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ZIMBABWE DEVELOPMENT FINANCE SCHOOL RESUMES

7th - 18 September 2015

A sequential special Zimbabwean cluster Development Finance programmes initiative launched October 2013, and named the Zimbabwe Development Finance School (ZDFS) was inaugurated with three (3) consecutive executive development programmes targeted at local DFIs and other stakeholders.

Zimbabwean Development Finance School, Cresta Lodge Harare, Harare, Zimbabwe

This year the initiative saw a conniving of two (2) weeks training programmes of five (5) days each on Investment Appraisal and Risk Analysis and Debt Management, Workouts and Restructuring.

The first week programme was officially opened and closed by Mr. Ngwebu, Senior Manager from the Industrial Development Corporation of Zimbabwe (IDCZ) who emphasised the importance of education through experiences and knowledge sharing. He further commended the work done by the DFRC in the region in trying to close the gap in financial literacy.

Mr. Stuart Kufeni, SADC-DFRC during the closing ceremony in Harare, Zimbabwe.

The second week programme was opened by Mr. Mushohwe, Manager from the IDCZ who raised concerns on the rate of Non performing loans (NPLs) in DFIs. He further encouraged participants to share their experiences on how they deal with NPLs in their organisations and countries.

Mr. Macheke, Executive Director from the Agricultural Development Bank of Zimbabwe closed the programme with the Chief Executive Officer of the SADC-DFRC Mr. Stuart Kufeni in attendance. He acknowledged that NPLs have forced the Zimbabwean banks to adopt a cautious approach to lending, and the Governor of the Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe had declared it as a top priority in the recently announced Monetary Policy Statement. Read More.

Mr. Tranos Ngwebu, IDC Zimbabwe during the opening ceremony.

The two (2) programmes were attended by thirty eight (38) participants from Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia, Seychelles, Tanzania, Zambia and local DFIs, State Owned Enterprises (SOEs) and the private sector within Zimbabwe.

The ZDFS was facilitated by three (3) regional experts, the first programme was resourced by Mr. Stephen Zhanje, a lecturer at the University of Limpopo and the latter by Mr. John Mheyamwa and Mr. Tshililo Makakabule, both from the Industrial Development Corporation of South Africa

Mr. Francis Macheka, Agribank Zimbabwe during the closing ceremony

Motto

Building Partnerships for Economic Growth and Development

Vision

The leader in facilitating development finance solutions in the region and continent

Mission

Supporting development finance institutions and governments to achieve national and regional development goals through capacity building, research, advisory services and advocacy

Values

- Professionalism
- Value and Innovation
- Stakeholder Focus
- Accountability
- Results Driven
- Employee Focus and Teamwork

Activities

- Policy Research and Advisory Services
- Capacity Building
- SME Development
- Infrastructure Support

FINANCE FOR NON FINANCE MANAGERS

8th – 10th July 2015

Finance for Non Finance Managers, Hotel Safari, Windhoek, Namibia

This programme was developed to assist managers and decision makers appreciate the importance of understanding and interpreting financial information, and to use it for the benefit of their departments and sections in the organisation.

Fifteen (15) delegates from Development Finance Institutions and governments within two (2) countries in the region attended the programme. Countries represented were Botswana and Namibia.

The programme was officially closed by Mr. Joseph Nyamunda, General Manager - Corporate Banking from SME Bank Limited of Namibia.

A lecturer at the University of South Africa Mr. Charles Nyoka facilitated the programme.

Mr. Joseph Nyamunda, SME Bank Ltd during the official closing of the programme.

LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

13th – 15th July 2015

The outcome was to ensure understanding elements of Leadership culture as a critical point of reference in aligning and achieving an organisational purpose. It further equip the identified target with the skills needed to interface between their teams and senior managers and increase productivity in managing teams and resources properly.

Leadership and Management Development Programme, Hotel Safari, Windhoek, Namibia

The training was attended by twenty nine (29) delegates from Development Finance Institutions and governments within three (3) countries in the region namely Botswana, Namibia and Swaziland.

Mr. Tawanda Mumvuma, the Chief Executive Officer of the SME Bank Limited officially opened the programme while Mr. Vinson Hailulu, the then Chief Executive Officer of National Housing Enterprise did the closing. The SADC-DFRC was represented by Dr. Herrick Mpuku, the Programmes Manager who gave a vote of thanks.

