



PROGRAMME

VIRTUAL JOINT SESSION OF SADC PF STANDING COMMITTEES AND THE RWPC

(Human and Social Development and Special Programmes; Democracy and Governance and Human Rights; Regional Women’s Parliamentary Caucus; Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources; Trade, Industry, Finance and Investment; and Regional Parliamentary Model Laws Oversight Committee)

SESSION I THEME:

“THE URGENCY OF CONTINUED INVESTMENTS IN CHILD MARRIAGE IN THE COVID-19 CONTEXT AND THE ROLE OF THE SADC MODEL LAW ON CHILD MARRIAGE”

SESSION II THEME:

THE ROLE OF PARLIAMENTARIANS IN ADVANCING ACCESS TO ADVANCE ACCESS TO COVID VACCINES, MEDICINES AND DIAGNOSTICS”

15TH APRIL 2021

TIME	ACTIVITY	FACILITATOR
08:00-09:00	Registration of participants through the online platform	SADCPF Secretariat
09:00-09:05	Welcome Remarks	Madam Secretary General
09:05-09:10	Official Opening Statement	HSDP Chairperson
	Session 1	
09:10-09:25	(a) Presentation on the history of development and key points on the SADC model law on child marriage;	Ms Eva (15 minutes)
09:25-09:40	(b) Presentation on the data/trends on child marriage in Southern Africa and of Covid 19;	UNFPA/UNICEF (15 minutes)
09:40-10:10	(c) Presentation on the UNFPA – UNICEF Global programme to end child marriage (GEPCM) 5 th Anniversary including the Wait and Wed video and Comics	UNFPA/UNICEF (30 minutes)
10:10–10:40	Plenary discussion on how MPs can use the UNFPA/UNICEF resources including the animated video series to advance their work in their countries on the adoption of the SADC Model Law	UNFPA/UNICEF
10:40–11:00	TEA BREAK	
11:00–11:25	Session 2 Presentation on SADC Member States Snapshot Report on status of TRIPS Flexibilities in the region	The AIDS and Rights Alliance for southern Africa (ARASA) and Southern African Programme on Access to Medicines and Diagnostics (SAPAM) (30 minutes)
11:25–12:00	Plenary discussion on the status of TRIPS Flexibilities in the SADC region and what role Parliamentarians can play	ARASA/ SAPAM (35 Minutes)
12:00–12:25	Presentation on the Role Parliamentarians Play to Advance Access to COVID-19 Vaccines, Medicines and Diagnostics	ARASA/ SAPAM (25 Minutes)
12:25–13:00	Plenary discussion on how Parliamentarians can assist to advance Access to COVID-19 Vaccines, Medicines and Diagnostics	ARASA/ SAPAM (35 Minutes)
13:00–13:15	Way Forward	UNFPA/SADC PF
13:15–13:20	Vote of Thanks & Closing Remarks	Chairperson of the DGHR Committee
END OF PROGRAMME		