
**UNITED NATIONS WORLD INVESTMENT FORUM ON TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT
UNCTAD GENEVA 13 – 16 OCTOBER 2014**



Ms Paulina Elago; SACU Executive Secretary (centre) flanked by the ITC Executive Director Dorothy Tembo, and her Deputy

The Executive Secretary Ms Paulina Elago accompanied by Mr Anton Faul; Director Policy Development & Research attended the fourth biennial World Investment Forum organised by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) that took place in Geneva Switzerland on 13 – 16 October 2014.

The World Investment Forum strives to fill the gap in the global economic governance architecture by establishing a global platform for engaging policy makers, private sector and other stakeholders. This year's Forum was to be part of the events organised to celebrate UNCTAD's fiftieth anniversary, and consisted of over twenty events. The theme of the Forum was Investing in Sustainable Development.

During this period the Executive Secretary took the opportunity to hold meetings with other stakeholders pertinent to the implementation of the SACU Agenda. One such meeting was a courtesy call on **Mr Kristinne Arnason, EFTA, Secretary-General to discuss SACU-EFTA**

trade relations. She also had the opportunity to meet with Ms **Dorothy Tembo**, ITC Executive Director, to discuss Trade data/statistics/trade agreement implementation. Another meeting was with, **Stefano Inama/Pramila Crivelli**, UNCTAD to discuss Trade in Services Capacity Building for the Secretariat and Mr **Markus Jelitto** of Trade-in-Services Division, **WTO for discussions on** Trade in Services Capacity Building for the Secretariat. She also paid a courtesy call on Mr **Willy Alfaro**, Director-Trade Policies Review Division & Mr **Jacque Degbelo**, where the discussions focused on SACU Trade Policy Review. Another courtesy call was to Ambassador **Yonov Frederick Agah**, Deputy-Director General, & Ms **Bridget Chilala**, Director-Institute for Training and Technical Corporation, on Capacity Building & Technical Assistance in general, including NB/TB