The programme was facilitated by Ms. Gizelle Mc Intyre from Institutes of People Development in South Africa, a specialist in leadership management and human resources development.

Participants during Leadership and Management Development Programme, Hotel Safari, Windhoek, Namibia

PROJECT APPRAISAL FOR SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

3rd – 7th August 2015

Project Appraisal for Small and Medium Enterprises, Maseru Sun, Maseru, Lesotho

Project Appraisal for Small and Medium Enterprises and Enterprise Development training programme was aimed at developing the skills of appraising SME projects for financing, and policy context of promoting entrepreneurship and enterprise development.

Participants were guided to appreciate the context, culture and practices of SMEs and entrepreneurship as well as the SME development ecosystem in order to render effective support to the client entrepreneurs through evolution and development of viable business projects.

This training was attended by thirty four (34) delegates from Development Finance Institutions and governments within five (5) countries in the region. Countries represented were Angola, Lesotho, Namibia, Swaziland and Zimbabwe

The programme was officially opened by Dr. Moeketsi Mofammere, the Principal Secretary from the Ministry of Small Business Development, Cooperatives and Marketing in Lesotho. Mr. Robert Likhang, Chief Executive Officer of the Basotho Enterprise Development Corporation officially closed the programme while SADC-DFRC was represented by Dr. Herrick Mpuku, the Programmes Manager.

Mr. Windu Matoka, a consultant from Wadada Consultants from Zambia resources the programme.

Mr. Robert Likhang, BEDCO during the official closing ceremony.

INVESTMENT APPRAISAL AND RISK ANALYSIS FOR BITC

10th – 14th August 2015

A special programme was delivered for the Botswana Investment and Trade Centre and its objective was to develop skills on planning and assessing investment projects, redesign projects to add value, prepare project financing agreement and address stakeholders concerns. The programme also covered discussion on issues pertained to Foreign direct Investments.

Investment Appraisal and Risk Analysis for BITC, Lions Park Resort, Gaborone, Botswana

The programme covered modern techniques of finance, financial modeling, applied economic analysis, risk analysis and risk management as they are applied to the appraisal of infrastructure projects.

Seventeen (17) delegates from the Botswana Investment and Trade Centre attended the programme.

Mr. Siyanga Malumo, who is the Chairman of Africana Finance and Investments in South Africa resourced the programme.

The programme was officially opened by Dr. Herrick Mpuku, the Programmes Manager at SADC-DFRC and the closing was done by Ms. Emeldah Phokoletso, an Executive Director at the Botswana Investment Trade Centre.

Participants during Investment Appraisal and Risk Analysis for BITC, Lions Park Resort, Gaborone, Botswana

Small and Medium Enterprises Development Corporation (SMEDCO)'s new logo

Small Enterprises Development Corporation SEDCO, a Zimbabwean Development Finance Institution (DFI) which is a network Member of the SADC -DFRC has since rebranded and changed its name to Small and Medium Enterprises Development Corporation (SMEDCO).

Ms. Gladys Kanyongo, GM of SMEDCO, Zimbabwe

Mr. Thomas Zondo Sakala has been appointed Chief executive officer at the Infrastructure Development Bank of Zimbabwe replacing Mr. Charles Chikaura who has retired.

Mr. Rookum Aubeelack, the acting Managing Director of the Development Bank of Mauritius has retired leaving the office to Mr. Bardwazsingh Jokhoo the Assistant Managing Director.

Mr. Elton Khoitage !Gaoseb has been appointed the Acting Chief Executive Officer of the National Housing Enterprise following the departure of Mr. Vinson Hailulu.

CAPACITY BUILDING - DEVELOPMENT FINANCE

Upcoming Training Programmes for 2015/16

- Programme: Prudential Standard, Guidelines and Rating System (PSGRS)
  Venue: South Africa
  Date: 5 - 6 November 2015

- Programme: Corporate Governance
  Venue: Swaziland
  Date: 16 - 19 November 2015

- Programme: Risk Management
  Venue: Angola
  Date: 30 November - 4 December 2015

Programmes for the whole financial year 2015/16 can be viewed by following the links below;

http://www.sadc-dfrc.org

https://www.facebook.com/sadcdfrc

PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

We are excited to announce our newly redesigned website which went live on August, 2015. It was revamped to act as a world class data resource catering to the requirements of its stakeholders. Find more about the website on the link below;

http://www.sadcpppnetwork.org

Programme Highlights In Pictures

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