

Girls in ICT Day Celebration Programme

Thursday, 25 April 2019 African Union Headquarters Addis Ababa

7:30-8:00 Registration

8:00-10:30 ICT clinic with hands-on computer sessions; ICT presentations; ICT

quizzes and competitions

10:30-11:00 Tea break

11:00 Arrival of guests of honor

11:00-11:10 Welcome remarks by ITU Regional Director for Africa

Mr Andrew Rugege

A minute of silence in honor of all those whose lives were lost in the

flight crash on 10 March 2019

11:10-11:20 Performance by Betty G in memory of Maygenet Abebe and

Marcelino Tayob

11:20-12:20 Session 1: Digital Transformation & Gender Equality

 Mr Cheikh Bedda, Director for Infrastructure and Energy, African Union Commission (AUC)

 H.E. Mr Sisay Tola, State Minister for Innovation and Technology, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

 H.E. Ms Amira Elfadil Mohammed Elfadil, Commissioner for Social Affairs, Africa Union Commission (AUC)

 H.E. Ms Yalem Tsegaye Assfaw, Minister for Women's, Children's and Youth Affairs, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

 Ms Doreen Bogdan-Martin, Director for Telecommunication Development Bureau, ITU, and co-founder of EQUALS

Keynote speech

H. E. Ms. Sahle-Work Zewde, President Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

12:25-12:30 Group photo **12:30-13:45** Lunch break

13:45-13:50 Introduction to the interactive session

13:50-14:30 Session 2: Girls in ICT: Inspiring the next generations

Moderator: H.E Prof. Sarah Anyang Agbor, Commissioner for Human Resources, Science and Technology, African Union Commission (AUC)

• Ms Doreen Bogdan-Martin, Director, BDT, ITU and First- ever woman elected official in ITU's 154 year history

Ms Betelem Dessie, Technologist, Educator and Entrepreneur

Ms Lindsey Nefesh-Clark, Founder, Women's Worldwide Web

 Ms Bruktawit Getahun (Betty G), Award-winning Singer, Ambassador for Studio Samuel

Ms Melat Abate, Entrepreneur

Ms Bethlehem Tilahun Alemu, Founder, Executive Director, SoleRebels

14:30 -15:30 Mentoring presentations on social media, innovation and social skills

15:30-16:00 Final round of competitions

16:00-16:45 Let's Hear It From the Girls!

A chance for girls to lead the discussion: informal moderated group chat featuring live online Q&A & voting

16:45-17:15 Award ceremony for all competitions and tombola

17:15-17:30 Vote of thanks and closing: Ms Doreen Bogdan-Martin and Mr Andrew Rugege

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