



SYMPOSIUM PROGRAMME

ON THE THEME FOR THE 57TH PLENARY ASSEMBLY SESSION

THEME: "HARNESSING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) FOR EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT PARLIAMENTARY PROCESSES IN THE SADC REGION: EXPERIENCES, CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES"

SADC PARLIAMENTARY FORUM

57TH PLENARY ASSEMBLY SESSION

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VICTORIA FALLS
31ST MAY TO 7TH JUNE 2025**

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME
Monday 2 nd June	SYMPOSIUM ON THE THEME FOR THE 57TH PLENARY ASSEMBLY SESSION.	14:00hrs 17:30hrs
	Theme: <i>“Harnessing Artificial Intelligence for Effective and Efficient Parliamentary Processes in the SADC Region: Experiences, Challenges and Opportunities”</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome and greetings by the host Clerk of Parliament: Mr. Kennedy M. Chokuda. 	14:00hrs 14:10hrs
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opening Remarks by the SADC PF President & Speaker of the National Assembly of Madagascar: Rt. Hon. Speaker Justin Tokely. 	14:10hrs 14:20hrs
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Government perspective on Artificial Intelligence: Regulation, Policy, Funding and Infrastructure: Hon. Tatenda Mavetera, Minister of Information Communication Technology, Postal and Courier Services. 	14:20hrs 14:50hrs
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advancing Parliamentary Processes Through Academic Collaboration on Artificial Intelligence - Overview Prof. Eddie Mwenje, Bindura University of Science and Technology (BUSE) 	14:50hrs 15:05hrs
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Panel Discussion Deliberations & Recommendations <i>[15 minutes presentations]</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bindura University of Science Education (BUSE) Midlands State University (MSU) Chinhoyi University of Technology (CUT) Harare Institute of Technology (HIT) University of Zimbabwe (UZ) PLENARY 	15:05hrs 16:40hrs
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Country Presentations <i>(Maximum of 3 minutes per Delegation)</i> 	16:40hrs 17:20hrs
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading of Communiqué: Vice President of the SADC PF, Hon. Sylvia Elizabeth Lucas. 	17:20hrs 17:30hrs
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vote of thanks: SADC PF President & Speaker of the National Assembly of Madagascar, Rt Hon. Speaker Justin Tokely. 	17:30hrs 17:40hrs
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delegates are invited to a Welcome Dinner Hon. Advocate Jacob Francis Nzwidamilimo Mudenda, Speaker of Parliament’s Welcome Dinner in honour of the visiting delegates to the 57th Plenary Assembly Meeting of the SADC PF at the Pool Side, Elephant Hills Resort Hotel. 	18:30hrs 20:30hrs

