

LAND LINKED ZAMBIA 2023

"Leveraging on the impacts of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AFCTA) for the African Transport & Logistics Industry "

DAY TWO: Friday 24 March 2023

08:00 – 09.00 Networking Breakfast & B2Bs

09:00–09:30 Mining Presentation

The Republican President, Mr. Hakainde Hichilema, made a pronouncement that Zambia could realistically produce three million tonnes of copper per annum by 2031. There are several ongoing efforts being made by the Government to ensure that the country increases its production capacity in the mining sector which will subsequently have a positive impact on the economy. An outstanding challenge in the mining industry is the cost of transporting the mining output and getting it to key locations for additional processing and further to the destination markets. This could present some challenges in the country realising the full potential of the industry especially in the wake of the AFCFTA that could provide a ready regional market for the increased output.

This session will focus on discussing the growth opportunities for the mining sector in the country as well as the prospects for increased market access in the wake of the AFCFTA. The session will focus on how transport and logistics could act as an enabler for increased output in the sector as well as facilitate efficient access to existing and new markets. Further, the session will focus on identifying opportunities for regional growth and development associated with the entire mining value chain in the wake of the AFCFTA. The session will identify specific interventions that could assist players in the transport and logistics sector to fully leverage on the growth and developments in the mining industry.

10.00-11.00 Plenary Session 3: Benefits of Domesticating TTTFP Model Laws, Policies, Regulations, Standards and Transport Corridor in the Tripartite Region

The lack of an integrated and liberalized road transport market in the Tripartite Region (EAC, SADC & COMESA) poses numerous obstacles to trade by causing severe delays and increased transport costs, as well as challenges to road safety and durability.

This session seeks to discuss how to addresses the numerous obstacles to trade through the implementation of harmonized road transport policies, laws, regulations, systems and standards that affect drivers, loads, vehicles and road infrastructure in the countries of the Tripartite region. Further to discuss and highlight the development process and best ways to implement the harmonised transport policies, laws, regulations and standards for efficient cross border road transport and transit networks, transport and logistics services, systems and procedures.

11:00- 11.15 -Health Break

11:15-12:00 Plenary Session 4: Discussing Efficient Border & Management in a Simplified Trade Regime

Recognizing that trade is an important element contributing to the social and economic development of the nation as a whole, Zambia being the land linked country have been striving to introduce a sound border management system which is able to encourage infrastructure development, facilitation of physical movement of persons and goods across and overcome current and emerging Non-Tariff Barriers at all the border Crossing.

This session seeks to highlight the complex nature of the requirement for efficient border management; inter-agency coordination and collaboration; physical infrastructure development; simplification and harmonization of processes and procedures of trade documentation; simplification and harmonization of processes and procedures related to means of transportation and/or the drivers. Further, the session seeks to discuss emerging Non-Tariff Barriers that impede on trade and transportation

12.00-1230- Presentation by NAMPORT Questions & Answers

12.30- 1330 – Lunch Break

1330-1500

Sector Presentations- Zambia Association of Manufacturers | Zambia Chamber of Commerce & Industry | Zambia National Farmers Union

Closing Reception at the Inter Continental Hotel, Lusaka 1800 hours

Key Highlights:	Director General, Zambia Development Agency
Closing Remarks:	Mr. Fredrick Mwalusaka , Permanent Secretary <i>Ministry of Transport & Logistics</i>