

SHARING ZAMBIA'S RECENT APPROACH TO INVESTMENT FACILITATION

A half-day seminar

following the NEPAD-OECD Africa Investment Initiative Lusaka Roundtable

Hosted by the Government of the Republic of Zambia and organised by the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) in partnership with the NEPAD-OECD Africa Investment Initiative

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Mulungushi International Conference Centre
Lusaka, Zambia

PROGRAMME

Under the auspices of His Excellency President Mwanawasa, the Government of Zambia is working to create a more favourable investment environment by providing efficient public services and cost effective investment promotion policies. It is part of a wider development strategy to foster sustainable economic growth.

This half-day seminar following the NEPAD-OECD Africa Investment Initiative Lusaka Roundtable aims to overview Zambia's recent approach to investment facilitation and how the lessons learnt from good practices in Asia have been incorporated into Zambia's road map for strengthening investment facilitation in support of economic development. Participants will learn about the key success factors, the results achieved to date in terms of attracting foreign investment and the specific nature of business linkages between Zambia and its Asian partners.

08:30 – 09:00	Registration of participants
09:00 – 09:20	Introductory remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Likolo Ndalamei, Deputy Secretary to Cabinet, Finance and Economic Management, Republic of Zambia • His Excellency Mr Hideto Mitamura, Ambassador to Zambia, Japan
09:20 – 11:40	Chair: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Chungu Mwila, Director, Investment and Private Sector Promotion, COMESA
09:20 – 09:50	Presentation: <i>Strategic action initiative for investment promotion and economic development in Zambia: making the most of Asia's experience</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Honourable Felix Mutati, Minister for Commerce, Trade and Industry, Republic of Zambia
09:50 – 11:10	Panel discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Siazongo Siakalenge, Director, Department of Industry, Ministry of Commerce, Trade and Industry, Republic of Zambia • Mr. Glyne Michelo, Acting Executive Director, Zambia Development Agency (ZDA), Republic of Zambia • Mr. Seedat (Group Chairman, Melcome Group of Companies) (Zambian mobile phone manufacturing and ICT college business partner with Malaysian investor) • Dr. Kenichi OHNO, Professor, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (Japan)
11:10 – 11:40	Open discussion
11:40 – 12:00	Closing remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Situmbeko Musokotwane, Special Assistant to the President for Economic Affairs, State House
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch