









National Validation Meeting and Awareness Workshop on the

National African Continental Free Trade Area Strategy of the Republic of Mozambique

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

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DAY 1 - 23 March 202 National AfCFTA Validation Workshop		
08.30 - 09.00	Registration	
09:00 - 10.00	Opening Ceremony	
	(MC – Ministry of Industry and Trade)	
	Statement by the United Nations Resident Coordinator Office (UNRCO).	
	Statement delivered on behalf of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), by Ms. Isatou Gaye, Chief, Subregional Initiatives Section, ECA Subregional Office for Southern Africa (SRO-SA).	
	Statement by the Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Mozambique.	
	Statement by Confederation of Economic Associations of Mozambique (CTA).	
	Statement by Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Republic of Mozambique.	
10.00 - 10.15	Tea/Coffee Break	
	National AfCFTA Strategy and Action Plan of Mozambique	
10.15 - 11.45	Presenter:	
	1. Mr Taku Fundira, Consultant, ECA.	
	Q&A	
11.45 - 13.30	Break Out Sessions (4 Groups)	
	Moderator: Ms. Esmeralda Matias Patricio, Head of Department of Economic Integration and Specialized Organizations, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Mozambique.	
	Guidelines for the Break-out sessions	
13.30 - 14.30	Lunch Break	

14.30 - 16.30	Presentations by Break out Groups (15 mins each) Moderator: Ms. Esmeralda Matias Patricio, Head of Department of Economic Integration and Specialized Organizations, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Mozambique. Q&A		
16.30 - 16.40	Concluding remarks and Way Forward Ms. Isatou Gaye, Chief, Subregional Initiatives Section, ECA SRO-SA. Mr. Claire Zimba, Director, Trade, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Mozambique.		
16.40 - 17.00	Tea/Coffee Break		
	DAY 1 - 24 March 2023		
	National AfCFTA Awareness Workshop		
08.45 - 09.15	Registration		
09.15 - 09.30	Welcome Remarks Welcoming remarks by Mr. Claire Zimba, Director, Trade, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Mozambique.		
09:15 - 10.15	 Session One: The AfCFTA: Overview, Mozambique in the AfCFTA negotiations and Implications of AfCFTA on Mozambique Moderator: Ms. Isatou Gaye, Chief, Subregional Initiatives Section, ECA SRO-SA. Presenters: An overview of the AfCFTA and expected benefits, Ms Bineswaree Bolaky, Economic Affairs Officer, ECA SRO-SA. Mozambique in the AfCFTA Negotiations, Ms. Esmeralda Matias Patricio, Head of Department of Economic Integration and Specialized Organizations, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Mozambique. Implications of the AfCFTA on Mozambique, Mr. Taku Fundira, Consultant, ECA. 		

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10.15 - 10.30	Tea/Coffee Break
10.30 - 12.00	Session Two: Unpacking the Protocols of the AfCFTA and their Implications for Mozambique
	Moderator: Ms. Bineswaree Bolaky, Economic Affairs Officer, ECA SRO-SA.
	Presenters:
	 Tariffs, Non-tariff Barriers and Rules of Origin under the AfCFTA, Ms. Trudi Hartzenberg, Executive Director, Trade Law Center, South Africa Trade in Services under the AfCFTA, Ms. Jacquiline Pimer, Trade Expert, ECA Africa Trade Policy Center (ATPC). Intellectual Property Rights, Investment and Competition Policy under the AfCFTA, Ms. Trudi Hartzenberg, Executive Director, Trade Law Center, South Africa.
	Q&A
12.00- 13.30	Session Three: The Southern African Development Community (SADC) FTA as a building block of the AfCFTA.
	Moderator: Ms. Jacquiline Pimer, Trade Expert, ECA ATPC.
	Presenters:
	 Trade in Goods under SADC and the AfCFTA, Mr. Taku Fundira, Consultant ECA, and Trade Associate, Trade Law Center, South Africa. Trade in Services under SADC and the AfCFTA, Ms. Viola Sawere, Regiona Trade Advisor, SADC Secretariat. Opportunities and Challenges for the Private Sector in SADC and the AfCFTA, Mr. Nicholas Charalambides, Director, Imani Development. GIZ support in the implementation of the AfCFTA in the SADC region, Mr. Tulo Makwati, Trade Advisor, GIZ.
	Q&A
13.30 - 14.30	Lunch Break
14.30 - 16.00	Session Four: Women, Youth and SMEs under the AfCFTA
	Moderator: Ms. Beatriz Machava, Head of Department of Economic Integration and Specialized Organizations, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Mozambique.

	Presenters: 1. Women, Youth and SMEs under the AfCFTA, Ms. Rose Ronoh, Gender Expert, ECA ATPC. 2. Opportunities and Challenges for SMEs in Mozambique, Ms. Joaquina Gumeta, Director, Institute for the Promotion of Small and Medium Enterprises (IPEME), Mozambique. 3. Opportunities and Challenges for Women and Youth Entrepreneurs under the AfCFTA in Mozambique, Ms. Sofia Dias Cassimo, President, Department of Business Women and Entrepreneurship, CTA- National Confederation Private Sector, Mozambique. Q&A
16.00 - 16.30	Concluding remarks and Way Forward Ms. Isatou Gaye, Chief, Subregional Initiatives Section, ECA SRO-SA. Mr. Claire Zimba, Director, Trade, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Mozambique.
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