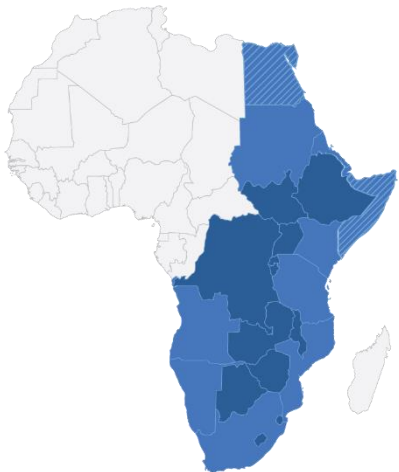




# TRIPARTITE TRANSPORT AND TRANSIT FACILITATION PROGRAMME (TTTFP): PROGRESS AND CURRENT STATUS



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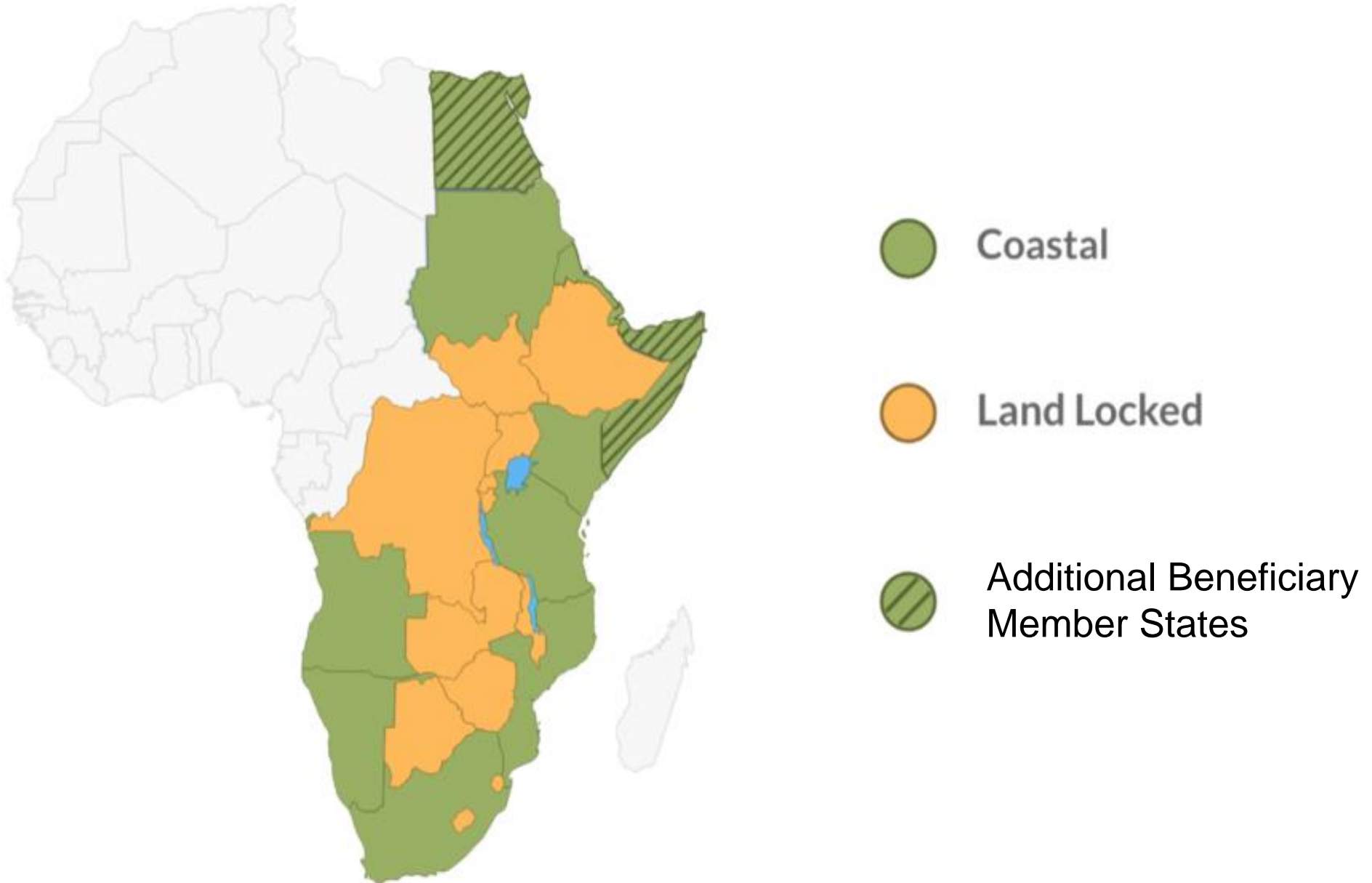
27 November 2019

Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe



# Tripartite Transport & Transit Facilitation Programme

## Beneficiary Member States



# **TTTFP POLICY GOAL**

Harmonisation in respect of inter-state road transport policies, laws, regulations, standards and systems for efficient cross border road transport and transit networks, transport and logistics services, systems and procedures in the East and Southern Africa region [COMESA, EAC and SADC]

# TTTFP STRATEGY

Facilitate the development of a more competitive, integrated and liberalised regional road transport market in the East and Southern African region, based on the principle of variable geometry in the region

# TTTFP PRINCIPLES, APPROACH & METHODOLOGY

1. **Inter-REC collaboration** and collective leadership
2. Bilateral to **multilateral** regulation of cross border transport
3. Quantity to **quality** regulation of cross-border road transport – **compulsory standards**
4. **ICT** based and driven **systems**
5. **Corridors** as implementation frameworks
6. **Variable Geometry**

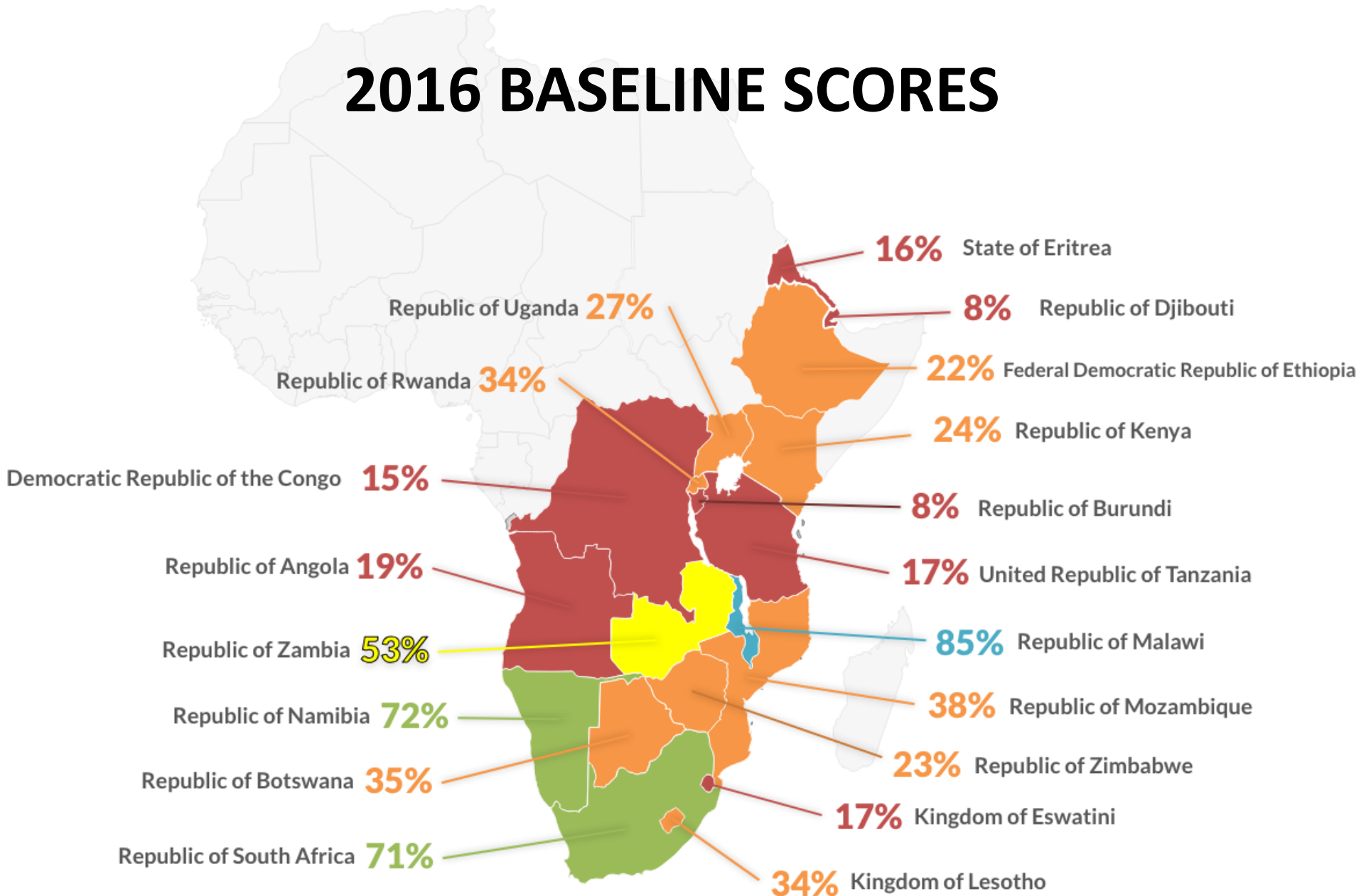
# TRIPARTITE (COMESA, EAC AND SADC) TRANSPORT AND TRANSIT FACILITATION PROGRAM

**The expected Key Results are:**

- Result 1:** Tripartite Vehicle Load Management Strategy Implemented;
- Result 2:** Harmonised Tripartite vehicle & driver regulations & standards implemented;
- Result 3:** Tripartite transport registers and information platform system (TRIPS) implemented;
- Result 4:** Efficiency of regional transport corridors improved.

# TTTFP APPROACH: VARIABLE GEOMETRY

## 2016 BASELINE SCORES



# Institutional Framework

- TTTFP is underpinned by signature of 2 multilateral agreements
  - Vehicle Load Management Agreement (VLMA)
  - Multilateral Cross-Border Road Transport Agreement (MCBRTA)
