

**HOW DOES SOUTH SUDAN'S ADMISSION TO THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY INFLUENCE THE SHAPE AND PACE OF REGIONAL INTEGRATION?**

**Friday , 25<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

**8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Registration**

**9:00 - 9:30 a.m. Opening address**

Dorothee Braun ( Director – RLS Dar es Salaam office)

**Key note speech**

Mukasa Mbidde ( Chairperson Trade, Investment and communications committee, EALA)

**Setting the stage**

Prof. Mwambytsya Ndebesa ( Coordinator Development Studies, Makerere University)

Prof. Robert Esuruku (Head of research, International Alert)

**9:30 – 11:00 a.m. Session one**

**Background and state of play of South Sudan accession in the East African Community**

Hajji Rashid Kibowa ( Director of Trade EAC)

**Discussants:**

Don Bosco Malish ( Open Society Institute for East Africa)

Hon. Mike Kennedy Sebalu ( East African Legislative Assembly)

Munu Martin Luther ( Economic Policy Research Centre)

**Plenary** (All Participants)

**Key Listener:** Ambassador Nathan Irumba ( ED, SEATINI)

**COFFEE BREAK**

**11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Session Two**

**Trading with neighbours: Integrating South Sudan into the EAC trade structure**

Okot Richard Okello ( Principal commercial officer Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment, Uganda)

Dr. Elly Twineyo ( Executive Director, Uganda Export Promotion Board)

**Discussants**

Kassim Omar ( Chairman at Uganda Clearing Industry and Forwarding Association)

Everest Kayondo (Chairman Kampala City Traders Association)

Moses Sabiti ( Country Director, TradeMark East Africa)

Representative (South Sudan business community association in Uganda)

**Plenary** (All Participants)

**Key Listener:** Hon. Kenneth Lubogo ( Chairperson committee on Trade, Industry and Cooperatives)

## **LUNCH**

**2:30 – 3:50 p.m.**

### **Session Three**

#### **The role of regionalism in peace building and stability; opportunities and challenges for the EAC and South Sudan**

Daud Gideon (Programme Manager PAX, South Sudan)

Edgar Tabaro ( Lawyer KT Associates and political analyst)

#### **Discussants:**

Representative from (Uganda People's Defence Forces, regional integration department)

Kasacca Henry (Dialogue & Democracy Training Centre - Uganda)

Merekaje Lorna ( General Secretary South Sudan Democracy Monitoring Programme)

Boutrous Biel ( Advocate, South Sudan Human Rights Society)

**3:50 – 4:20 p.m.**

### **Closing session**

#### **Wrap Up and closing remarks**

Helen Kezie-Nwoha ( Isis-Wicce – Uganda)

Hon. Ayoo Tonny ( Chairperson committee on East African Community Affairs)

H.E. Samuel Luete Lominsuk ( South Sudan Ambassador to Uganda)

#### **Moderators**

**Twijukye Gerald ( Centre for Basic Research - Kampala) and Kasirye Samuel ( Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung)**