



**Parliamentary Workshop on**  
**Negotiating Economic Partnership Agreements with the European Union:**  
**Current State of Negotiations, Issues, Options and Challenges for Namibia**

Monday, 20 October 2008 (08h30 – 13h30)

National Assembly, Conference Room C1

Programme:

Chairperson: **Hon. Peya Mushelenga, MP** Chairperson: Standing Committee on Economics, Natural Resources and Public Administration

08h30 - 08h45	<u>Registration</u>
08h45 – 09h00	<u>Welcome Remarks:</u> <b>Hon. Peya Mushelenga</b> , MP Chairperson: Standing Committee on Economics, Natural Resources and Public Administration
09h00-09h10	<u>Introduction into the Workshop:</u> <b>Mr Hubert René Schillinger</b> , Resident Representative, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung
09h10 – 09h40	<u>Presentation:</u> Current State of EPA Negotiations: Issues, Options & Challenges for Namibia <b>Dr Malan Lindeque</b> , Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Trade & Industry, Republic of Namibia
09h40 - 10h15	<u>Questions &amp; Answers</u>
10h15 – 11h00	<u>Presentation:</u> The EPA-Negotiations: A Perspective from Agriculture <b>Mrs Ndiitah Robiati</b> , Trade Adviser, Agricultural Trade Forum (ATF) & <b>Mr Jürgen Hoffmann</b> , Special Trade Advisor, ATF
11h00 – 11h30	<u>Questions &amp; Answers</u>
11h30 – 11h45	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
11h45 – 12h15	<u>Presentation:</u> Addressing the Fiscal Implications of a Free Trade Agreement with the European Union <b>Ms Dagmar Honsbein</b> , Ministry of Finance, (tbc)
12h15 – 12h45	<u>Questions &amp; Answers</u>
12h45 – 13h15	<u>Discussion:</u> EPA Negotiations: The Way Forward/ What Role for Members of Parliament?
13h15 – 13h30	<u>Closing Remarks</u> <b>Hon. Clara Bothile</b> , MP Deputy Chairperson: Standing Committee on Economics, Natural Resources and Public Administration
13h30	LUNCH (End of Programme)