



**DRAFT PROGRAM**

**TRAINING OF COMESA NATIONAL EXPERTS IN THE  
DEVELOPEMNT OF NATIONAL GATS TEMPATES**

**FOR THE  
REGIONAL ASSESSMENT OF TRADE IN SERVICES  
IN THE COMESA REGION PROJECT**

**13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2004  
Zambezi Sun International Hotel  
Livingstone  
ZAMBIA**

**SUNDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2004**

**0800-2000 REGISTRATION**

**DAY ONE MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2004**

**0730-0830 REGISTRATION CONTINUED**

**0900-1000 OFFICIAL OPENING –**

*Chair –Calson Mbegabolawe, COMESA Secretariat*

**0900-0910** Introductory remarks by representative from COMESA

**0900-0920** Introductory remarks by representative from UNCTAD

**0920-1000 Official opening by the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Commerce Trade and Industry of the Republic of Zambia ( to be confirmed)**

**1000-1030 TEA BREAK**

**1030-1230 MODULE ONE - INTRODUCTIONS TO TRADE IN SERVICES AND THE GATS**

*Chair – Calson Mbegabolawe, COMESA Secretariat*

**1030-1100 A-** Introduction to the basic economics of services trade **(World Bank name to be confirmed)**

**1100-1130 B-**Introductions to the General Agreement of Trade in Services **(GATS) (UNCTAD Secretariat name to be confirmed)**

**1130-1230 Plenary**

**1230-1400 LUNCH BREAK**

**1400-1600 MODULE TWO- INTRODUCTION TO THE REGIONAL ASSESSMENT OF TRADE IN SERVICES IN THE COMESA REGION PROJECT-**

*Chair UNCTAD Secretariat*

**1400-1415 A-**Introduction to and update on the EPA negotiations between the European Union and the Eastern and Southern African (ESA) Configuration **(Calson Mbegabolawe, COMESA Secretariat)**

**1415-1430 B-** Presentation on the background, objective, scope of work and methodology of The regional assessment of trade in services in the COMESA region **(Chawe Mpande-Chuulu, COMESA Secretariat)**

**1430-1500** Presentation of the scope of work and methodology of the development of National GATS Templates **(Chawe Mpande-Chuulu)**

**1500-1600 Plenary**

**1600-1615 TEA BREAK**

- 1615-1800**      **MODULE THREE - CURRENT STATUS OF NEGOTIATIONS ON TRADE IN SERVICES IN THE WTO AND ON ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS –**  
*Chair- representative from the World Bank*
- 1615-1630**      **A-A** comparison of EU negotiations on trade in services: lessons to be learnt for the ESA-EPA (**Morgan Githinji, ACP Secretariat**)
- 1630-1645**      **B-**Current status of the negotiations on trade in services in the WTO and areas of focus by African member States. (**Clare Akamanzi, Mission of Rwanda to the UN in Geneva**)
- 1645-1730**      **Plenary**
- 1730-1800**      **Re-cap of main discussion**

**DAY TWO**                    **TUESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2004**

**0900-1000**                    **MODULE FOUR – PILOT NATIONAL GATS TEMPLATES –**  
*Chair – Chawe Mpande-Chuulu COMESA Secretariat*

**0900-0930**                    **A - Presentation of Pilot GATS Template for Uganda (Francis Mangeni, Independent Consultant)**

**0930-1000**                    **B- Presentation of Pilot GATS Template for Zambia (Nana Mudenda/Sindiso Kankasa)**

**1000-1030**                    **C-Presentation of Pilot GATS Template for Malawi (to be confirmed)**

**1030-1100**                    **D.-Presentation of Pilot GATS Template for Zimbabwe( to be confirmed )**

**1100-1115**                    **TEA BREAK**

**1115-1230**                    **Plenary**

**1230-1400**                    **LUNCH BREAK**

**1400-1600**                    **MODULE FIVE PRESENTATIONS OF MEASURES THAT AFFECT SERVICES TRADE UNDER THE FOUR MODES OF SUPPLY EXAMPLES FROM SELECTED REGIONS**  
*Chair -UNCTAD Secretariat*

**1400-1420**                    **A - Presentation of Measures that affect services trade in the four modes of supply - illustrations from countries in sub-Saharan Africa (to be confirmed)**

**1420-1440**                    **B-Presentation of Measures that affect services trade in the four modes of supply - illustrations from countries in Northern Africa and the Middle East (to be confirmed)**

**1440-1500**                    **C- Presentation of Measures that affect services trade in the four modes of supply - illustrations from countries in the European Union (to be confirmed)**

