





PAN AFRICAN ACAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME (PACBP)

<u>And</u>

PROJECT PREPARATION AND DEVELOPMENT FACILITY (PPDF)

CAPACITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIP

RISK ANALYSIS TRAINING SHORT COURSE

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SUMMARY REPORT

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1. INTRODUCTION

This report presents highlights from the five-day Risk Analysis and Risk Management Short Course held at the Development Bank of Southern Africa (DBSA) premises in Midrand, South Africa. The report is a summary of main subjects covered and participants' responses and feedback from the training delivered. Facilitators used were Senior DBSA Risk Management professionals to ensure that the course is practical and experiential.

2. BACKGROUND

During 2015, the PACBP partnered with the European Union-funded SADC Project Preparation and Development Facility (PPDF) to provide targeted training for the SADC region. The Risk Analysis and Management five-day course was scheduled 26 to 29 February 2016 as part of the SADC PPDF capacity building initiative. The DBSA trainers are among the leading trainers available for such facilitation. They are respected locally and regionally for their vast expertise and practical experiential knowledge in analysing and managing project-related risks. The PACBP recommended working with the them because of the high-level calibre and seniority of the 26 delegates registered for the course from across the SADC region. The other reason was that the course required a balanced mix of theoretical, practical application, and experiential illustrations of the subject.

3. OVERVIEW OF MAIN ISSUES COVERED IN THE COURSE

The following are among some of the leading topics addressed during this intensive five-day course:

- Fundamental Theories of Project Risk
- What are the core elements of Risk Management?
- Practical Case Studies and Illustrations of Risk Management
- Projects Risks that have been experienced in the SADC Region
- Projects Risk in currently on-going projects
- Projects that have failed as a result of poor Risk Management
- What are the fundamentals needed to safeguard projects from major risks
- Numerous practical examples, group work, illustrations by the facilitator/trainer

4. CONCLUSION

The PACBP Programme Management Unit (PMU) team will follow up with the SADC PPDF and regional stakeholders to determine when a follow-up course will be held and to ensure that delegates get value for the capacity building funding allocated from the PPDF budget. Delegates expressed great satisfaction in their evaluation reports and the facilitators will be informed of areas of improvement.