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To: Director Generals and Chief Executives
CRASA Members

Dear Sir/Madam,

SUBJECT: INVITATION TO THE FIRST VIRTUAL MEETING (31 AUGUST – 1 SEPTEMBER 2026) AND SECOND IN-PERSON MEETING OF THE CRASA ECONOMIC REGULATION COMMITTEE (ERC), GABORONE, BOTSWANA (19–23 OCTOBER 2026), FOR THE 2026/27 FINANCIAL YEAR

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

I have the honour to invite you, or your representative(s), to participate in the First Ordinary Meeting of the CRASA Economic Regulation Committee (ERC) for the 2026/27 financial year, which will be convened virtually from 31st August to 1st September 2026, from 09:00 to 17:00 Central African Time (CAT).

The purpose of the virtual meeting is to consider the Committee's Operational Plan for the 2026/27 financial year, agree on implementation arrangements, and initiate implementation of priority activities under the Committee's work programme. The meeting will also provide Members with an opportunity to consider emerging matters within the Committee's mandate and provide strategic guidance on activities to be undertaken during the financial year.

The meeting may be accessed through the following registration link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/QNao5SaFSXqUqRihvji-NQ

The draft agenda for the First Meeting is attached for your consideration.

Members are also kindly requested to note that the Second Meeting of the CRASA Economic Regulation Committee (ERC) will be convened in Gaborone, Botswana, from 19th October to Friday, 23rd October 2026.

The Second Meeting of the CRASA Economic Regulation Committee (ERC) will include a three-day CRASA–Smart Africa International Conference on Regional and Continental Roaming through the One Africa Network (OAN) Initiative, which will provide a platform for knowledge exchange, sharing of best practices, and engagement on policy, regulatory, technical, and operational considerations related to advancing roaming connectivity across Africa.

The conference will bring together continental experts, policymakers, regulators, international roaming specialists, industry leaders, and development partners to exchange knowledge, share experiences and best practices, and explore practical approaches to advancing regional and continental roaming, digital connectivity, and the implementation of the One Africa Network (OAN) Initiative, in support of Africa's broader digital integration agenda, including the vision of a Single African Digital Market and the objectives of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA).

The discussions will further provide an opportunity to exchange perspectives on roaming agreements, policy, legal and regulatory frameworks, technical and operational arrangements, proposed One Africa Network pricing models, and mechanisms for advancing the Single African Digital Market.

The Second ERC Meeting will build on the outcomes of the conference and provide the Committee with an opportunity to deliberate on substantive agenda items, review progress in the implementation of its Operational Plan, and consider recommendations arising from the conference discussions.

The draft agendas for both the Second ERC Meeting and the International Conference, together with the registration link, Country Information Note, venue details, and accommodation information, will be circulated in due course.

All requests for further information should be addressed to the undersigned at crasa@crasa.org, copying Mr Shukya Kiroga, CRASA Head of Electronic Communications, at skiroga@crasa.org.

CRASA appreciates the continued support and active participation of its Members and looks forward to their valuable contribution towards the successful implementation of the CRASA Strategic Plan 2023–2028.

Please accept the assurances of our highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,



Dr Stanley Shanapinda
Executive Secretary

Attachments:
Draft Agenda for the 1st Ordinary Meeting of the Economic Regulation Committee (ERC) Meeting