



Launch of the Economic Development in Africa Report 2021
“Reaping the Potential Benefits of the African Continental Free Trade Area for Inclusive Growth”

Thursday 09 December 2021
10-11:30 am, (EST)

Work programme

10:00 – 10:15	Welcome and Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ms. Grynspan, Secretary General, UNCTAD- Ms. Cristina Duarte, Under Secretary-General, UN Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA)- Mr. Wamkele Mene, Secretary General, AfCFTA Secretariat <p>Moderated by Mr. Kavazeua Katjomuise, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, OSAA</p>
10:15-10:30	EDAR 2021 – “Reaping the Potential Benefits of the African Continental Free Trade Area for Inclusive Growth”: Key findings and recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr. Paul Akiwumi, Director, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes (ALDC), UNCTAD
10:30-11:00	In Conversation: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr. Gilberto Antonio, Senior Policy Adviser to the Secretary General, AfCFTA Secretariat- Ms. Carolyn Oppong-Ntiri, Deputy Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations in New York- Prof. Samuel Ojo Oloruntoba, Adjunct Research Professor, Institute of African Studies at the Carleton University, Canada and Member of OSAA Knowledge Network on Industrialization, Demographic Dividend and the AfCFTA <p>Moderated by Mr. Kavazeua Katjomuise, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, OSAA</p>
11:00-11:25	Discussion – Q&A
11:25-11:30	Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Her Excellency Fatima Kyari Mohammed, Ambassador of the Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union to the United Nations in New York