



Meeting Name: *1st Meeting of the CRASA Legal and Policy Committee (LPC)*
Venue: Johannesburg, South Africa (Hosted by ICASA)
Meeting Dates: 10th to 12th August 2026
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DRAFT AGENDA

Monday, 10th August 2026			
	TIME	SESSION	LEAD PERSON
1	09:00 – 09:05	Calling Meeting to Order	Chairperson
1.1	09:05 – 09:10	Listing of Members and Confirmation of Quorum	Secretariat
2	09:10 – 09:25	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Chairperson / ICASA / Secretariat
3	09:25 – 09:30	Adoption of Agenda and Working Hours	Secretariat
4	09:30 – 09:35	Declaration of Conflict of Interest	All Participants
4.1	09:35 – 09:45	Review and Approval of Minutes of the Previous LPC Meeting	- Secretariat - Chairperson - All Members
4.2	09:45 – 10:15	Consideration of Matters Arising	- Secretariat - Chairperson - All Members
5	10:15 – 10:45	Briefing on the 15 th AGM and Executive Committee Resolutions Relevant to the Legal and Policy Committee	Secretariat
6	10:45 – 11:15	Briefing on the Outcomes of the SADC ICT Ministers Meeting (Bulawayo, June 2026) – Decisions Relevant to the LPC Mandate and Work Programme	Secretariat
	11:15 – 11:45	Tea/Coffee Break	
7	11:45 – 12:30	Overview of the LPC Workplan 2026/27 and Strategic Priorities	Secretariat
8	12:30 – 13:00	Regional Workshop on Legal and Regulatory Issues Relating to Artificial Intelligence – Concept Paper, Terms of Reference and Identification of Expert Facilitator(s)	- Secretariat - Chairperson - All Members
	13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break	
9	14:00 – 15:30	Development of the CRASA Regional Artificial Intelligence Governance Approach in Response to	- Secretariat - Chairperson - All Members

		the Outcomes of the 2026 SADC Ministerial Round Table Dialogue: a) Development of SADC AI Governance Principles; b) Scope, methodology and implementation approach for the development of a Regional AI Policy and Regulatory Framework; and c) Development of Draft Terms of Reference for the proposed SADC AI Working Group.	
10	15:00 – 15:30	Determination of CRASA's Legal and Policy Role in the Operationalisation of the SADC Regional Data Governance and Protection Task Force: a) Implications of the Ministerial decision on the LPC Work Plan 2026/27; and b) Scope of CRASA's proposed legal, policy and regulatory advisory role within the Task Force	- Secretariat - Chairperson - All Members
	15:30 – 16:00	Tea/Coffee Break	
11	16:00 – 17:00	Consideration of Ministerial Decision on Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) and CRASA's proposed legal and regulatory contribution to the regional DPI programme: a) Development of Regional Regulatory Readiness Assessment Report on DPI; b) Identification of legal and regulatory issues affecting DPI implementation in SADC; c) CRASA contribution to development of Model Policy and Regulatory Frameworks on DPI.	- Secretariat - Chairperson - All Members
	17:00	Adjournment	Chairperson

Tuesday, 11th August 2026

	TIME	SESSION	LEAD PERSON
12	09:00 – 10:00	Development of a Research Proposal for the Position Paper on the Enforceability and Domestication of CRASA Model Regulatory Instruments: a) Background, rationale and objectives of proposed research; b) Scope of Regulatory Instruments to be covered by the study; c) Proposed research questions and analytical framework; d) Proposed research methodology, e) Proposed structure and expected outputs of the Position Paper; and	- Secretariat - Chairperson - All Members

		f) Proposed implementation schedule and milestones for completion of the research.	
13	10:00 – 11:00	Consideration of the Draft CRASA Policy Review Register: Committee to consider and provide guidance on: a) Proposed scope of the Policy Review Register; b) Categories of CRASA policy and regulatory instruments to be included; c) Proposed information fields, review cycles and reporting arrangements; d) Roles and responsibilities of the Secretariat and Standing Committees in maintaining and updating the Register; e) Mechanisms for monitoring compliance with policy review obligations; and f) Recommendations for refinement of the Register prior to its formal adoption and implementation.	- Secretariat - Chairperson - All Members
	11:00 – 11:30	Tea/Coffee Break	
14	11:30 – 12:00	Formation of Working Groups and Allocation of Responsibilities: a) Working Group 1: Development of the CRASA Regional Artificial Intelligence Governance Approach b) Working Group 2: Development of CRASA's Legal and Regulatory Contribution to the SADC Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) Programme c) Working Group 3: Development of the Research Proposal for the Position Paper on the Enforceability and Domestication of CRASA Model Regulatory Instruments d) Working Group 4: Development of the Draft CRASA Policy Review Register	- Secretariat - Chairperson - All Members
15	12:00 – 13:00	Working Group Breakaway Session (1)	Working Groups
	13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break	
16	14:00 – 15:30	Working Group Breakaway Session (2)	Working Groups
	15:30 – 16:00	Tea/Coffee Break	
17	16:00 – 17:00	Working Group Breakaway Session (3)	Working Groups
	17:00	Adjournment	Chairperson

Wednesday, 12th August 2026			
	TIME	SESSION	LEAD PERSON
18	09:00 – 09:05	Remarks to Working Groups	Chairperson / Rapporteur
	09:05 – 11:00	Final Working Group Breakaway Session	Working Groups
	11:00 – 11:30	Tea/Coffee Break	
19	11:30 – 13:00	Plenary Session (1) to Consider, Validate and Adopt Working Group Outputs	All Members
	13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break	
20	14:00 – 15:30	Plenary Session (2) to Consider, Validate and Adopt Working Group Outputs	All Members
	15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break	
21	16:00 – 17:00	Closing Business: - Any Other Business (A.O.B.) - Report to the Executive Committee - Date and Venue of the Second LPC Meeting - Vote of Thanks - Closing Remarks	- Secretariat - Vice-Chairperson - Chairperson
	17:00	Close of Meeting	Chairperson