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## PROMOTING MSME FORMALIZATION THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISE MODEL

## **WORKSHOP**

The Micro and Small Enterprises Authority (MSEA), Kenya Division for Sustainable Development Goals, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DSDG/DESA), United Nations

13.00-16.00pm (East Africa Time) / 5.00am- 8.00am (Eastern Standard Time) Thursday, 11 March 2021

## Agenda

Time	Session	Moderator
	Thursday, 11 March 2021	
13.00- 13.30hrs	<ul> <li>Session One: Opening Remarks:</li> <li>Mr. Amson Sibanda, Chief, National Strategies and Capacity Building Branch, Division for Sustainable Development Goals Department of Economic and Social Affairs (NSCBB, DSDG/DESA)</li> <li>Mr. Japeth Magomere, International Cooperative Alliance (ICA)-Africa President</li> <li>Mr. Henry Rithaa, Director-General, Micro and Small Enterprises Authority (MSEA)- Rep Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and Enterprise Development, Kenya</li> </ul>	Dr. Chiyoge B. Sifa International Consultant, DSDG/DESA
13.30- 14.30hrs	Session Two: Regulatory environment for MSME formalization in Africa and Kenya Part A Complementary perspectives from consultant experts • Dr. Chiyoge B. Sifa: Good practices of formalization of MSMEs and How coops have promoted same in Africa, Kenya included • Mr. Stanley Ongeti: Policy guidelines on the formalization of MSMEs in Kenya- leveraging the cooperative model	Mr. Stanley Ongeti National Consultant, DSDG/DESA

	<ul> <li>Part B.</li> <li>Good practices on policy and regulatory support to MSMEs in Africa Invited speakers:         <ul> <li>Ms. Simel Esim, Head, Cooperatives Unit, ILO</li> <li>Ms. Monica Canafoglia, Legal Officer, United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
14.30- 14.40hrs	Q&A for Session Two	
14.40- 15.50hrs	Session Three: Leveraging the Cooperative Business Model for MSMEs financing towards formalization: Prof. Jean Bosco Harelimana, Director-General Rwanda Cooperative Agency Mr. Vincent Marangu, Director in charge of the Cooperatives Banking Division, Cooperative Bank of Kenya Mr. George Ototo, Managing Director, Kenya Union of Savings and Credit Cooperatives Ltd (KUSCCO) Ms. Reema Nanavaty, Director SEWA Mr. Jeremy Kamau, Associate Director, SME Banking- Equity Bank (K) Limited	Dr. Chiyoge B. Sifa International Consultant, DSDG/DESA
15.50- 16.00hrs	Q&A for Session Three	
16.00- 16.10hrs	Closing Remarks	Mr. Richard Ipero Director of Strategy and Planning Micro and Small Enterprises Authority, Kenya (MSEA)