



SADC DEVELOPMENT FINANCE INSTITUTIONS NETWORK CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S FORUM

“Challenges of Financing Agriculture in the SADC Region – A DFI Perspective”

The Capital Empire Hotel, Johannesburg, RSA

7th June 2018

SUMMARY

The objective of the forum is to examine the distinctive challenges relating to the financing of agricultural projects through the value chains with a view to arriving at policy and institutional level interventions to stimulate growth of the agricultural sector.

The agricultural sector is a significant sector in the SADC economy, and has been prioritised under the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, the African Union Vision 2063 and the SADC Plan of Action as a major development goal. It is imperative therefore that DFIs, alongside other financial institutions and development stakeholders, define how they can contribute to the growth of this sector.

PROGRAMME

	CHAIR:	Mr Tshokolo P Nchocho Chief Executive Officer Land and Agricultural Bank of South Africa
08:30 - 09:00	REGISTRATION	
09:00 - 09:10	WELCOME REMARKS:	Mr Dumisani Msibi Chair of the SADC DFI Network and Group Managing Director for FINCORP, Swaziland
09:10 – 09:40	OFFICIAL OPENING:	Ms Elda Mchiza Chief Director, Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, RSA
09:40 – 09:50	PHOTOGRAPHY	
09:50 – 10:10	GUEST SPEAKER:	Mr Martin Muchero Regional Agricultural Policy Coordinator: Directorate of Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources, SADC Secretariat Presentation on SADC Agricultural Policy and Investment and Role of DFIs

10:10 – 10:50	KEYNOTE PRESENTATION: Ms Loyiso Ndlovu Executive Manager, Commercial Development and Business Banking Land and Agricultural Development Bank of Southern Africa
10:50 - 11:15	HEALTH BREAK DISCUSSANTS:
11:15 – 11:30	Mr Elfas Chimbera Executive Director: Finance & ICT Agricultural Bank of Zimbabwe
11:30 – 11:45	Mr Mzee Kilele Principal Planning Officer Tanzania Agricultural Development Bank, LTD
11:45 – 12:00	Mr Andre Botes Executive for Sales Agricultural Bank of Namibia
12:00 – 12:15	Mr. Herilaza Woel Lala Chief Executive Officer Société Nationale de Participations, Madagascar
12:15 – 12:45	DISCUSSIONS
12:45 – 13:15	CLOSING REMARKS: Mr Geoffrey Qhena Chief Executive Officer Industrial Development Corporation of South Africa
13:15 – 14:30	LUNCH
18:00 hours	DINNER: Epicure Restaurant – Morningside Hosted by South African DFIs – Land Bank, IDCSA and DBSA