

DRAFT AGENDA OF THE
23rd MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF
EXPERTS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE
GENERAL DIRECTORS OF CUSTOMS OF THE
WCO-WCA REGION



Brazzaville, Republic of Congo

19-21 November 2019

Tuesday 19 November 2019

Point	Hour	Activities	Speakers
1	9:00 – 09:45	Opening Ceremony of the 23rd Meeting of the Committee of Experts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome speech from the Customs Administration of the Republic of Congo Speech of the Representative of the Vice- Chair of the WCA Region Speech of the Representative of the WCO Secretariat Opening speech by the Director General of Congolese Customs 	Host country Vice-Chair WCO Secretariat Host country
	09:45 – 10:15	Photo & Cocktail Session	
2	10:15 – 10:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Constitution of the meeting office Constitution of the reporters team Consideration and adoption of the draft agenda 	Host country Vice-Chair WCO Secretariat
3	10:30 – 10:45	Presentation and review of the report of activities of the WCO Secretariat.	Secrétariat OMD
4	10:45 - 12:30	Review of reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Office of the Vice - Chair ROCB RILO WA and CA RTC Ouagadougou/Brazzaville/Abuja RWG-IT Discussions 	Vice-Chair ROCB Director Directors RILO-WA and RILO-CA RTC Directors Chief RWG-IT
5	12:30 - 13:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results and lessons learned from the WCA Customs Conference and Partners (Niamey, 16-18 October 2019) Mid-term evaluation of the recommendations of the 24th DGC Conference Discussions 	Vice-Chair
	13:30 – 14:30	Lunch break	
6	14:30 -15:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional Strategic Plan 2018-2022 - Results and evolutions Discussions 	ROCB Director
7	15 :00 - 16 :00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of the Finance and Audits Committee Report Report on annual contributions, disbursement and status of the region's bank account Development and Consolidation of TOR (term of reference) for each of the two committees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finance Committee (Ghana-Nigeria-Gambia) Audit Committee (DRC-Gabon-Sierra Leone) Discussions 	Ghana-Nigeria-Gambia - Ghana - DRC

	16:00 - 16.15	Coffee break	
8	16:15 – 17:15	Interconnection of transit systems in WCA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced development of the SIGMAT solution • Suivi de la mise en œuvre et évaluation des résultats • Advanced in relation to the establishment of a legal framework • Extension à l'Afrique centrale • Perspectives and recommendations for its implementation • Discussions 	ECOWAS UNCTAD ECOWAS Cameroun WCO Secretariat
	17: 15	End of the work of the 1st Day	

Wednesday 20th November 2019

Point	Hour	Activities	Speakers
9	09:00 – 10:00	Work of the African Union: Sub-Committee of AUDGCs and Implementation of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status of implementation of the AfCFTA • Summary of the work of the 11th session of the African Union DGC Sub-Committee in Kampala, Uganda. • Involvement in the regional strategic plan WCA 2018-2022. • Discussions 	AU Commission Vice-Chair ROCB WCA
10	10:00 – 10:45	Regional Risk Management in WCA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outcomes of the Regional Virtual Group on Risk Management (set up on the margins of the regional workshop on the development of a regional risk strategy perspectives, recommendations and work plan • Discussions 	RILO/WA/CA
	10:45 -11:00	Coffee break	
11	11:00 – 12:00	Reflection on the planning and reorganization of the statutory meetings of the WCA Region: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact points • HR and Training Managers • RILO National Correspondents • RWG-IT • Experts • DG 	WCO Secretariat Vice- Chair ROCB
12	12:00 - 13:00	Human Resource Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National experiences of two countries in the implementation of the competency-based HRM approach: current situation-challenges and perspectives • Discussions 	To be determined
	13:00 – 14:15	Lunch break	
13	14:15 - 14:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflection on the development of a generic approach for the production of a report every year on the annual theme of the WCO at the address of the annual conference of DG WCA. • Discussions 	WCO Secretariat / ROCB

14	14:45 – 16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuation of Regional Projects presented at the 3rd Conference of WCA Customs and Development Partners Regional Sectoral Plan on Intelligence Discussions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ROCB - RILO-WA and RILO-CA
	16:00 - 16:15	Coffee break	
15	16:15 - 17:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drafting of recommendations and reports of the 23rd meeting of the committee of experts. Preparation of the draft agenda of the 24th meeting of the Committee of Experts and the 25th Conference of Directors General of Customs of the WCO-WCA Region in Cotonou (March-April 2020). 	Reporters Designated Working Group
	17:30	End of the work of the 2nd day	

Thursday 21st November 2019

Point	Hour	Activities	Speakers
16	09:00 - 10:30	Adoption of the recommendations of the 23 rd meeting of the Committee of Experts.	All participants
17	10:30 - 11:00	Various	Vice-Chair
	11:00 – 11:30	Coffee break and preparation of the closing ceremony	
18	11:30 - 12:15	Closing ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading of the recommendations of the 23rd meeting of the Committee of Experts. Motion of thanks to the Beninese authorities. Address by the Vice-Chair of the WCO-WCA Region Closing speech 	Expert/e designated /e Expert/e designated /e Vice- Chair Host country
	12:15 - 13:15	Lunch break	