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## **National Capacity Building Workshop on Indicators for Measuring and Benchmarking Productive Capacities and Structural Economic Transformation in Rwanda**

*23-25 July 2018*

**Draft Programme**

Kigali Serena Hotel

**Day 1 (Monday, 23 July 2018)** Consultation with immediate stakeholders on the report prepared by the national consultant and the indicators developed by UNCTAD

- UNCTAD Team meets with relevant departments in the Ministry of Trade and Industry, Ministry of Economic Planning and Development, the Statistical Authority and other national stakeholders.
- Venue: Ministry of Trade and Industry or Ministry of Economic Planning

*The consultations are intended to share the findings and policy conclusions of the work undertaken with the Ministry of Trade and Industry of Rwanda. The focus will be on the importance of the Productive Capacities Index (PCI) and its use in domestic policy formulation and implementation. The consultations will help to forge common ground prior to discussing the reports, conclusions and findings with other stakeholders.*

**Day 2 (Tuesday, 24 July 2018)**

08:30-09:00 Registration

### **Opening Session**

*This session is intended to set the tone for the workshop and provide direction for subsequent discussions. It will particularly highlight the objectives, expected outcomes and implications of measuring productive capacities for trade and development policy formulation and implementation in Rwanda.*

09:00 - 09:10 Welcoming remarks:

**Mr. Michel M. Sebera**, Permanent Secretary, Ministry Trade and Industry of Rwanda

09:10 - 09:20 Introductory Remarks:

**Mr. Patrick Osakwe**, Head, Trade and Poverty Branch, UNCTAD

**09:30 - 10:30 Session I (Sub-theme I): Productive capacities, economic transformation in African development with implications for Rwanda**

*This item is intended to provide insights into domestic policies, strategies and the institutional framework necessary to build productive capacities, diversify the economy of Rwanda and to unlock the potential of trade by fostering structural economic transformation. It will also examine the experiences of other developing countries, together with policy lessons to be drawn from such experiences.*

09:30 - 09:45 Assessment of progress in the implementation of the National Vision 2020 of Rwanda: Key challenges, opportunities for fostering productive capacities and the way forward:

**Mr. Godfrey Kabera**, Director General of National Development Planning and Research, Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning

09:45 -10:00 National policy and institutional framework for fostering productive capacities and structural economic transformation in Rwanda:

**Mr. Richard Karugarama/ Mr. Leonard Mungarulire**, National Consultant for UNCTAD, Kigali, Rwanda

10:00 - 10:15 Productive capacities, economic transformation in African development with implications for Rwanda:

**Mr. Patrick Osakwe**, Head, Trade and Poverty Branch, UNCTAD

10:15 - 10:30 Interactive discussions

10:30 - 10:40 Coffee/Tea Break

**10:40 - 12:30 Session II (Sub-theme II): The state of productive capacities and economic transformation in Rwanda, including export diversification.**

*This session is intended to revisit the state of productive capacities and structural economic transformation in Rwanda and to investigate the linkages between productive capacities, structural economic transformation and export diversification. It discusses the role of regional transport infrastructure, trade facilitation and trade logistics in fostering diversification and economic transformation in Rwanda based on the experiences of selected developing countries, such as Botswana.*

10:40 - 10:55 State of productive capacities and structural economic transformation in Rwanda vis-à-vis other developing countries

**Mr. Mussie Delelegn**, Chief, Landlocked Developing Countries Section, *Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes*, UNCTAD

10:55 - 11:10 Institutional arrangements for economic policy formulation, implementation and coordination in Botswana: Practical lessons with implications for Rwanda

**Ms. Montle Phuthego**, National Consultant for UNCTAD, Gaborone, Botswana

11:10 - 11:25 Regional transport infrastructure, trade facilitation and trade logistics for fostering export productive capacities and structural economic transformation in Rwanda

