

SADC TIS Workshop

Draft Conclusions

Main Issues

- SADC Secretariat and Member States have identified need for statistics on “trade in services” to support trade policy and negotiations
- Priority sectors* (link between data and trade negotiations)
- Need for more detailed statistics
- Need information by partner and mode of supply
- Use frameworks BPM6 and FATS (+partners)
- Practical problems of collecting statistics
- Legal frameworks and institutional arrangements (national and regional):
- SADC template for collection and compilation of statistics*
- Capacity building (national and regional)
- Data reporting, frequency and revisions management
- SADC dissemination

SADC Priority sectors

- Tourism
- Transport
- Construction
- Energy-related services
- Financial services
- Communications
- Business services (SADC-EU EPA negotiations)

Existing data sources

- unused?
- Investigate
- Recognise the efforts of BOP compilers to produce good statistics
- BPM6 implementation
- Tourism statistics

Proposed BPM6 Items for reporting

- 12 main EBOPS items reported to IMF and UN
- Second level break-out for some priority sectors
- Partners: SADC priority = SADC, EU, ROW
- Partners Desirable: COMESA, EAC, Africa, China, India, USA
- Which sectors for partners, Travel, Total services, Transport, Business services ..?
- Coordination with other regional and international organizations – avoid duplication

FATS?

- View of Mode 3
- FDI inward and outward (BPM6)
- Inward FATS priority – business/FDI register data
- Outward FATS
- By broad industrial sector – particularly services, mining, energy
- Variable – Turnover, Employment....
- By partner (country of Ultimate Owner, Location of outward affiliates)

BPM 6 Main Items	2 nd level*	3 rd level
Manufacturing services		
Maintenance and repair services		
Transportation* (by mode)	Sea	
	Air	
	Other	Of which road, energy
	Postal and courier	
Travel*	Business	
	Personal	
Construction*	Abroad	
	Reporting economy	
Insurance and pension services		
Financial services		
Charges for use of IP		
Telecoms, computer and info services*	Telecoms	
	Computer serv	
	Information services	
Other business services*	R&D serv	
	Professional and management	
	Technical and other	
Personal, cultural etc		
Government		

Way Forward

- Develop a common approach to the collection and compilation of statistics on trade in services in the SADC region (template)
- Coordination both at the national and regional levels of key stakeholders eg national statistical authorities and central/reserve banks
- Include other stakeholders such as ministries of trade, tourism, industry, energy etc and regulatory authorities such as telecommunication, insurance etc
- Seek mandate from relevant SADC structures/bodies on the common approach and its implementation
- Capacity building (national and regional)
- Energy related services – need for statistical classification
- Mode 4?