



GLOBAL MSME SURGE PROJECT

Phase 2

Expert Group Meeting

ECA Sub-Regional Office for Southern Africa

Tuesday 13 July, 2021

0900 -1700 CAT

AGENDA

TIME (CAT)	ACTIVITY	SPEAKERS
Session 1	Opportunities for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) within the Green and Blue Economy: The case of the Southern African Development Community.	
09:00 – 09:15	➤ Introductory remarks	➤ Ms. Rethabile Maluke , Chair, Bureau SRO-SA ➤ Ms. Isatou Gaye , OiC and Chief, Sub-Regional Initiatives unit, SRO-SA
09:15 – 09:45	➤ Presentation of the study	➤ Ms. Kate Rivett-Carnac , Consultant, SRO-SA
09:45 – 11:45	➤ Discussions	
11:45-12:00	➤ Summary of main issues arising, recommendations and way forward	➤ Ms. Kate Rivett-Carnac , Consultant, SRO-SA
12:00-12:15	➤ Closing of first session	➤ Ms. Rethabile Maluke , Chair, Bureau SRO-SA

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Session 2	Role of Digitalization in Strengthening Capacities MSMEs in Southern Africa to Take Advantage of the AfCFTA	
12:15-14:00	➤ LUNCH BREAK	
14:00 – 14:30	➤ Presentation of the study	➤ Mr. Fola Odufuwa , Consultant, SRO-SA
14:30 – 16:30	➤ Discussions	
16:30-16:45	➤ Summary of main issues, recommendations and way forward	➤ Mr. Fola Odufuwa , Consultant, SRO-SA
16:45-17:00	➤ Closing of second session	➤ Ms. Rethabile Maluke , Chair, Bureau SRO-SA