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African Anti-Corruption Day.

What: Commemoration of the African Anti-Corruption Day under the 2021 theme "Regional Economic Communities: Critical Actors in the Implementation of the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption".

When: 11th July 2021.

Where: A series of events. You can participate in the physical events in Arusha, Tanzania and/or on the virtual events.

The commemoration will be as follows.

- **9th July 2021- 11AM EAT. Virtual commemoration.**

The commemoration will focus on 'Enhancing Synergies and Stronger Collaboration between the National Anti-Corruption Authorities (NACAs), Regional Economic Communities (RECs) and the African Union Advisory Board on Corruption (AUABC) in implementing the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption, a Critical Tool for Combatting Corruption.

- **12th July 2021- physical event to be held at Mount Meru Hotel in Arusha, Tanzania.**

Who: Convened by the African Union Advisory Board on Corruption (AUABC), the commemoration brings together participants from the African Union Commission; African Union Organs; Regional Economic Communities; National Anti-Corruption Authorities from across the continent; development partners, civil society; women and youth.

Background

African Union designated 11 July as the African Anti-Corruption Day. This year will mark the fifth edition of the African Anti-Corruption Day under the theme "Regional Economic Communities: Critical Actors in the Implementation of the African Union

Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption". The day shall serve as a basis for all anti-corruption stakeholders to reflect and dialogue on the role of Regional Economic Communities in promoting the anti-corruption agenda. The reflections will facilitate the identification and dissemination of the challenges, good practices that an effectiveness of the Regional Economic Communities bring in fighting corruption.

The African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption (AUCPCC) was adopted in Maputo, Mozambique on 11 July 2003 and came into force in 2006. To date, the Convention has been ratified by 44 Member States of the African Union. Since adoption of the Convention, African states have made significant strides in the fight against corruption including the enactment of national laws and the creation of anti-corruption agencies.

For more information, visit - <https://anticorruption.au.int/en/african-anti-corruption-day-2021>

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