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To: Director Generals and Chief Executives  
CRASA Members

**INVITATION TO THE SECOND MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC REGULATION COMMITTEE (ERC) AND WORKSHOP ON STRENGTHENING REGIONAL BROADBAND DATA SYSTEMS: INDICATORS AND AUTOMATION OF DIGITAL DEVELOPMENT MEASUREMENT IN SADC, TO BE HELD IN VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE FROM 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2026**

The Communications Regulators' Association of Southern Africa (CRASA) renews its compliments to all Members of the Association.

I have the honour of inviting your nominated representative(s) to attend the Second Meeting of the Economic Regulation Committee (ERC) for the 2025/26 Financial Year, to be held in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, from 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026, from 09H00 to 17H00 Central African Time (CAT).

The ERC meeting will be preceded by a two-day capacity-building workshop on *Developing the SADC Digital Development Management System (SADC DDMS): Strengthening Regional Broadband Data Systems through Harmonised Data Collection, Indicators and Automation for Digital Development Measurement in SADC* to be facilitated by Visionary Analytics from Lithuania.

The purpose of the ERC Meeting is to finalise the implementation of the Economic Regulation Operational Plan for 2025/26 and to deliberate on priority economic regulation matters in the evolving digital environment in the SADC Region. Accordingly, the meeting will consider the implementation and finalisation of the following projects:

- (i) Development of the SADC Broadband Pricing Trends Report for 2025/26;
- (ii) Review of the SADC Data Collection Framework and Indicators
- (iii) Finalisation of the SADC Steering Committee Terms of Reference (ToR);
- (iv) Provision of ERC Expert Input to the Project Proposal for the Development of a Comprehensive SADC Satellite Communications Regulatory Framework; and
- (v) Development of the Economic Regulation Committee Operational Plan for 2026/27

The draft agenda for the workshop and the ERC meeting are attached hereto as Annex I and Annex II, respectively, for your reference. The Country Information Note, including a list of recommended hotels, is attached as Annex III.

The CRASA Secretariat has secured technical and institutional support from the European Union (EU) through the ICT Policy Regulation Institutional Strengthening (iPRIS) Programme, implemented under SPIDER, one of CRASA's strategic partners in supporting regulatory reforms in the SADC Region. This support aims to modernise data collection, strengthen regional market research, and enhance regulatory analytics through the development of the proposed SADC Digital Development Management System (SADC DDMS). In this regard, it is strongly recommended that the nominated representative(s) include an expert responsible for ICT broadband and postal data collection within your organisation.

The proposed SADC DDMS will be a CRASA-owned and managed regional platform, developed in support of SADC digital development objectives, which will enable CRASA to coordinate regional data collection, standardisation, and reporting in alignment with its harmonisation mandate.

Nominated participants are kindly requested to register in advance for both the workshop and the ERC meeting via the CRASA Events Management Platform at: <https://events.crasa.org/>

Requests for further information may be addressed to the CRASA Secretariat at [crasa@crasa.org](mailto:crasa@crasa.org), copying Mr. Shukya Kiroga, Head of Electronic Communications, at [skiroga@crasa.org](mailto:skiroga@crasa.org).

CRASA looks forward to your active participation and valuable contribution and avails itself of this opportunity to express its appreciation for your continued support in the implementation of the CRASA Strategic Plan 2023/28.

Please accept the assurances of our highest consideration.



Brian Kasonka Mwansa  
**Acting Executive Secretary**

*Attachments:*

- *Annex I – Concept Note and Draft Agenda: Capacity-Building Workshop on the SADC Digital Development Management System (SADC DDMS)*
- *Annex II – Draft Agenda: Second Meeting of the Economic Regulation Committee (ERC) 2025/26*
- *Annex III – Country Information Note - Zimbabwe (Venue, Accommodation and Logistics)*