



PROGRAMME FOR TRAPCA TRADE POLICY FORUM 2008

Topical Issues in Trade Policy and Development in LDCs

DAY 1

Monday 29 September 2008

Master of Ceremony: Executive Director, Mr Peter Kiuluku

0800hrs – 0900hrs: Registration of Participants and Distribution of Forum Material

0900hrs – 0915hrs: Opening speech by Director General ESAMI, *Prof. Bonard Mwappe*

0915hrs – 1000hrs: Official Opening by Guest of Honor

Mr Anders Ahnlid, Director General for Trade, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sweden, Key note paper: The Doha Development Agenda at the Brink: What's next? A Swedish Perspective

Session one: LDCs in the World Trade System

1000hrs – 1300hrs: **Moderator: Academic Director Professor Göte Hansson, trapca and Lund University**

1000 hrs – 1020 hrs: **Prof. Sam Laird, Geneva, New thinking on trade and development.**

1020 hrs – 1040 hrs: *Discussant:* **Prof. William Lyakurwa, AERC**

1050 hrs – 1120 hrs: *TEA/COFFEE BREAK*

1120 hrs -1130 hrs: **Dr. Edwini Kessie, WTO, Developments in the DDA negotiations**

1130 hrs – 1150 hrs: *Discussant:* **Mr. Anders Ahnlid, Sweden**

1300hrs- 1400hrs

LUNCH

Session two: Trade Policy issues

1400 hrs – 1620hrs: *Moderator: Caiphas Chekwoti*

1400 hrs – 1420 hrs: **Mr. Kofi Addo**, Geneva, *African Countries Participation in the WTO Dispute Settlement Mechanism: Implications and Way Forward.*

1420 hrs – 1440 hrs: *Discussant:* **Dr. Kindiki Kithure**

1450 hrs – 1510hrs: **Dr. Jacques Degbelo**, WTO; *Trade Policies in Africa: Lessons Learnt*

1510 hrs – 1530hrs: *Discussant:* **Mr. James Musonda, COMESA**

1540 hrs – 1600hrs: **Dr Medicine Masiwa**, University of Zimbabwe and Director of Africa Institute for Policy Analysis and Development (AIPAD), Harare: *Economic Partnership Agreements and FDI in Africa: The Case of Horticulture in Kenya, Zimbabwe and Zambia*

1600 hrs – 1620hrs: *Discussant:* **Dr. Wumi Kolayiwola, Ibadan**

1700

Cocktail

DAY 2

Tuesday 30 September 2008

Moderator: Executive Director Mr Peter Kiuluku, *trapca*

0900 hrs – 0920 hrs: **Prof. William Lyakurwa**, Executive Director, AERC, Nairobi, Kenya
Aid for Trade

0920 hrs – 0940hrs: *Discussant:* **Prof. Kerfalla Yansane, Conakry**

0950 hrs – 1010 hrs: **Dr. Charles A. Okello**, Gulu University, Uganda: *Impacts of East Africa Community Customs Union on Uganda Economy: A Computable General Equilibrium (CGE) Analysis.*

1010 hrs – 1030hrs: *Discussant:* **Dr. Jacques Debelo, WTO**

1040 hrs – 1100 hrs: **Dr. John Mutenyo**, Makerere University, Uganda, *Does FDI crowd out domestic private investment in Africa?*

1100 hrs – 1120hrs: *Discussant:* **Dr. Ernest Molua, Buea**

1130hrs – 1150hrs

TEA BREAK

Session three: Firm response and competitiveness.

Moderator: Deputy Academic Director, Associate Professor Joakim Gullstrand, *trapca*, Lund University

1150hrs – 1210 hrs: **Dr. Ernest Molua**, University of Buea, Cameroun, *Assessment of Trade Liberalisation and Facilitation in Cameroon's Agricultural Sector: Competitiveness and Welfare Impact on the Coffee Sector.*

1210 hrs – 1230hrs: *Discussant:* **Dr. Adam Mugume, BoU**

1240hrs – 1300hrs: **Dr. Eria Hisali**, Makerere University, *Firm level productivity and exporting in Uganda's manufacturing sector.*

1300 hrs – 1320hrs: *Discussant:* **Prof. Sam Laird, Geneva**

1330hrs – 1430hrs

LUNCH

Moderator: **Executive Director Mr Peter Kiuluku**, *trapca*

1430hrs – 1630hrs

Session six: Round Table Discussions: *Multilateral Negotiations: Which way LDCs and developing countries?*
Prof. Bonard Mwape, Director General, ESAMI
Prof. William Lyakurwa, Executive Director, AERC,
Prof. Sam Laird,
Dr. Edwini Kessie, WTO

1630hrs – 1800hrs

Tea and networking and closing remarks