

Division for the Advancement of Women, Department of Economic and Social Affairs,  
and the African Centre for Gender and Social Development, Economic Commission for Africa

**Regional workshop to establish the African e-network for national machineries and  
its support mechanisms**

Addis Ababa  
5-8 December 2006

**PROGRAMME OF WORK**

**Tuesday 5 December**

8.20 *Bus leaves for the Conference Centre*

**I. OPENING SESSION**

**Plenary in Caucus Room 11**

8.45 Opening of the meeting  
- *Welcome by Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)*  
- *Introductory Statement by the Division for the Advancement of Women (DAW) of  
the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs*

Introduction to the meeting (ECA)  
- *Introduction of the participants/facilitators*  
- *Logistical matters*  
- *Adoption of the Programme of Work*

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Project objectives and outcomes (ECA)

10.15 *COFFEE/TEA BREAK*

**II. COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES WITH TGO STR W8 TD**

- 14.00 INSTRAW experience of communication strategies, knowledge management and networking  
Presenter: INSTRAW
- 14.30 Status and use of ICT by national machineries (results of questionnaire)  
Presenter: DAW
- 15.00 Mainstreaming gender in ICT policies  
Presenter: ECA
- 15.30 Experiences on communication strategies, knowledge management and use of ICT.  
Panel presentations by national machineries followed by interactive discussion

### **Wednesday 6 December**

8.20            *Bus leaves for the Conference Centre*

### **III. ELECTRONIC NETWORKING AND THE E-NETWORK FOR NATIONAL MACHINERIES IN AFRICA**

#### **Plenary in Caucus Room 11**

8.45            Report back to plenary and interactive discussion  
- *Results of working groups (#1) on communication strategies, knowledge management and the use of ICT*

9.15            Sub-regional and regional electronic networks for women in Africa  
- Panel presentations by representatives of networks in Africa  
Moderator: ECA

10.15           *COFFEE/TEA BREAK*

#### **Working Groups in Caucus Rooms 7 (French) and 8 (English)**

11.15           Working groups (#2) to discuss e-networking  
Facilitators: ECA/INSTRAW

12.15           *LUNCH*

#### **Plenary in Caucus Room 11**

13.30           Report back to plenary  
- *Results of working groups (#2) on e-networking*

14.00           Presentation on the e-network, information portal, discussion lists and e-discussions (ECA)  
- *Overview of structure and activities*  
- *What is an information portal? Guidelines for its effective use*  
- *What are discussion lists? Guidelines for their effective use*  
- *What are e-discussions? Guidelines for their effective use*  
- *Stakeholders – Who will use the e-network?*

15.30           *COFFEE/TEA BREAK*

#### **Working Groups in Caucus Rooms 7 (French) and 8 (English)**

16.00           Working groups (#3) to discuss the e-network  
Facilitators: ECA  
- *Information portal*  
- *Activities of the e-network (discussions lists, themes of e-discussions)*

- *Network name*

17.15 Optional evening tutorials available if needed (sign-up required)  
- *Email / - Internet / - Software*

18.00 *Bus leaves for Hotel Hilton*

## **Thursday 7 December**

8.20            *Bus leaves for the Conference Centre*

### **Plenary in Caucus Room 11**

8.45            Report back to plenary and interactive discussion  
                  - *Results of working groups (#3) to discuss the e-network*

10.15           *COFFEE/TEA BREAK*

## **IV. TRAINING ON E-NETWORK ACTIVITIES**

### **Working Groups in IT rooms**

10.45           Hands-on training on:  
                  - *Information portal*  
                  - *Discussion lists and e-discussions, and creation of discussion lists*  
                  Facilitator: ECA

12.45           *LUNCH*

14.00           Working group discussions (#4) on findings from the hands-on training  
                  Facilitators: ECA

### **Plenary in Caucus Room 11**

14.45           Report back to plenary and interactive discussion  
                  - *Results of working groups (#4) on findings from the hands-on training*

15.30           *COFFEE/TEA BREAK*

## **V. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

16.00           Contributions to and use of e-network by national machineries  
                  Presenter: ECA  
                  - *E-network teams within national machineries*  
                  - *Other staff in the national machinery*

17.00           Management of the e-network  
                  Presenter: ECA  
                  - *Sub-regional coordinators from national machineries*  
                  - *ECA sub-regional coordinators*  
                  - *ECA HQ and DAW*

18.00           *Bus leaves for Hotel Hilton*

## **Friday 8 December**

8.20            *Bus leaves for the Conference Centre*

### **Working Groups in Caucus Rooms 7 (French) and 8 (English)**

8.45            Working groups (#5) to discuss roles and responsibilities and management of the e-network  
Facilitators: ECA

9.45            Management Group Meeting to discuss responsibilities (*if necessary*)  
Facilitator: ECA

10.30           *COFFEE/TEA BREAK*

## **VI. FINALIZATION OF THE E-NETWORK STRUCTURE AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Plenary in Caucus Room 11**

11.00           Report back to plenary  
- *Results of working groups (#5) on roles and responsibilities of the e-network*

11.30           Interactive discussion on finalization of the e-network  
Facilitator: ECA  
- *Information portal*  
- *Network name*  
- *Activities of the e-network (discussions lists, themes of e-discussions)*  
- *Roles and responsibilities*  
- *Management*