- **Agreements have been adopted by Tripartite Ministers for Infrastructure on 31 October 2019**
- Constitutional obligations of Member States following signature of International Agreements
  - Ratification
  - Domestication



# Project Fundamentals

- Implementation of Multilateral Agreements requires **domestication of range of enabling legislation**
  - Vehicle Load Management Model Law
  - Road Traffic (Vehicle & Driver Quality) Model Law
  - Cross Border Road Transport Model Law (including Liberalisation & Operator Responsibilities)
  - Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road Model Law
  - Road Traffic & Transport Transgressions Model Law (including Decriminalization & Adjudication in accordance with Administrative Law)
  - **Model Laws/ Principles have been adopted by Tripartite Ministers for Infrastructure on 31 October 2019**

# Project Fundamentals

- Multilateral Agreements introduce quality regulation of cross border road transport & **require domestication of range of *compulsory* harmonised standards**
  - **Vehicle** Safety, Dimensions & Equipment
  - **Load Control & Weighbridges** – Calibration & Accreditation of **Weigh Stations**
  - Transport of **Dangerous Goods by Road**
  - **Vehicle Fitness** Certification – Vehicle Testing & Evaluation/Grading of Test Stations
  - **Driver Licensing** – Driver Training & Evaluation/Grading of Training Institutions & Testing Centres
  - **Operator Authorisation** – Assessment of Quality of Operations

# TTTFP MULTILATERAL AGREEMENTS

(To be signed by the 23 (25) member states)



## TRIPARTITE AGREEMENTS

VEHICLE LOAD MANAGEMENT  
AGREEMENT  
(VLMA)

MULTILATERAL CROSS BORDER  
ROAD TRANSPORT AGREEMENT  
(MCBRTA)

# TTTFP LAWS & REGULATIONS

(to be domesticated by the 23 (25) member states)