**Ms. Patience Mutesi**, Country Director-Rwanda, TradeMark East Africa, Kigali, Rwanda

11:25 - 12:30 Interactive Discussions

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch Break

**13.30 - 16:00 Session III (Sub-theme III): The role of economic growth and export diversification in achieving inclusive and sustainable development in Rwanda**

13:30 -13:45 Policy and institutions to promote export diversification for inclusive growth and development in Rwanda

**Mr. Richard Karugarama/ Mr.Leonard Mungarulire**, National Consultant for UNCTAD, Kigali, Rwanda

13:45 - 14:00 The role of trade and export diversification in achieving the SDGs and the Rwanda National Vision 2020

**Mr. Dickson Mulunda**, Senior Researcher, Institute of Policy Analysis and Research (IPAR) of Rwanda

14:00 - 14:30 Interactive Discussions

14:30 - 14:45 Economic concentration, dependency and the drive for fostering productive capacities and structural economic transformation in Rwanda

**Mr. Mussie Deleegn**, Chief, Landlocked Developing Countries Section, *Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes*, UNCTAD

14:45 - 15:00 Policies and strategies of Botswana for fostering productive capacities and economic transformation with implications for Rwanda

**Ms. Montle Phuthego**, National Consultant for UNCTAD, Gaborone, Botswana

15:00 - 15:10 Coffee/Tea Break

**Session IV: (Sub-themes IV and V) Indicators for developing a composite Productive Capacities Index for Rwanda: Implications for national policy making processes: The need for a holistic approach to fostering productive capacities**

*This session will examine key indicators and sub-indicators of the Productive Capacities Index, together with conceptual, statistical and methodological issues used in measuring productive capacities and structural economic transformation in Rwanda, including implications of these for policy formulation and implementation in the country.*

15:10 - 15:30 Indicators for developing a composite Productive Capacities Index for Rwanda: Implications for national policy making processes:

**Mr. Mussie Delelegn**, Chief, Landlocked Developing Countries Section, *Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes*, UNCTAD

15:30 - 15:50 Export diversification for inclusive and sustainable development of Rwanda: Lessons from selected developing countries: The need for holistic approaches

**Mr. Patrick Osakwe**, Head, Trade and Poverty Branch, *Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes*, UNCTAD

15:50 - 16:10 The role of national statistics for informed policy making: How is data collected and how does it feed into policy making processes in Rwanda?

**Mr. Yusuf Murangwa**, DG National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda

**National Institute of Statistics**

16:10 - 18:00 Consideration of recommended policy options as inputs to senior officials (policy level) meeting

**18:30**     **Cocktail offered by UNCTAD at Serena Hotel**

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### Segment II. Senior officials (policy Level) consultations (25 July 2018)

08:30 - 09:00 **Registration**

09:00 - 09:30 **Opening session**

- *Opening remarks:*  
**Mr. Michel M. Sebera**, Permanent Secretary, Ministry Trade and Industry of Rwanda;
- Report on the technical-level meeting:  
**Mr. Jonas Munyurangabo**, Director General of Planning, M&E, Ministry of Trade and Industry

09:30 -10:00 Why is fostering productive capacities and structural transformation necessary and what policy options need to be examined?  
**Mr. Patrick Osakwe**, Head, Trade and Poverty Branch, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD

10:00 – 10:30 Botswana’s best practices, success stories and challenges ahead: what policy implications for Rwanda?  
**Ms. Montle Phuthego**, National Consultant for UNCTAD, Gaborone, Botswana

10:30 - 11:00 **Coffee/Tea break**

11:00 - 11:30 Indicators for measuring and benchmarking productive capacities: What is the policy significance/relevance of Productive Capacity Index for Rwanda?  
**Mr. Mussie Delelegn**, Chief, Landlocked Developing Countries Section, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD

11:30 - 12:00 **Interactive discussions and reflection on the way forward: Validation of the Productive Capacities Index**

12:00 - 12:30 **Wrap up and closing remarks:**  
**Mr Michel M. Sebera**, Permanent Secretary, Ministry Trade and Industry of Rwanda

12:30 - 14:00 **Lunch break**