

# ***Southern African Forum on Trade (SAFT) V***

**6-7 August 2008, Burgers Park Hotel – Tshwane  
Provisional Programme**

## **DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2008**

- 08h30 – 09h15      Arrival and registration
- 09h15 – 09h30      **Welcome, introductions and opening remarks**  
*Garth le Pere, Executive Director: IGD*  
*Peter Oesterdiekhoff, Resident Representative: FES, Angola*
- 09h30 – 10h00      **Keynote address: The regional integration agenda in SADC**  
*HE Dr Rob Davies*  
*Deputy Minister of Trade and Industry, South Africa*

## ***Session 1: The Political Economy of the SADC Trade Protocol***

- CHAIR:**                      *Hubert Schillinger*  
*Resident Representative: FES, Namibia*
- 10h00 – 10h20      **Implementation challenges for the SADC FTA – Tariffs and NTBs**  
*Eva Mudzonga*  
*TRADES Centre, Harare*
- 10h20 – 10h30      **Discussant:**    *Farai Zizhou*  
*FOPRISA-SADC Research Fellow*
- 10h30 – 11h00      Discussion, questions and answers
- 11h00 – 11h20      Tea

## ***Session 2: Technical Issues in the FTA***

- CHAIR:**                      *Sam Muradzikwa*  
*Development Bank of Southern Africa (DBSA)*
- 11h20 – 11h40      **Infrastructure and trade facilitation in SADC**  
*Mark Pearson*  
*Regional Trade Facilitation Programme (RTFP)*
- 11h40 – 12h00      **Rules of origin under the SADC FTA**  
*Eckart Naumann*  
*Associate, Trade Law Centre for Southern Africa (TRALAC)*
- 12h00 -12h10      **Discussant:**    *Mike Humphrey*  
*SADC Secretariat*
- 12h10 – 13h00      Discussion, questions and answers



**DAY 2: THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 2008**

**09h00 – 09h15** Summary: proceedings from first day of workshop

***Session 5: Towards a SADC Customs Union in 2010?***

**CHAIR:** *Farai Zizhou*  
*FOPRISA-SADC Research Fellow*

**09h15 – 09h35** **SADC and the challenges of customs union status in 2010**  
*Paul Kalenga*  
*Trade Policy Adviser, SADC Secretariat*

**09h35 – 09h45** ***Discussant:*** *Tsidiso Disenyana*  
*South African Institute of International Affairs (SAIIA)*

**09h45 – 11h00** Discussion, questions and answers

**11h00 – 11h20** Tea

**11h20 – 12:00** **Panel Discussion – Challenges in implementing the regional trade agenda**

**MODERATOR:** *Garth le Pere, Executive Director: IGD*

- *Paul Kalenga, SADC Secretariat*
- *Nick Charalambides, Imani Development*
- *Sam Muradzikwa, Development Bank of Southern Africa*
- *Christopher Stevens, Overseas Development Institute*
- *Richard Kamidza, Economic Justice Network*
- *Jonathan Mayuyuka Kaunda, BIDPA*

**12h00 – 13h00** Discussion, questions and answers

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**LUNCH**  
**13h00 – 14h00**  
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***Session 6: SAFT Strategy and Resolution***

**FACILITATOR:** *Jonathan Mayuyuka Kaunda*  
*Botswana Institute for Development Policy Analysis (BIDPA)*

**14h00 – 15h30** Discussion, drafting and presentation of SAFT V resolution

**15h30** Closing remarks  
*Garth le Pere, Executive Director: IGD*  
*Peter Oesterdiekhoff, Resident Representative: FES, Angola*