## VEHICLE LOAD MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (VLMA)

### MODEL LAWS

- VEHICLE LOAD MANAGEMENT

### REGULATIONS

- VEHICLE LOAD MANAGEMENT

## MULTILATERAL CROSS BORDER ROAD TRANSPORT AGREEMENT (MCBRTA)

### MODEL LAWS

- CROSS-BORDER ROAD TRANSPORT
- ROAD TRAFFIC (DRIVER & VEHICLE QUALITY)
- TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS BY ROAD
- ROAD TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT TRANSGRESSIONS

### REGULATIONS

- CROSS-BORDER ROAD TRANSPORT
- ROAD TRAFFIC (DRIVER & VEHICLE QUALITY)
- TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS BY ROAD
- ROAD TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT TRANSGRESSIONS

# TTTFP OPERATING STANDARDS

(to be domesticated and enforced in the 23 (25) member states)

## VEHICLE LOAD MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (VLMA)

### STANDARDS

- LOADS ON VEHICLES
- TRANSPORTATION OF ABNORMAL LOADS
- CROSS BORDER ROAD TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (XB-RTMS)
- TYPE APPROVAL OF WEIGH STATIONS
- CALIBRATION OF STATIC SCALES
- CALIBRATION OF WEIGH-IN-MOTION SCALES

## MULTILATERAL CROSS BORDER ROAD TRANSPORT AGREEMENT (MCBRTA)

### STANDARDS

- EQUIPMENT ON VEHICLES
- VEHICLE DIMENSIONS
- TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS
- TESTING OF VEHICLES FOR ROADWORTHINESS
- EVALUATION OF VEHICLE TEST STATIONS
- DRIVING LICENCE CARD
- PROFESSIONAL DRIVING PERMIT
- TESTING OF DRIVERS & PROFESSIONAL DRIVERS
- EVALUATION OF DRIVER TESTING CENTRES

# TTTFP SYSTEMS

## VEHICLE LOAD MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (VLMA)

### SYSTEMS

- VEHICLE LOAD MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM
- ENABLING EQUIPMENT AS DEFINED IN THE TRIPARTITE VEHICLE LOAD MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

## MULTILATERAL CROSS BORDER ROAD TRANSPORT AGREEMENT (MCBRTA)

### SYSTEMS

- VEHICLE SYSTEM
- DRIVER SYSTEM
- OPERATOR REGISTRATION SYSTEM
- INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEM
- ABNORMAL LOAD PERMIT SYSTEM
- TRANSGRESSION SYSTEM
- TRANSPORT REGISTERS & INFORMATION PLATFORM SYSTEM (TRIPS)



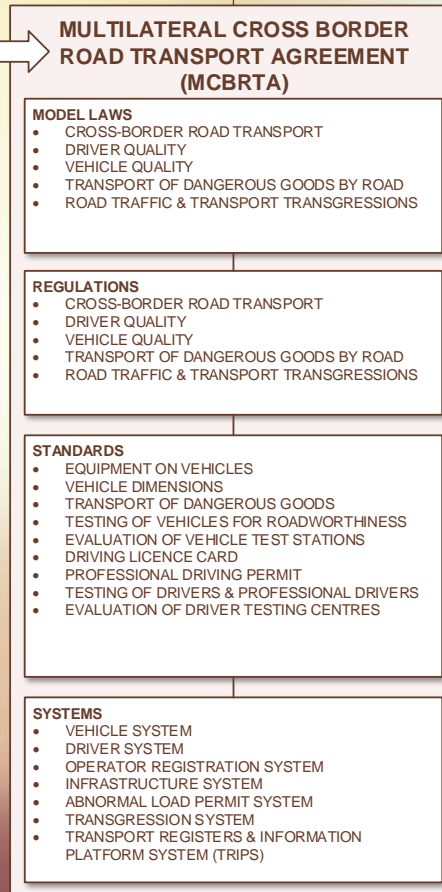
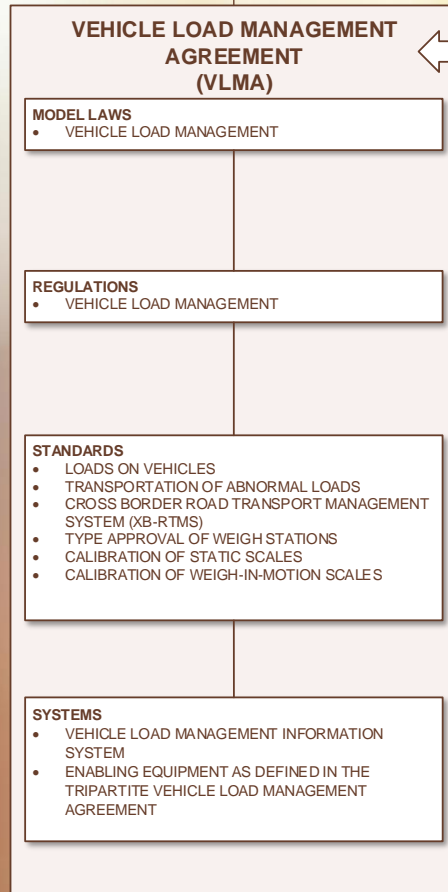
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EAC