**1520-1540**                    **D- Presentation of Measures that affect services trade in the four modes of supply - illustrations from countries in Asia and the Pacific (to be confirmed)**

**1540-1600**                    **E.-Presentation of Measures that affect services trade in the four modes of supply - illustrations from countries in North America (to be confirmed)**

- 1600-1620**      **F. Presentation of Measures that affect services trade in the four modes of supply - illustrations from countries in South America (to be confirmed)**
- 1620-1640**      **TEA BREAK**
- 1640-1800**      **Plenary**

**DAY THREE                    WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2004.**

**0900-1230                    MODULE SIX –CONVERSIONS OF COUNTRY MEASURES INTO A NATIONAL GATS TEMPLATE (into the four modes of supply)**

**GROUP ONE-**                Djibouti and Comoros

**GROUP TWO-**                Congo DR, Madagascar and Burundi

**GROUP THREE**              Egypt, Sudan and Ethiopia

**GROUP FOUR**                Eritrea and Rwanda

**GROUP FIVE**                Kenya and Malawi

**GROUP SIX**                  Seychelles and Mauritius

**GROUP SEVEN**              Zimbabwe and Swaziland

**GROUP EIGHT**              Zambia and Uganda

**0900-1030                    Conversions of country measures into GATS Template (**Group Work**)**

**1030-1045                    TEA BREAK**

**1045-1230                    Conversions of country measures into GATS Template (**Group Work continued**)**

**1230-1500                    LUNCH BREAK**

**1500-1800                    MODULE SEVEN -PRESENTATION OF CONVERSIONS OF COUNTRY MEASURES INTO GATS TEMPLATES**

*Chair – Chawe Mpande-Chuulu COMESA Secretariat*

**1500-1515                    A-. Presentations of conversion of country measures into GATS Templates:-  
Group Three - Egypt, Sudan and Ethiopia**

**1515-1530                    B-Presentations of conversion of country measures into GATS Templates:-  
Group Six - Seychelles and Mauritius**

**1530-1545                    C-Presentations of conversion of country measures into GATS Templates:-  
Group Four - Eritrea and Rwanda**

- 1545-1600**      **D-Presentations of conversion of country measures into GATS Templates:-  
Group Five - Kenya and Malawi**
- 1545-1600**      **E-Presentations of conversion of country measures into GATS Templates:-  
Group Seven - Zimbabwe and Swaziland**
- 1600-1615**      **F-.Presentations of conversion of country measures into GATS Templates:-  
Group Seven - Zambia and Uganda**
- 1615-1630**      **TEA BREAK**
- 1630-1800**      **Plenary**

- DAY FOUR THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2004.**
- 0900-1000 MODULE SEVEN - PRESENTATION OF CONVERSIONS OF COUNTRY MEASURES INTO GATS TEMPLATES CONTINUED**  
*Chair – UNCTAD Secretariat*
- 0900-0915 G -Presentations of conversion of country measures into GATS Templates:- Group Two- Congo DR, Madagascar and Burundi**
- 0915-0930 H -Presentations of conversion of country measures into GATS Templates:- Group One - Djibouti and Comoros**
- 0930-1000 Plenary**
- 1000-1030 TEA BREAK**
- 1030-1230 MODULE EIGHT - TRAINING IN THE USE OF THE GATS TEMPLATES DATABASE**  
*Chair – Chawe Mpande-Chuulu*
- 1030-1100 A.-Presentation of the GATS Templates Database (Stanley Kamocha)**
- 1100-1230 B. Practical demonstration on the use of the database (Stanley Kamocha and Zambia pilot study team)**
- 1230-1400 LUNCH BREAK**
- 1500-1700 MODULE NINE- SUMMARY OF TRAINING SESSIONS**  
*Chair – participant*
- 1500-1510 Summary of Training Module One (UNCTAD Secretariat)**
- 1510-1530 Summary of Training Modules Two and Three (Calson Mbegabolawe, COMESA Secretariat)**
- 1530-1600 Summary of Training Modules Four and Five (Chawe Mpande-Chuulu, COMESA Secretariat)**
- 1600-1630 Summary of Training Module Seven (to be confirmed)**
- 1630-1700 Summary of Training Module Eight (Stan Kamocha)**

**1700-1800**

**OFFICIAL CLOSING**

*Chair – Chawe Mpande –Chuulu, COMESA Secretariat*

**1710-1720**

Statement by Representative from COMESA

**1720-1730**

Statement by nominated participant

**1730-1800**

Officials closing by representative from Ministry of Commerce Trade and Industry

**1900**

**CLOSING COCKTAIL**