U.S.-SADC Exchange on Good Regulatory Practices with SADCSTAN and SADCTRLC

June 1-2, 2015

Garden Court Hotel at O.R. Tambo International Airport, Johannesburg, South Africa
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Day 1: Positive Effects of Good Regulatory Practice on Trade and Competition

09:10 a.m.  Keynote Opening Address

09:30 – 11:30am  Session 1: Overview of U.S. and SADC regulatory and standards systems

“Overview of SADC regulatory systems”
- A representative of SADCTRLC is asked to provide a 20 minute presentation that includes an overview of the structure and operation of SADCTRLC, and key trends/examples of national level SADC member regulatory systems

“Overview of the U.S. regulatory system”
- Shagufta Ahmed, OMB-OIRA

“Overview of SADC standards systems”
- A representative of SADCSTAN is asked to provide a 20 minute presentation that includes an overview of the SADCSTAN structure, strategy and activities, as well as key trends/examples of national level SADC member standards systems

“Overview of U.S. standards system and its support of the regulatory system”
- Madeleine McDougall, ANSI

- Q&A

11:30 – 11:45 a.m.  Coffee Break

11:45 – 12:15 a.m.  Session 2: Examination of Principles of Good Regulatory Practices
- Kent Shigetomi, USTR
- Q&A
12:15 – 01:15 p.m.  **Session 3: Regulatory Impact Assessment (RIA)**

“Principles of RIA and the U.S. Experience”
- Shagufta Ahmed, OMB-OIRA

“Regulatory Impact Assessment in the SADC region”
- Interactive session: Representatives from South Africa and Zambia are asked to lead a 20 minute presentation and discussion on different approaches to RIA in the region
- Q&A

1:15 – 02:45 p.m.  **Lunch**

02:45 – 03:45 p.m.  **Session 4: Scientific and Evidence Based Rulemaking**

- Len Morrissey, ASTM International
- Dan Roley, Caterpillar
- Q&A

03:45 – 04:15 p.m.  **Coffee Break**

4:15 – 06:15 p.m.  **Session 5: Public Consultation and Related Tools**

“Practices and Challenges in SADC”
- Interactive session: Representatives from SADCSTAN and SADCTRLC are asked to lead a 30 minute presentation and discussion addressing common practices and challenges with respect to public consultation in the standards development and regulatory processes, including examples/trends at both the regional and national level

“U.S. government perspective on public consultation in the regulatory context”
- Shagufta Ahmed, OMB-OIRA

“Private sector perspective on public consultation in the regulatory context”
- Christine LoCascio, DISCUS

“Public consultation in the standards development process”
- Len Morrissey, ASTM International
- Q&A

06:15 – 06:30 p.m.  **Day One Wrap Up**
Day 2: Contributions of GRP in the Elaboration of Technical Regulations, Standards and Conformity Assessment Procedures

09:00 – 10:30 a.m. Session 1: Use of Good Regulatory Practices in the Elaboration of Technical Regulations and Standards
“The State-of-play in SADC”
- A representative from SADCSTAN, SADCTRLC and/or SADC Secretariat is asked to provide a 20 minute presentation that discusses key examples/trends for the use of standards in regulations at the national level, as well as the relationship between regional standards and regional regulations and the prospect for future cooperation between SADCSTAN and SADCTRLC

“ASTM Perspective on Standards in Regulation”
- Len Morrissey, ASTM International

“Caterpillar Perspective on Standards and Conformity Assessment in Regulations”
- Dan Roley, Caterpillar
- Q&A

10:30 – 10:45 am Coffee

Discussion of Positive Examples and Best Practices for Regulatory Cooperation and other International Experiences

10:45 – 12:00 p.m. Session 1: Defining the Elements to Achieve Effective Regulatory Cooperation
“Inventory of regulatory cooperation”
- Kent Shigetomi, USTR
“Process for regulatory cooperation”
- Dan Roley, Caterpillar
- Q&A

12:00 – 01:30 p.m. Lunch

1:30 – 3:00 p.m. Panel: Case Studies/Best Examples of Effective Regulatory Cooperation in other countries, regions or fora.
- Dan Roley, Caterpillar
Len Morrisey, ASTM International
- Christine LoCascio, DISCUS

03:00 – 4:00 p.m.  Moderated discussion of key takeaways/next steps
- Madeleine McDougall, ANSI
- George Makore, SATH

4:00pm  Close of workshop