of land in addressing multiple crises. Decisions also cover drought resilience, reduce land degradation, and invest in land restoration efforts. The Conference of the Parties called for accelerating the restoration of one billion hectares of degraded land by 2030 and to boost drought resilience.
63. The Chair of the Africa Group of Negotiators on desertification will introduce this agenda item. The secretariat has also prepared a background note on the subject, document AMCEN/18(II)/12.

**Item 10****Matters related to the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment****(a) Status of the general trust fund of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment**

64. Contributions to the general trust fund and the interest that it generates continue to be in decline. The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic has worsened the situation. The Conference has, on several occasions, underlined the importance of all member States making their contributions in line with the decisions of the Conference. The secretariat of the Conference has continued to encourage member States to contribute to the general trust fund with only a slight improvement being observed.
65. A representative of the secretariat will report on the status of the general trust fund as set out in document AMCEN/18(II)/13.

**(b) Review of the rules of procedure of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment**

66. Since AMCEN adopted its Constitution and rules of procedure, there have been many changes in environmental governance and in the related institutions at the national, regional and global levels. The environment and climate action now play a far more central role in the political and socioeconomic development of the world than they did in the 1990s
67. In view of the evolution of regional and global structures and processes, it has become apparent that the current rules of procedure need to be amended to ensure that they remain aligned with the changing processes of the various intergovernmental governing bodies
68. A representative of the secretariat will introduce this agenda item as set out in document AMCEN/18(II)/14.

**Item 11****Preparation of the outcomes of the resumed eighteenth session of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment**

69. A representative of the secretariat will present an overview of the draft outcome document, draft decisions and key messages to be forwarded to the ministerial meeting and will request that they be considered for amendment and endorsement under the guidance of the Chair of the expert group meeting.

**Item 12****Other matters**

70. Other key matters of interest not included in the agenda will be discussed.

71. It is proposed that any Government that introduces any other matter should provide the secretariat with a copy of a background document for circulation during the session. An English version of any such text must be made available.

### **Item 13**

#### **Closure of the meeting**

72. The Chair will invite the Director of the UNEP Africa Office and the Director of the Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy and Sustainable Environment of the African Union Commission to make their concluding remarks before declaring the meeting closed.



## Annex I

### List of documents

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Document</i>
<b>Working documents</b>	
AMCEN/18(II)/EGM/1	Provisional agenda for the expert group segment
AMCEN/18(II)/EGM/1/Add.1	Annotated provisional agenda for the expert group segment
AMCEN/18(II)/1	Provisional agenda for the ministerial segment
AMCEN/18(II)/1/Add.1	Annotated provisional agenda for the ministerial segment
AMCEN/18(II)/2	Report of the secretariat for the biennium 2019–2022
AMCEN/18(II)/3	Implementation of the Africa green stimulus programme
AMCEN/18(II)/4	Enhancing the role of environment protection agencies in Africa
AMCEN/18(II)/5	Collaboration between the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment and African Ministers of Finance and Economic Planning
AMCEN/18(II)/6	Phasing out of open burning of waste in Africa
AMCEN/18(II)/7	Fostering sustainable soil governance in Africa
AMCEN/18(II)/8	Progress in the development of an African ocean governance strategy
AMCEN/18(II)/9	Environmental solutions to Antimicrobial Resistance in Africa
AMCEN/18(II)/10	Outcomes of the resumed fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme, preparations for the sixth session, and the UNEP@50 commemoration
AMCEN/18(II)/11	Africa's participation in the development of an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment
AMCEN/18(II)/12	Outcomes of the fifteenth Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification
AMCEN/18(II)/13	Status of the general trust fund of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment
AMCEN/18(II)/14	Review of the rules of procedure of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment
<b>Information documents</b>	
AMCEN/18(II)/INF/1	Information note for participants in the resumed eighteenth session of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment
<b>Reference documents</b>	
AMCEN/17/9	Report of the ministerial segment of the seventeenth session of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment
AMCEN/SS.VIII/6	Report of the ministerial segment of the eighth special session of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment
AMCEN/18(I)/8	Report of the ministerial segment of the eighteenth session of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment
AMCEN/SS.IX/4	Ministerial statement and key policy messages of the ninth special session of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment
UNEP/EA.5/Res.14	End plastic pollution: towards an international legally binding instrument
AMCEN/18(II)/REF/1	Rules of procedure of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment
AMCEN/18(II)/REF/2	Constitution of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment

## Annex II

### Programme of work for the expert group segment on 12 to 14 September 2022

Monday, 12 September 2022

<i>Time</i>	<i>Description</i>
8.30 a.m.–9.00 a.m.	<b>Item 1</b> Opening of the meeting
9.00 a.m.–9.15 a.m.	<b>Item 2</b> Organizational matters: (a) Adoption of the agenda (b) Organization of work
9.15 a.m.–9.45 a.m.	<b>Item 3</b> Consideration of the report of the secretariat of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment
9.45 a.m.–11.30 a.m.	<b>Item 4</b> Addressing environmental challenges and opportunities in Africa in the post-COVID-19 era: (a) Enhancing implementation of the decisions of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment, including the Africa Green Stimulus Programme; (b) Enhancing the role of environmental protection agencies in Africa; (c) Collaboration between the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment and African ministers for finance and economic planning; (d) Phasing out of open burning of waste in Africa; (e) Fostering sustainable soil governance in Africa; (f) Progress in the development of an African ocean governance strategy; (g) Antimicrobial resistance
11.30 a.m.–1.00 p.m.	<b>Item 5</b> Outcomes of the twenty-sixth session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, preparations for the twenty-seventh session and the following: (a) Integrated assessment of air pollution and climate change for sustainable development in Africa; (b) Africa Adaptation Initiative; (c) Climate-altering technologies and measures; (d) African Union Climate Change and Resilient Development Strategy and Action Plan (2022–2032).
1.00 p.m.–2.30 p.m.	<b>Lunch break</b>
2.30 p.m.–3.00 p.m.	<b>Item 6</b> Outcomes of the resumed fifth United Nations Environment Assembly and preparation for the sixth session of the Environment Assembly
3.00 p.m.–4.00 p.m.	<b>Item 7</b> Africa's participation in the development of an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment
4.00 p.m.–5.00 p.m.	<b>Item 8</b> Preparations for the resumed fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity and the post-2020 global biodiversity framework
5.00 p.m.–5.30 p.m.	<b>Item 9</b> Outcomes of the fifteenth session 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

<i>Time</i>	<i>Description</i>
5.30 p.m.–6.00 p.m.	<b>Item 10</b> Matters related to the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment: (a) Status of the general trust fund of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment; (b) Review of the rules of procedure of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment

### **Tuesday, 13 September 2022**

<i>Time</i>	<i>Description</i>
9 a.m.–1.00 p.m.	Breakout sessions
1.00 p.m.–2.30 p.m.	<b>Lunch break</b>
2.30 p.m.–6.00 p.m.	Breakout sessions continued

### **Wednesday, 14 September 2022**

<i>Time</i>	<i>Description</i>
9 a.m.–11.30 a.m.	Outcomes of the working group sessions (plenary)
11.30 a.m.–1.00 p.m.	<b>Item 11</b> Preparation of the outcomes of the resumed eighteenth session of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment
1.00 p.m.–2.30 p.m.	<b>Lunch break</b>
2.30 p.m.–4.30 p.m.	<b>Item 11 (cont.)</b> Preparation of the outcomes of the resumed eighteenth session of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment
4.30 p.m.–5.00 p.m.	<b>Item 12</b> Other matters
5.00 p.m.	<b>Item</b> Closure of the meeting