



3RD ANNUAL SADC INDUSTRIALISATION WEEK

PROMOTING INFRASTRUCTURE AND YOUTH EMPOWERMENT FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

INVITATION

Dear Delegate/Stakeholder,

The SADC Secretariat, the Republic of Namibia's Ministry of Industrialisation, Trade and SME Development, and the Southern Africa Business Forum (SABF) would like to invite you to the 3rd Annual SADC Industrialisation Week (SIW) which will be hosted from **Monday, 30 July 2018 to Wednesday, 1 August 2018** at the Safari Court Hotel and Conference Centre in Windhoek, Namibia.

The SIW is an annual public-private engagement platform aimed at fostering new opportunities for intra-African trade and investment in developing cross border value chains in the region. In alignment with the SADC Industrialisation Strategy and Action Plan, this year's event is themed '**Promoting Infrastructure and Youth Empowerment for Sustainable Development**'. SIW 2018 will be hosted as a precursor to the SADC Heads of States and Government Summit and its outputs will be reported to the annual SADC Ministers Meeting.

We invite you to register your attendance by clicking the link below and join us for this SADC highlight event. SIW 2018 will feature keynote addresses from high profile speakers on a wide range of themes and topics related to the industrialisation opportunities in SADC; panel discussions with industry experts and project owners; break-away sessions on energy (gas), agriprocessing, mining and pharmaceutical sectors; exhibitions; factory site visits; training seminars for SMEs as well as networking opportunities.

On the margins of SIW 2018, the government of Namibia will be hosting a 3-day exhibition to showcase African products and provide opportunities for cross border collaboration and trading. Should you be interested in participating as an exhibitor, please contact Muzire Murangi on email: murangi@mti.gov.na or tel: +264 81 278 7847 for more information.

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