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## MEDIA ADVISORY

### MEDIA REGISTRATION IS OPEN: 8TH SESSION OF THE AFRICAN UNION COMMISSION'S SPECIALIZED TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (STC)

Media registration is now open for the African Union Commission's 8th Session of the Specialized Technical Committee (STC) on Finance, Monetary Affairs, Economic Planning and Integration. The 2025 session will be attended by Ministers and other executive leaders from the African Continent under the theme: "Bridging Africa's Health Financing Gap in a Changing Geo-Economic Context: Challenges and Potential Solutions."

The large segment of the meetings will take place behind closed doors. Media are invited to cover the opening session and the closing press conference.

**Details are as follows:**

#### OPENING SESSION

Date: 02 October 2025

Time: 10:00 – 11:00

Venue: Radisson Hotel & Convention Centre, Johannesburg, O.R Tambo Airport

#### CLOSING PRESS CONFERENCE

Date: 03 October 2025

Time: 14:30

Venue: Radisson Hotel & Convention Centre, Johannesburg, O.R Tambo Airport

The opening session and closing press conference will be livestreamed on the respective YouTube channels of the African Union and National Treasury of South Africa.

#### Objectives of the STC

The joint STC Meeting will advance a coordinated and strategic continental response to Africa's health financing challenges through alignment between health and finance policymakers and identify scalable and resilient financing mechanisms to address these challenges.



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- To encourage a shared understanding of Africa's health financing landscape in light of evolving global and regional economic dynamics.
- To deepen collaboration between health and finance policymakers across AU Member States.
- To identify scalable and context-appropriate financing mechanisms for resilient, equitable, and universal health systems.
- To consolidate and articulate a common African position on health financing in preparation for upcoming global policymaking forums including COP30, and the South Africa G20 Presidency.
- To catalyze concrete commitments on domestic financing, expenditure efficiency, and pandemic preparedness and response.

### Expected Outcomes

- A **Ministerial Declaration** outlining consensus on bridging the health financing gap, supported by endorsed policy options.
- A **Continental Framework for Health Financing Acceleration** grounded in the principles of sustainability, equity, and resilience.
- **Strengthened coordination platforms** between AU departments, RECs, and national focal points for health and finance.
- **Technical assistance roadmaps** from partners (AfDB, Africa CDC) tailored to country priorities.

Register on this link: [LINK](#) by Wednesday, 24 September 2025 at 15:00 SAST.

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### Note to Editors:

The Specialized Technical Committees (STCs) are at the heart of the African Union's decision-making architecture. Composed of Ministers and senior policymakers, the STCs provide



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the technical expertise, policy guidance, and recommendations that feed directly into the Executive Council and the Assembly of Heads of State and Government.

Through this structured process, the STCs ensure that continental policies and programmes are not only politically endorsed but also technically sound, evidence-based, and aligned with Member States' priorities. Their deliberations shape the design, implementation, and monitoring of Africa's integration and development agenda under Agenda 2063.– [Learn more about STC here](#)