SADC



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# **Decisions of the 2<sup>nd</sup> TSMCI Meeting**

## **28-31 October 2019, Lusaka Zambia**

1. Tripartite Ministers approved the VLMA & MCBRTA
2. Tripartite Ministers approved the 5 Model Laws
3. Opposition to abolishment of 3<sup>rd</sup> Country Rule not supported by all Tripartite Member/Partner States - a study on transport operating environment in Zambia to be performed in support of Derogation Application
4. MCBRTA should allow quality regulation for passenger transport within a market access regulated environment – TA to draft Exemption Application
5. Urged Member States to participate in TTTFP by allocating resources and appointing FPs & Alternates
6. Urged MS expedite Corridor Agreements & apply transit instruments.



# The Road Travelled

1. TTTFP Design – 2008-2016
2. Baseline Survey Validation – Nov 2016
3. TTTFP Launched – Oct 2017
4. Sensitization Workshops – Q3 2017 to Q2 2018
5. Technical Assistance Requests identified
6. Drafting Agreements and Model Laws – Oct 2017 - ongoing
7. 1<sup>st</sup> Validation of Draft Agreements and Model Laws – Nairobi, May 2018
8. 2<sup>nd</sup> Validation of Draft Agreements, Model Laws and Regulations – Addis Ababa Nov 2018

# The Road Travelled

9. Drafting Standards – Nov 2017 - ongoing
10. Legal scrubbing of Agreements by REC Legal Counsels – 8-11 Jan 2019
11. Legal Scrubbing of Model Laws by REC Legal Counsels – 15-17 April 2019
12. Validation of Harmonised System Specifications – 6-8 Aug 2019 Kigali, Rwanda
13. First 12 Standards approved in conjunction with African Standards Organisation (ARSO) – 12-16 Aug 2019 Mauritius
14. Publish invitation for hosting TRIPS – Sep 2019, offers received from 5 Member/Partner States

# The Road Ahead – 2019 to 2021

1. Signing & Ratification of Agreements & Domestication of Model Laws – November 2019 to Mar 2021 by Tripartite Ministers on Legal Affairs, Council of Ministers & Summit
2. Implement TA Requests – ongoing
3. Adoption of Draft Standards by SADCSTAN/ARSO, COMESA & EAC – ongoing
4. Develop qualifications framework, training curricula, training material & Procedures Tool-Kit – January 2020 to March 2021
5. Develop & Implement National Transport Information System modules and TRIPS – October 2019 to March 2021

# The Road Ahead – 2019 to 2021

6. Commission Compliant Facilities – October 2019 to March 2021
  - a) Vehicle Testing Stations
  - b) Driving Test Centres
  - c) Weigh Stations
7. Select 2 corridors for implementation by Jul'20
8. Implementation in selected corridors – April to November 2021
9. Urgent Immediate Actions:
  - a) Setting of IAP Technical Committees for Legislation, Systems, Standards, VLM and PC.
  - b) Drafting of National TTTFP IAPs

# QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION



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