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OECD and African Development Bank to present
African Economic Outlook 2010
Special Theme: Public Resource Mobilisation and Aid

Thursday June 17th, 2010
Conference Room 3, North Lawn Building
UN Headquarters, New York, NY 10017
10:00 A.M. -12:00 P.M.

New York, June 10, 2010 – The **United Nations Division for Sustainable Development (DESA)**, the **United Nations Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA)**, and the **Regional Bureau for Africa of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)** will co-host the 2010 presentation of the *African Economic Outlook* (AEO), an annual report from the OECD Development Centre, the African Development Bank (AfDB) and the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa on **Thursday June 17th from 10:00 AM -12:00 PM in Conference Room 3, North Lawn Building, UN Headquarters.**

Mthuli Ncube, Chief Economist of the African Development Bank and Jean-Philippe Stijns, Economist, Africa and Middle East Desk, OECD Development Centre and UN regional experts will be on hand to discuss:

- Africa's economic performance in 2009/10 and prospects for recovery from the global economic crisis
- Challenges to increasing the African tax base including transfer pricing by multinationals, excessive granting of tax preferences and inefficient taxation of extractive industries
- How more efficient, fair and effective taxation can generate needed development financing
- Economic independence of African countries as several nations celebrate 50 years of independence from colonialism
- Progress towards meeting the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)

Now in its ninth year, the AEO presents a comprehensive analysis of economic, political and social developments on the continent. It is unique in applying a common analytical framework to the 50 countries it covers – accounting for 99% of the continent's economic output and 97% of its population.

The full AEO report, including additional policy analysis and research, will be available online at **africaneconomicoutlook.org**, the OECD/AfDB-sponsored gateway to economic data, information and research on Africa.

Journalists are invited to request interviews and/or confirm their presence at this event— where free copies of the report will be distributed in CD-Rom format— to the undersigned. Places are limited.

**** Additional information at <http://bit.ly/AEO2010> ****

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