



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **MEETING OF SADC MINISTERS OF EMPLOYMENT AND LABOUR AND SOCIAL PARTNERS**

**Who : All News Editors / Syndication Editors**

**What : Notification to Media for news coverage**

**When : Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021, 0900hours – 1300hours**

**Where : Hosted virtually by the Republic of Mozambique**

**Why :** The main objectives of the meeting among others is to: (i) review implementation of COVID-19 measures by Member States so as to stabilise the economy and labour markets; and ensure safe and healthy working conditions, as well as strengthening global and regional solidarity (ii) consider the draft SADC Employment and Labour Policy Framework (2020-2030); and (iii) deliberate on and give guidance on the the roadmap on the development of the new Protocol on Employment and Labour.

The meeting of Senior Officials will precede the Ministerial meeting on **28-29 April 2021** to prepare documents on issues to be deliberated on by the Ministers.

Honourable Ms Margarida Adamugy Talapa, Minister of Labour and Social Security of the Republic of Mozambique will on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021 preside over the meeting in her capacity as the Chairperson of the meeting of SADC Ministers of Employment and Labour and Social Partners, and will be supported by the Acting Executive Secretary of SADC, Dr Thembinkosi Mhlongo.

The draft programme is attached.

Thank you.

## PROGRAMME

### Day 1

Wednesday, 28 April 2021

### Senior Officials' Meeting

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- 09:00 - 09:30      Official opening of Senior Officials Meeting:
- Statement on the occasion of World Day for Safety and Health at Work by the Director, ILO Decent Work Team for East and Southern Africa, Dr. Joni Musabayana
- Official Opening Remarks by the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Social Security of Mozambique, Mr. António Máquina
- 09:30 - 14:00      Meeting in session
- 13:00 - 14:00      **Lunch Break**
- 14:00 - 15:45      Meeting in session

### Day 2

Thursday, 29 April 2021

### Senior Officials' Meeting

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- 09:00 - 14:00 Meeting in session
- 13:00 - 14:00      **Lunch Break**
- 14:00 - 15:00      Meeting in session
- 15:00 - 16:00      Adoption of Senior Officials' record

### Day 3

Friday, 30 April 2021

### Ministers and Social Partners' meeting

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- 08:45-09:00      - Delegates log in on Zoom platform
- 09:00-09:10      - Playing of Anthems (Mozambique, SADC & AU)

- 09:00-09:30
- Remarks by Acting Executive Secretary of SADC, Dr. Thembinkosi Mhlongo
  - Remarks by International Organization for Migration (IOM) Regional Director for Southern Africa, Mr. Charles Kwenin
  - Remarks by the ILO Assistant Director-General and Regional Director for Africa, Ms Cynthia Samuel-Olonjuwon
  - Remarks by SADC Private Sector Forum (SPSF) Deputy Chairperson, Mr. Harrington Chibanda
  - Remarks by Southern Africa Trade Union Coordinating Council (SATUCC) President, Ms. Zingiswa Losi
- 09:30-09:45
- Address by the Minister of Labour and Social Security of Mozambique, Hon. Margarida Adamugy Talapa
- 09:45 - 12:30
- Meeting in session
- 12:30 - 13:00
- Closing ceremony

(Official Opening session is open to the Media on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021)

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