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## WEBINAR SCHEDULE

### WEBINAR ON ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY BUSINESS INNOVATIONS

28-29 September 2021

Day 1: (28 September 2021)

TIME (SAST)	ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE
<b>SESSION 1: Opening Ceremony</b>		<b>Dr. George Torrens,</b> <i>Senior Lecturer in Industrial Design and Assistive Products, Loughborough University, UK</i>
08:30	Registration link remains open	<b>SAFOD Secretariat &amp; Loughborough University</b>
09:00 – 09:10	Welcoming remarks	<b>Mr. Wabotlhe Chimidza,</b> <i>Chairperson SAFOD</i>
09:10 – 09:30	Presentation on the objectives of the webinar	<b>Mr. Mussa Chiwaula,</b> <i>Director General – SAFOD</i>
09:30 – 10:00	Keynote Address	<b>Mrs. Alexia Manombe-Ncube,</b> <i>Deputy Minister In The Presidency of Disability Affairs – NAMIBIA</i>
10:00 – 10:20	Health Break	<b>SAFOD Secretariat &amp; Loughborough University</b>
<b>SESSION 2: Research &amp; Development</b>		<b>Dr. Alister Munthali</b> <i>Centre for Social Research, Malawi</i>
10:20 – 11:00	The role of research and development (R&D) in advancing assistive technology innovations for businesses and entrepreneurs – best practice examples.	<b>Prof. Gubela Mji</b> <i>Chairperson African Network for Evidence-to-Action in Disability (AfrINEAD)</i>
11:00 – 11:30 <i>(pre-recorded)</i>	An overview of the AT situation in Southern Africa, including selected examples of innovative AT businesses/ entrepreneurs	<b>Rebecca Matter (PhD),</b> <i>Independent Social science researcher</i>

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11:30 – 12:00	GSMA experiences on digital AT innovations, with insights on: (a) The 2020 Mobile Disability Gap research (b) Innovation fund for Assistive Tech grantees (c) Best practice approaches from the Principles for the Digital Inclusion signatories.	Kim Viljoen, Senior Market Engagement manager
12:00 – 12:45	Plenary session	Session Chairperson
12:45 – 14:00	Lunch	SAFOD Secretariat & Loughborough University
<b>SESSION 3:</b> <i>How the application of the novel Business Integrated Industrial Design Innovation (BIID) process can promote AT business innovations.</i>		<b>Mr. Leonard Marange</b> FODPZ Executive Director, - ZIMBABWE
14:00 – 15:00	An overview of the Business Integrated Industrial Design Innovation (BIID) process and how it can promote assistive technology business innovations.	George Torrens, Simon Downs Loughborough University,  Tim Whitehead, Aston University,
15:00 – 15:30	An overview of the AT-Info-Map project ( <a href="https://www.atinfomap.org/app.html">https://www.atinfomap.org/app.html</a> ) and the future plans, including how the BIID concept could support project sustainability.	<b>Mr. George Kayange,</b> Director of Programmes - SAFOD
15:30 – 16:00	Plenary session	Session Chairperson
16:00	End of Day 1	SAFOD Secretariat & Loughborough University

### Day 2: (29 September 2021)

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08:30	Registration link remains open	SAFOD Secretariat & Loughborough University
<b>SESSION 4:</b> <i>Sharing of challenges and good business practices/innovations that make local social enterprises thrive</i>		<b>Mr. Nkhasi Sefuthi</b> LNFOOD Executive Director, LESOTHO
09:00 – 09:30	Inspirations for developing the first rechargeable hearing aid battery – sharing of challenges and good business practices.	<b>Mr. Tendekayi Katsiga</b> Founder at Deaftronics, BOTSWANA

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09:30 – 10:00	Sharing of challenges and good business practices for managing the Signcoach app, an app that teaches the Botswana sign language.	<b>Ms. Lucia Otsetswe,</b> Founder – ATRD, BOTSWANA
10:00 – 11:30	Exploring how small business entrepreneurs who supply AT products for hearing impairments can leverage on an innovative tool for screening hearing impairments using commercially available tablets, headphones, and dedicated software for gaming might enable teachers.	<b>Ms. Tone Øderud,</b> SINTEF Researcher NORWAY
10:30 – 11:00	Best practice examples in AT Innovations for businesses and entrepreneurships – the case of Edit Micro Systems	<b>Mr Gerhard Erasmus,</b> Edit Micro Systems, SOUTH AFRICA
11:00 – 11:20	<b>Tea Break</b>	<b>SAFOD Secretariat &amp; Loughborough University</b>
10:20 – 12:00	<b>Plenary</b>	<b>Session Chairperson</b>
<b>SESSION 5:</b> <i>The role of assistive technology hubs and/or labs in enhancing entrepreneurial innovations</i>		<b>Mr. Simon Manda</b> Managing Editor, ThisAbility Newspaper, SOUTH AFRICA
12:00 – 12:30	Key innovations from an ear mould & hearing aid repair lab in Zimbabwe	<b>Ms. Deborah Tigere,</b> CBM Zimbabwe
12:30 – 13:00	AT2030 and building an Assistive Technology Innovation ecosystem <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Innovate Now: Africa’s first Assistive technology accelerator</li> <li>• Assistive Technology impact Fund</li> </ul>	<b>Catherine Holloway,</b> GDI Hub, UK
1300 - 1400	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>Secretariat</b>
14:00 – 14:45	<b>Plenary</b>	<b>Session Chairperson</b>
<b>SESSION 6:</b> <i>Outlining the roadmap for Southern Africa: Where do we go from here?</i>		<b>Fernando Botelho,</b> AT Program Specialist, UNICEF - ESARO
14:45 – 15:15	An overview of SAFOD's long-term vision with regards to assistive technology.	<b>Mr. George Kayange,</b> SAFOD Director of Programmes
15:15 – 16:00	<b>Plenary Session</b> <i>(Delegates expected to make specific recommendations for strengthening AT business/entrepreneurship innovations in the region)</i>	<b>Session Chairperson</b>
16:00	<b>End of Day 2 /Programme</b>	<b>Secretariat</b>