



High-Level Regional Symposium on Cooperation and Complementarity between States and the International Criminal Court

(24-26 October 2017 – Niamey, Niger)

Tuesday 24 October

TIME	ACTIVITY
8.30 - 9.30	Sign-in and welcome coffee Tayla conference room
9.30 - 11.00	<p>Round table – Delegates’ presentations</p> <p>Tayla conference room</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> H.E. Judge Marc Perrin de Brichambaut, <i>President, Pre-Trial Division, ICC</i></p> <p><i>Order of speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - H.E. Bessolé René Bagoro, Minister of Justice, Human Rights and Civic Promotion, Keeper of the Seals, Burkina Faso - H.E. Flavien Mbata, Minister of Justice, Human Rights, Keeper of the Seals, Central African Republic - H.E. Alexis Thambwe-Mwamba, Minister of State, Minister of Justice and Keeper of the Seals, Democratic Republic of the Congo - H.E. Francis Nkéa Ndzigue, Minister of State, Minister of Justice and Keeper of the Seals in charge of Human Rights, Gabonese Republic - H.E. Cheick Sako, Minister of State, Minister of Justice and Keeper of the Seals, Republic of Guinea - H.E. Mamadou Ismaïla Konaté, Minister of Justice and Keeper of the Seals, Republic of Mali <p>High-level participants have been invited to give short presentations on subjects which may include: (i) their State’s or their organization’s experience of interacting and cooperating with the ICC; (ii) an overview of their State’s undertakings as to ratification or adoption of implementing legislation; and (iii) their State’s or their organization’s commitment to the principle of complementarity.</p> <p>These talks will be followed by discussions to address any questions or comments raised.</p>
11.00 - 11.30	<p>OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPH</p> <p><i>(i) with media presence (including during the opening ceremony)</i></p>



<p>11.30 - 13.00</p>	<p>Opening ceremony Tayla conference room</p> <p>Introductory remarks and opening statements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - H.E. Raul Mateus Paula, <i>European Union Ambassador to the Republic of Niger</i> - H.E. Judge Marc Perrin de Brichambaut, <i>President, Pre-Trial Division, ICC</i> - H.E. Fatou Bensouda, <i>Prosecutor, ICC</i> - H.E. Prime Minister Brigi Rafini, <i>Head of Government of Niger</i>
<p>13.00 - 14.30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LUNCH BREAK Location: Restaurant</p>
<p>14.30 - 16.00</p>	<p>Introduction / Interactive session</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> H.E. Judge Marc Perrin de Brichambaut, <i>President, Pre-Trial Division, ICC</i></p> <p><i>Presentations by the three organs of the ICC (Chambers, Registry and Office of the Prosecutor) on:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - History of the founding of the Court - The Court's mandate - Roles, functions and areas of responsibility of the different organs <p><i>Presentations followed by interactive discussions with participants</i></p>
<p>16.00 - 16.30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">COFFEE BREAK</p>
<p>16.30 - 17.30</p>	<p>Introduction / Interactive session (cont.)</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> H.E. Judge Marc Perrin de Brichambaut, <i>President, Pre-Trial Division, ICC</i></p> <p>Talks will be followed by discussions to address any questions or comments raised.</p>
<p>18.00</p>	<p>Reception and dinner <i>Location to be confirmed</i></p>



TIME	ACTIVITY
9.00	Welcome coffee
9.00 - 10.45	<p>Topic 1: Fair trials and procedures – principles, implementation and issues</p> <p>Tayla conference room</p> <p><u>Facilitators (and introduction/presentation):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chambers - Office of the Prosecutor - Registry <p><u>Speakers:</u> States' Representatives, representatives of regional organizations, experts</p> <p><u>Presentations and discussion subjects:</u> role of judges; mandate and powers of the Office of the Prosecutor; neutrality of the Registry; rights of the Defence; protection of witnesses and victims; victim participation; reparations</p>
10.45 - 11.15	COFFEE BREAK
11.15 - 13.00	<p>Topic 2: Complementarity – principles, implementation and issues</p> <p>Tayla conference room</p> <p><u>Facilitators:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chambers - Office of the Prosecutor - Registry <p><u>Speakers:</u> States' Representatives, representatives of regional organizations, experts</p> <p><u>Presentations and discussion subjects:</u> admissibility; preliminary analyses; positive complementarity; national, regional and intergovernmental initiatives; sharing of best practices and expertise; capacity-building</p>
13.00 - 14.30	<p>LUNCH BREAK</p> <p>Location: Restaurant</p>



<p>14.30 - 16.30</p>	<p>Topic 3: Cooperation – principles, implementation and issues</p> <p>Tayla conference room</p> <p><i>Facilitators:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chambers - Office of the Prosecutor - Registry <p><i>Speakers:</i></p> <p>States' Representatives, representatives of regional organizations, experts</p> <p><u>Presentations and discussion subjects:</u> Part 9 of the Statute; duties of States; roles and responsibilities of the different organs; arrest and surrender; freezing of assets; Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court (APIC); execution of decisions; voluntary cooperation (relocation of witnesses and victims, enforcement of sentences, interim and final release); networks and exchanges for specialized mutual legal assistance</p>
<p>16.30 - 17.00</p>	<p>COFFEE BREAK</p>
<p>17.00 - 17.30</p>	<p>Recap of high-level and topical sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - H.E. Fatou Bensouda, <i>Prosecutor, ICC</i> - Mr Marou Amadou, <i>Minister of Justice</i>



Thursday 26 October

TIME	ACTIVITY
9.30	<p>Welcome coffee</p> <p>Sign-up and division of participants into three workshops</p>
9.00 - 10.30	<p>Workshops 1, 2 and 3: Fair trial, Complementarity and Cooperation</p> <p>Workshop 1: Tayla conference room</p> <p>Workshop 2: Conference room II</p> <p>Workshop 3: Conference room III</p> <p>Participants divide into three groups for in-depth discussion each facilitated by a representative of each of the three organs</p>
10.30 -11.00	<p>COFFEE BREAK</p>
11.00 - 12.30	<p>Workshops 1, 2 and 3 (cont.)</p> <p>Workshop 1: Tayla conference room</p> <p>Workshop 2: Conference room II</p> <p>Workshop 3: Conference room III</p>
12.30 - 14.00	<p>LUNCH BREAK</p> <p>Location: Restaurant</p>
14.00 - 16.30	<p>Closing plenary session: report on proceedings by rapporteurs from the three workshops</p> <p>Tayla conference room</p> <p><i>Moderator: Jean-Claude Aubert, Chief, Internal Operations Support Section</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overall report and networking - Closing statements on ICC engagement with African States (Representative of the Republic of Niger)
<p>***END OF SYMPOSIUM***</p>	