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Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

Third Conference of African Ministers
responsible for Civil Registration

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DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

*Theme: Promoting the use of civil registration and vital statistics
in support of good governance in Africa*



1. Registration

Registration of conference participants will take place as per the arrangements made by the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire.

2. Opening of the Conference

A welcome statement will be delivered by the Minister of Interior of Côte d'Ivoire or his representative (to be confirmed by Côte d'Ivoire). Statements will be made by the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) the President of the African Development Bank (AfDB), the Chairperson of the African Union Commission (AUC) and by the Minister in charge of Civil Registration of the Host Country..

3. Election of the Bureau

The composition of the Bureau will be announced following consultations with heads of delegations. The Bureau will comprise of five members as follows: one Chair, three Vice-Chairs and one rapporteur, elected on the basis of equitable geographic representation.

4. Adoption of the agenda and programme of work

Participants will be invited to consider and adopt the draft provisional agenda and programme of work, and any proposed amendments as deemed necessary

5. Background to the Conference

A short presentation will be made by AUC highlighting the developments leading to the convening of the Conference of African Ministers responsible for Civil Registration and the establishment of the Africa Programme on Accelerated Improvement of Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (APAI-CRVS). The presentation will also set out the objectives and expected outcomes of the ministerial gathering.

A keynote speech on the theme of the conference will be delivered hereafter.

6. Towards complete civil registration and vital statistics (CRVS) systems in Africa: understanding where we stand

The objective of this session is to review the progress made by the regional CRVS programme since its inception in 2010. This session will provide an account of the current status against the commitments made at the past two Conferences, including some of the key challenges faced in the implementation of the regional programme. The session will also set out the perspectives of the countries on the implementation of the regional CRVS programme. The session will be delivered through two presentations: one by the representative of the former bureau of the conference and the other by the Chair of the African Symposium on Statistical Development on behalf of the countries. The presentations will be followed by plenary discussions.

7. Youth statements: perspective of young people on CRVS and governance

This session will allow young people to give their perspective on CRVS, good governance and the role of young people in realizing the African CRVS agenda. This session will be delivered through a statement made by one African youth addressing governance, CRVS and the youth of Africa.

8. Announcements: partnership of Data 2x and APAI-CRVS, and launch of the publication “General comment on article 6 of the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child”

The Conference participants will be briefed on the launch of “General comment on article 6 of the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child” and the recent partnership between APAI-CRVS and Data 2x, and

9. CRVS and good governance in Africa

This session will set the stage for the deliberations around the theme of the Conference. The session will cover three main aspects of CRVS that contribute to good governance, namely:

- a. Civil registration and human rights CRVS and improved service delivery
- b. Vital statistics in the context of the post-2015 development agenda

There will be three presentations on the above themes, followed by a discussion.

10. Role of the health sector in improving CRVS systems

This session will deliberate on specific policy issues regarding the engagement of the health sector in the improvement of CRVS systems. The session will be opened by two keynote statements by ministers of health. Two countries will make presentations showcasing best practices in the engagement of the health sector in CRVS. This will be followed by a discussion.

11. Statements by partners

During this session, members of the regional CRVS core group will provide their perspectives on the regional CRVS programme.

12. Financing CRVS in Africa

This session will discuss the recent global and regional efforts to finance CRVS plans at the regional and country levels, taking into account the organization and management of the regional CRVS programme. AfDB will present the Bank's plans for investment, while the World Bank and WHO will present details of the Global Financing Facility for the "Every Women Every Child" initiative. This will be followed by a discussion.

13. Ministerial statement and resolutions

The session will discuss and adopt the report of the experts and adopt the ministerial statement and resolution

14. Closing of the Conference

The Chair will highlight the main outcomes of the Conference and declare it closed.