

## Validation meeting on the Human Rights Impact Assessment of the CFTA

1 December 2016, Small CH 4, AU Campus  
Addis-Ababa, Ethiopia

### Abstract Program

The aim of the meeting will be to validate and discuss the preliminary findings of the final HRIA report, specifically from the case studies verifying the various cause-effect channels linking trade measures with potential impacts on right to food, livelihoods, cross-border trade and freedom of movement. The meeting will assess the recommendations to be built into the trade agreement or included in a parallel agreement or side-letter, technical cooperation or capacity-building project and national measures. We will also examine the recommendations relating to institutional and structural mechanisms.

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Venue: Small CH 4, AU Campus

14:00-14:15	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b> Idrissa Kane, Regional Representative a.i, Regional UNOHCHR-Eastern Africa Office
14:15-15:00	<b>Setting the Scene:</b> <b>Target audience and main objectives of the HRIA</b> David Luke, Coordinator, Africa Trade Policy Centre, ECA  <b>Trade measures in question and possible vulnerable people and sectors</b> James Thuo Gathii, Professor, Loyola University Chicago, USA and HRIA Project Lead  Moderation: Yvonne Theemann, Senior Program Officer, Trade and Development, FES Geneva office

15:00-16:00	<p><b>Leaving the theoretical path and facing daily life in Africa:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Food security; presented by Kim Burnett, HRIA Project Consultant</b></li><li>- <b>Agro-Manufacturing, presented by James Thuo Gathii, HRIA Project Lead</b></li><li>- <b>Informal Cross-Border Traders, Chris Nshimbi, HRIA Project Consultant</b></li></ul> <p>Moderation: Susan Mathews, Human Rights Officer, Right to Development Section, OHCHR and Yvonne Theemann, Senior Program Officer, Trade and Development, FES Geneva office</p>
16:00-17:30	<p><b>Most important session: Feedback</b> <b>Do you have any questions? Your reaction? What/who is missing?</b></p> <p>Moderation: Susan Mathews, Human Rights Officer, Right to Development Section, OHCHR and Yvonne Theemann, Senior Program Officer, Trade and Development, FES Geneva office</p>
17:30-17:50	<p><b>Resetting the Scene: Wrap-up and next steps of the project</b></p> <p>James Thuo Gathii, Professor, Loyola University Chicago, USA and HRIA Project Lead David Luke, Coordinator, Africa Trade Policy Centre, ECA</p> <p>Moderation: Yvonne Theemann, Senior Program Officer, Trade and Development, FES Geneva office</p>
17:50-18:00	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p> <p>Idrissa Kane, Regional Representative a.i, Regional UNOHCHR-Eastern Africa Office</p>