



## **ZAMBIA-EU ECONOMIC FORUM**

**LUSAKA, 18 – 19 May 2022**

### ***Draft Programme***

#### **Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

<b>7h00 – 8h00</b>	<b>Arrival of Participants and Registration</b>
<b>8h00 – 10h00</b>	<b>Opening Ceremony</b>
8h00 – 8h05	Welcome by Master of Ceremonies (tbd)
8h05 – 8h15	Zambia National Anthem and EU Hymn
8h15 – 8h25	Opening Remarks - Ms Chalwe Chuulu, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Commerce, Trade and Industry
8h25 – 8h40	Remarks by Mr Albert Muchanga, African Union Commissioner for Economic Development, Trade, Industry and Mining
8h40 – 8h55	Remarks by Mrs Jutta Urpilainen (tbc), EU Commissioner for International Partnerships
8h55 – 9h10	Remarks by Hon. Chipoka Mulenga, Minister of Commerce, Trade and Industry
9h10 – 9h25	Keynote Address by Mr. Hakainde Hichilema, President of the Republic of Zambia
9h30 - 10h00	Photo Session
<b>10h00 – 10h30</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>10h30 – 12h30</b>	<b>Plenary Session “Doing Business in Zambia”</b> Panellists will address questions such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why is Zambia an interesting location for business? What are the comparative advantages and what new measures does the Government put in place to attract investment?</li> <li>• What is the general regulatory framework for doing business in Zambia? (Risk, anti-corruption, labour laws, immigration etc.)</li> <li>• What are the opportunities and challenges in finding qualified staff?</li> <li>• What is the status of regional integration? What are the opportunities to export from Zambia to the region?</li> <li>• What are the opportunities, challenges and forecast of the development of the infrastructure?</li> </ul>

- What are the lessons learned and previous experiences from established companies?
- **Presentation of the market study on business partnership opportunities in Zambia, sponsored by the Italian Trade Agency. The study makes specific reference to renewable energy, water and soil treatment, anti-pollution systems and recycling.**

***Suggested Panellists (t.b.c.)***

- Dr. Chabuka Jerome Kawesha, President of ZACCI
- Albert Halwampa, ADG Zambia Development Agency
- Mr Mark Lüring, President of the EUZBC
- N.N., Presenter of the market research on partnership opportunities in Zambia
- Mrs Chileshe Kapwepwe, Secretary General of COMESA
- Zambia Federation of Associations of Women in Business (ZFAWIB)

**12h30 – 14h30                      Lunch Break**

**14h30 – 18h00                      B2B contacts**

Matchmaking between European and Zambia companies, in accordance with sector of activity and mutual interest (agriculture, food-processing, manufacturing, mining, machinery, renewable energy, water and soil treatment, anti-pollution systems and recycling services, etc.). Details t.b.d.

**19h30 – 21h30                      Dinner**

**Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

**8h00 – 12h00                      B2B contacts (continued)**

**12h00 – 12h30                      Closing Session**

12h00 – 12h10                      Closing remarks by H.E. Jacek Jankowski, EU Ambassador

12h10 – 12h20                      Closing remarks by Mrs Chalwe Chuulu, Permanent Secretary,  
Ministry of Commerce, Trade and Industry

12h20 – 12h30                      Zambia National Anthem and EU Hymn

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