

PRESENTATION OF THE LATEST AFRICA REGIONAL INTEGRATION INDEX (ARII) WITH FOCUS ON COMESA-EAC-SADC TRIPARTITE AND REFLECTIONS ON THE WAY FORWARD

Thursday 15 April, 2021



15h00-17h00 (EAT)

Preparatory arrangements: 14:45 – 15:00 (EAT)
(Participants connect to the platform)

Moderator: Francis IKOME, Chief, Regional Integration Section, Regional Integration and Trade Division (RITD), Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)

Introduction and welcome remarks by Moderator 15:00 – 15:08 (EAT)

Statement by ECA 15:08 – 15:16 (EAT)
Stephen KARINGI, Director, RITD, ECA

Statement by the African Union Commission (AUC) 15:16 – 15:24 (EAT)
Manasseh NTAGANDA, Senior Policy Officer, Economic Affairs Department, AUC

Statement by the African Development Bank (AfDB) 15:24 – 15:32 (EAT)
Jean-Guy AFRIKA, Director OiC, Director Regional Integration Coordination Office, AfDB

Statement by the East African Community (EAC) Secretariat 15:32 – 15:40 (EAT)
Rashid KIBOWA, Director of Trade, EAC

Presentation of ARII followed by Discussion/Q&A, including on the way forward

Facilitator: Patrick KANYIMBO, Regional Integration Coordinator, East Africa Regional Hub, AfDB

Presentation: Zodwa MABUZA, AfDB & Simon MEVEL, ECA 15:40 – 16:20 (EAT)
Discussions/Q&A 16:20 – 16:55 (EAT)

Closing Remarks 16:55 – 17:00 (EAT)
Francis IKOME, Chief, Regional Integration Section, RITD, ECA