African Union Commission and European Union Validation Workshop

DEVELOPING AND STRENGTHENING KEY REGIONAL VALUE CHAINS AT CONTINENTAL SCALE IN AFRICA

22-23 November 2022 - Niamey
Practical information

• **Event name**: Developing and Strengthening Key Regional Value Chains at Continental Scale in Africa

• **Schedule**: From 22\(^{nd}\) November at 9.00 to 23\(^{rd}\) November 2022 at 17.30

• **How to follow the event online:**
  - 22/11: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJIuf-GqrTwjHt1Drhb6zte9iia_RaJbZr7T
  - 23/11: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJIpde2rpzsqE9aC6bgN94WJkxgkvPQi5ls

  • You do not need to register and are welcome to join all panels of interest.

  • The floor will be given to online participants at the end of the session for some Q&A
On site attendance

• If you are a speaker or a moderator, you must register here to attend on site:
  

• If you are from the private sector or any other type of category, you must register here to attend:

Venues

If you want to attend in person in Niamey, the venues are:

22/11: Mahatma Gandhi International Convention Centre – Niamey, NIGER

23/11: Congress Palace – Niamey, NIGER
### Agenda of the event

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Questions

• Can I come with someone?
  - Speakers are free to come with their staff. For people wanting to participate on site, the venue is open to access and the panel rooms will be indicated with banners and clear directions.

• Can I stay to attend other high-level panels?
  - All panels of our event are open to the public. Would you like to attend other event in the same venue, we recommend to contact the organising authorities.

• What should I do if my COVID certificate expires?
  - Regarding COVID rules (including for masks), we recommend to refer to the regulation decided by the Republic of Niger.
Questions

• When should I connect to the event?
  • We recommend to connect no later than 5 minutes before the beginning of the panel. The necessary links are available on the second page of this document.

• I require urgent support, who should I contact?
  • In case of urgent support you can call the respective venues desks
    • 22nd November: +22720724200
    • 23rd November: +22720723300
Additional information

- More information on the venues:
  - **ANECD** - Agence Nationale de l' Économie Des Conférences (anec-niger.ne)
- **Time:** West Africa Time (UTC+1). When it is 10am in London (UTC), it is 11am in Niamey.
- **Currency:** The monetary unit of Niger is West Africa CFA Franc
- **Weather:** From November to March, it is the dry season in Niger. The temperature averages 30+°C everyday. It is usually sunny.
Additional Information

• Useful links

  • [Home | African Union (au.int)]
  • [European Commission, official website (europa.eu)]
  • [ITC (intracen.org)]
  • [Home - AfCFTA (au-afcfta.org)]

• Should you have any further questions, do not hesitate to contact: [Quentin.moreau-hamel@ec.Europa.eu]
Thank you