



SYMPOSIUM PROGRAMME

SADC PARLIAMENTARY FORUM 49TH PLENARY ASSEMBLY SESSION

THEME: *LEVERAGING THE AfCFTA FOR POST-COVID ECONOMIC RECOVERY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA: THE ROLE OF SADC PARLIAMENTARY FORUM AND NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS*

**HOSTED VIRTUALLY BY THE PARLIAMENT OF
BOTSWANA**

25TH TO 27TH JUNE 2021

TIME ZONE: GMT +2 (JOHANNESBURG TIME)

DATE	MEETING	TIME
25 June	PLENARY ASSEMBLY SYMPOSIUM	
	<i>Logging-in of Delegates - All delegates to be logged in by 13:55</i>	13:00 – 14:00
	Theme: <i>Leveraging the AfCFTA for Post-Covid Economic Recovery in Southern Africa: The Role of SADC Parliamentary Forum and National Parliaments</i>	14:00 – 16:30
	Session Chair: Minister of Investment, Trade and Industry, Government of Botswana, <i>Hon. Mmusi Kgafela</i>	
	Address by the SADC PF President & Speaker of the National Assembly of the Democratic Republic of Congo, Hon. Christophe MBOSO N’KODIA PWANGA	14:00 – 14:05
	Presentations by Resource Persons:	14:00 – 1530
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) AfCFTA Secretariat, <i>H.E. Wamkele Mene, Secretary General</i> b) Dr. Khutula Sibanda, Director: Directorate of Industrial Development and Trade, representing the SADC Executive Secretary, <i>Dr Stergomena Lawrence Tax</i> c) <i>Mr Phazha Butale, Chief Negotiator, Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry, Government of Botswana</i> d) Southern Africa Customs Union (SACU), <i>Ms Paulina Mbala Elago, Executive Secretary</i> 	
	Deliberations & Recommendations	15:30 – 16:30
	End of Symposium/Plenary adjourns	16:30