SADC DEVELOPMENT FINANCE INSTITUTIONS NETWORK
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S FORUM

“Financial Inclusion in SADC - The Role of DFIs”

Royal Swazi Hotel, Ezulwini, Swaziland
7th December, 2017

SUMMARY

The forum will focus on theme “Financial Inclusion in SADC - The Role of DFIs”. The role of development finance institutions as critical drivers of the implementation of the SADC Financial Inclusion Strategy is well recognised.

In this regard, the objectives of the forum are to explore the status of financial inclusion in the SADC region, and the policy initiatives at national and regional level put in place to foster these developments. The Forum examines case studies of experiences and practices from the SADC region, and also draws on the research carried out in this field. In particular, the Forum looks at the role that DFIs have played in this process, and the specific policy initiatives that can be put in place to foster their enhanced contribution to this process. The programme also looks at the SADC policy and action plan on financial inclusion, and the role of the DFI Network and the DFRC in it.

PROGRAMME

CHAIR: Mr Patrick Dlamini, Chief Executive
Development Bank of Southern Africa

08:30 - 08:50 REGISTRATION
08:50 - 09:00 Arrival of the Guest of Honour
09:00 - 09:10 Welcome Remarks by Mr Dumisani Msibi, Chair of the SADC DFI Network and Group Managing Director for FINCORP, Swaziland
09:10 - 09:30 Official Opening by Senator Martin G. Dlamini, Honourable Minister of Finance of the Kingdom of Swaziland
09:30 - 09:40  PHOTOGRAPHY

09:40 - 10:10  Keynote presentation:  *Regional Strategy and Implementation of Financial Inclusion*
Ms Thembi Langa, Senior Programme Officer, SADC Secretariat

10:10 - 10:30  Financial Inclusion Policy in Swaziland
Mr David M Myeni, Director, Centre for Financial Inclusion, Swaziland

10:30 - 11:00  HEALTH BREAK

11:00 – 11:20  *Financial Inclusion in Zimbabwe*
Mr Mike Nyamazana, Associate Consultant (Zimbabwe) Finmark Trust

11:20 – 11:40  Alternative Financial Service Providers
Mr Sam Shongwe, Chief Consumer Officer, MTN Swaziland

11:40 – 12:00  Research and Information for financial inclusion
Dr Kingstone Musontziwa, FINMARK TRUST

12:00 – 12:10  Role of DFI Network in Financial Inclusion
Dr Herrick Mpuku, Programme Manager, SADC DFRC

12:10 – 12:40  Discussions

12:40 – 13.00  Closing remarks Mr Stuart Kufeni, Chief Executive Officer
SADC Development Finance Resource Centre

13:00 – 14:30  LUNCH

**Rapporteur:**  Dr Phindile Dlamini, Fincorp Board Member and Lecturer at the University of Swaziland

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