2006: Africa on the Move

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Preliminary Agenda

9:00-10:00  Registration – tea/coffee

Opening

10:00-10:30  Ángel Gurría, Secretary-General, OECD
Louis Kasekende, Chief Economist, African Development Bank

I. Africa in 2006: Turning Growth into Development?
Chair: Louis Kasekende, Chief Economist, African Development Bank

10:30-11:00  Highlights of the African Economic Outlook 2006
Mohammed Salisu, Principal Development Economist, African Development Bank

11:00-12:15  Panel Discussion
Jeffrey Thamsanqa Radebe, Minister of Transport, South Africa
Stefano Manservisi, Director-General, Development Direction General, European Commission
Jon Lomoy, Deputy Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway
Lutaf Kassam, Director, Industrial Promotion Services, Aga Khan Fund for Economic Development

12:15-13:00  Questions & Answers
II. Promoting and Financing Transport Infrastructure in Africa

Chair: Louka T. Katseli, Director, Development Centre, OECD

15:00-15:30 Highlights of the African Economic Outlook 2006 focus on promoting and financing of transport infrastructure
Andrea Goldstein, Senior Economist, OECD Development Centre

15:30-16:45 Panel Discussion
Abdoulaye Koïta, Minister of Equipment and Transport, Mali
Driss Benhima, CEO, Royal Air Maroc
Bernard Ziller, Senior Economic Advisor, European Investment Bank
Jean Assice, Head of Mission for Africa, Aéroports de Paris

16:45-17:30 Questions & Answers

Concluding remarks

17:30-18:00 Brigitte Girardin, Minister Delegate for Cooperation, Development and Francophony, France

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