



### - PROGRAMME -

## SADC INVESTMENT POLICY AND REGIONAL INTEGRATION: THE CASE OF SELECT COUNTRIES AND SOUTH AFRICA

#### SCOPING WORKSHOP

Tuesday 17 February 2015
Townhouse Hotel, Cape Town

08h30-09h00 Registration

09h00-09h10 Welcome and Introductions

Dr Holger Dix, Konrad Adenauer Foundation (tbc)

09h10-09h30 Overview of the Project and Workshop Outcomes

Peter Draper, South African Institute of International Affairs

09h30–10h30 Summary of International Experiences in FDI Public Seminar Discussion: South
Africa and SADC's regulatory framework for FDI

Mark Schoeman and Azwimpheleli Langalanga , South African Institute of International Affairs – International trends in SADC investment environment – looking at SA's close neighbours – Angola, Botswana, Mozambique, and Namibia

Fola Adeleke, Mandela Institute, University of the Witswatersrand School of Law – SADC's regulatory framework and the prospects for regulatory harmonisation

10h30-10h45 Refreshment Break

10h45-12h00 Established and emerging foreign investor countries in Southern Africa

Henri Bezuidenhout, North West University – Overview of major sources of FDI into SADC

Vivienne Bath, University of Melbourne – *Chinese FDI in Africa, Southeast Asia, and the Pacific* 

James Nedumpara, Jindal Global Law School – *India's FDI experience in manufacturing in Southeast Asia - lessons for SADC* 

Cynthia Chikura, Imani – EU-SADC trade and investment linkages



13h30-15h30 Finger Lunch and Cocktail Reception



12h00-12h15	Refreshment Break
12h15-13h15	Regulation and Public-Private Engagement in Investment and Industrial Policy
	Lesley Wentworth, South African Institute of International Affairs – Public-private partnerships in sub-Saharan Africa
	Nick Charalambides, Imani – Industrial and investment policies in Southern Africa
13h15-13h30	Closing and Thanks Lesley Wentworth, South African Institute of International Affairs





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### PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Economic Diplomacy Programme at the South African Institute of International Affairs is undertaking a new research project, support by the Konrad Adenauer Foundation (KAS), which will be investigating *Foreign Direct Investment and Regional Integration: a selection of five Southern African Case Studies*. The aim of the project is to produce a book in 2016 which will present an innovative approach to researching the function and relationship of FDI in five South African countries: Angola, Namibia, Botswana, Mozambique, and South Africa. A selection of topics relating to FDI, what role it plays in development, how it is governed, and how it can impact regional integration will be investigated in each of the country contexts. One of the key aims of the projects is to contribute original work towards the topic of how FDI can drive regional integration, rather than the more traditional approach of the impact of regional integration on unlocking FDI, and the role of the private sector in driving regional integration.

Some of these specific issues which the SAIIA project team are interested in investigating are:

- Established and emerging foreign investor countries in Southern Africa who are the major foreign investment partners with Southern Africa and how are shifts in this profile impacting the role and effect of FDI? In particular, this theme would like to investigate the changing role of Chinese FDI in Angola and Chinese 'oil-for-infrastructure' deals, the activities of South African MNCs in Botswana's mining industry, the role of German firms in Namibia's transport sector, and the impact of Brazilian SOE investment in Mozambique.
- FDI and the interplay between the public and private sector based on previous work SAIIA
  has undertaken on public-private engagement, how is FDI impacted by the dynamic
  interplay between the public and private sector in each country. In particular, the issues of
  public-private partnerships in Mozambique and Namibia will be investigated, as well as the
  role of state-owned enterprises in FDI (particularly South African, Chinese, and Brazilian
  SOEs investing in Southern Africa).
- Local development through FDI regulation how can FDI regulation be used to protect
  domestic policy space and key national interests without scaring away much needed FDI
  inflows? Given the recent controversy caused by South Africa cancelling its bilateral
  investment treaties and introducing a proposed piece of legislation which is perceived to
  provide less investor protection, this theme will investigate indigenisation policies in all five
  countries, FDI screening regulation, and the implication for South Africa's Protection and
  Promotion of Investment Bill for the other countries.
- Investment and Industrial Policy what interplay is there between investment policy and
  industrial policy in the Southern African context? This theme will particularly be looking at
  Botswana's diamond mining industry and the drive towards beneficiation and
  nationalisation, and how this has impacted on South African MNC investment.