



Tripartite Sub-Regional Workshop:

Work for youth at the centre of rural transformation
in SADC Countries – Recommendations for future action”



AGENDA

Day 1 - 21 August	
08:30 - 09:00	<i>Arrival and registration</i>
09:00 - 09:15	Welcome remarks from Government of Zimbabwe
09:15 - 09:30	Objectives of the Meeting Ms. Hopolang Phororo, Director Harare Office, ILO
09:30 - 09:45	Remarks by SADC Employers' representatives
09:45 - 10:00	Remarks by SADC Workers' representatives
10:00 - 10:15	Remarks by SADC Chair
10:15 - 10:30	Round of brief introductions
10:30 - 11:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
Context Setting	
11:15 - 11:45	Sustainable rural development for decent work Ms. Alette van Leur, Director, Sectoral Policies Department, ILO
11:45 - 12:15	Introduction of the SADC Youth Employment Promotion Policy Framework (YEPF) Mr. Maxwell Parakokwa, Senior Programme Officer, SADC Secretariat
12:15 - 13:15	<i>Lunch break</i>
Working Group Sessions	
13:15 - 13:30	Working methods for the sessions ILO Specialist
Working Group Theme 1: Unlocking the potential of the rural economy through employment policies and strategies for youth	
13:30 - 14:00	Introduction to the topic ILO Specialists: Bernd Mueller, Specialist Employment and Asfaw Kidanu, Senior Specialist EIIP
14:00 - 16:00 (with intermittent coffee break)	Group work to identify major action areas for rural youth in the YEPF Facilitated by ILO Specialists
16:00 - 17:00	Reporting back on Working Group Theme 1
Day 2 - 22 August	
Working Group Theme 2: Enhancing productivity and working conditions of rural youth in agriculture and off-farm activities	
08:30 - 09:00	Introduction to the topic ILO Specialists: Anna Marie Kiaga, Specialist Informal Economy, and Elisenda Estruch Puertas, Specialist Rural Economy and Related Sectors

09:00 - 11:00 (with intermittent coffee break)	Group work to identify major action areas for rural youth in the YEPPF Facilitated by ILO Specialists
11:00 - 12:00	Reporting back on Working Group Theme 2
12:00 - 13:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
Working Group Theme 3: Empowering youth and women to participate in rural labour markets	
13:00 - 14:00	Introduction to the topic and presentation 2 ILO projects ILO Specialist: Ms Laura Brewer, Senior Specialist Skills Development, and other ILO staff.
14:00 - 16:00 (with intermittent coffee break)	Group work to identify major action areas for rural youth and women in the rural economy Facilitated by ILO Specialists
16:00 - 17:00	Reporting back on Working Group Theme 3
Day 3 - 23 August	
08:30 – 09:00	Presentation of the key recommendations from the working groups Mr. Willys Simfukwe, Technical Advisor OVC&Y, SADC Secretariat
09:00 - 10:30	Discussion of the recommendations Moderated by the ILO
11:00 - 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30 - 11:45	Way forward Mr. Maxwell Parakokwa, Senior Programme Officer, SADC Secretariat
11:45 - 12:25	Closing remarks Remarks by SADC Employers' representatives Remarks by SADC Workers' representatives Remarks by SADC Chair
12:25 – 12:30	Word of thanks from Government of Zimbabwe
12:30	<i>Lunch and departure</i>