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To: Director Generals and Chief Executives

CRASA Members

Dear Sir/Madam,

INVITATION TO THE 1ST ORDINARY MEETING OF THE CRASA LEGAL AND POLICY COMMITTEE (LPC), IN JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA, 10TH TO 12TH AUGUST 2026

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

In accordance with the communicated schedule of the First Ordinary Meetings of CRASA Standing Committees for the 2026/27 financial year, as previously communicated in Circular Ref. CRASA/CIRCULAR/008/202627 dated 10th June 2026, I have the honour of inviting you or your representative(s) to participate in the First Ordinary Meeting of the CRASA Legal and Policy Committee (LPC) for the 2026/27 financial year. The meeting will be hosted by the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA), from 10th to 12th August 2026.

The purpose of this first ordinary meeting of the Committee for the 2026/27 financial year is to advance implementation of the LPC Workplan 2026/27, in light of the outcomes of the 2026 SADC Ministerial Round Table Dialogue and the relevant Decisions of the SADC ICT Ministers Meeting (Bulawayo, June 2026). Specifically, the Committee will consider progress on, and agree implementation modalities for, the following priority activities:

- a) Regional Workshop on Legal and Regulatory Issues Relating to Artificial Intelligence (AI);
- b) Development of the CRASA Regional Artificial Intelligence Governance Approach, in response to the outcomes of the 2026 SADC Ministerial Round Table Dialogue;
- c) Determination of CRASA's legal and policy role in the operationalisation of the SADC Regional Data Governance and Protection Task Force;

- d) Consideration of the Ministerial Decision on Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) and CRASA's proposed legal and regulatory contribution to the regional DPI programme;
- e) Development of a Research Proposal for the Position Paper on the Enforceability and Domestication of CRASA Model Regulatory Instruments; and
- f) Consideration of the Draft CRASA Policy Review Register.

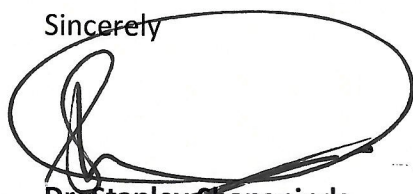
The draft agenda of the meeting is attached for ease of reference. All participants are strongly encouraged to register in advance through the CRASA Events Management Platform. The registration link will be shared together with the Country Information Note containing venue details and a list of recommended accommodation facilities.

All requests for further information should be addressed to the CRASA Secretariat at crasa@crasa.org.

We look forward to your active participation and valuable contribution to the continued implementation of the CRASA Strategic Plan 2023–2028.

Kindly accept the assurances of our highest consideration.

Sincerely



Dr. Stanley Shanapinda
Executive Secretary

Attachments:

Draft Agenda of the 1st Meeting of the CRASA Legal and Policy Committee (LPC)