Representations 2008

December 2008

Patrick Chengo attended a workshop on Aid for Trade (AfT) organised by the Embassy of Finland, in Lusaka, on December 09-10, 2008. The objective of the workshop was to improve knowledge of the global AfT agenda and awareness of the options available for AfT related programmes in development cooperation.

Simon Ng'ona attended a workshop organised by Participatory Ecological Land Use Management (PELUM) Zambia, in Lusaka, on December 09, 2008. The objective of the workshop was to provide inputs and recommendations on the research conducted on farmer organisations in Zambia by PELUM.

September 2008

Patrick Chengo attended a workshop on "Doing Business in Zambia – Linking Small Scale Farmers to Larger Market Opportunities" organised by the Civil Society Trade Network of Zambia (CSTNZ), in Lusaka, on September 17, 2008.

August 2008

Simon Ng'ona 2008 attended the launch of the joint Millennium Development Goals (MDG)-8 progress reports by the Civil Society Trade Network of Zambia (CTNZ), the Civil Society for Poverty Reduction (CSPR) and Jesuit Centre for Theological Reflection (JCTR), in Lusaka, on August 14, 2008. The three reports vividly looked at the key elements of MDG8 which included debt relief, increased aid flows and better trade and market access for goods from developing countries.

July 2008

Patrick Chengo attended "FINISH THE WORK" campaign hosted by Jesuit Centre for Theological Reflection (JCTR) in Lusaka, on July 15, 2008. The campaign is basically a call for the government to stick to its promises of reforming the loan contraction and debt management framework by enacting a comprehensive debt management law.

June 2008

Angela Mwape Mulenga attended a meeting on Trade in Services organised by the Ministry of Commerce, Trade & Industry (MCTI) in Lusaka, on June 26, 2008. The objective of the meeting was to update members on the trade in services negotiations in the region, particularly in Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA), Southern African Development Community (SADC) and EPA services negotiations.

Angela Mwape Mulenga attended a trade facilitation meeting organised by the National Working Group on Trade Facilitation at the Ministry of Commerce, Trade & Industry (MCTI) in Lusaka, on June 14, 2008. The objective of the meeting was to update members on the status of the WTO negotiations on trade facilitation.

Tamiko Sichinga M'ule attended an EPA working group meeting held in Lusaka, on June 12, 2008. The meeting was convened to discuses cross cutting issues on EPA negotiations which included, among others, the following the involvement of the Zambian government in the EPA negotiations and to discuss the CSO national impact assessment study of EPAs on least developed countries (LDCs).

Angela Mwape Mulenga attended a discussion meeting on 'Sugar Shortages and the High Price of Sugar on the Zambian Market' organised by the Zambia Consumer Association (ZACA) in Lusaka, on June 09, 2008. The objective of the meeting was to find a way of campaigning against unfair and anti-competitive practices by the Zambia Sugar Company in order to safeguard consumer welfare.

Patrick Chengo attended the "Eight Commonwealth India Small Business Competitiveness Development Programme", held in Chennai, during June 08-13, 2008. The programme was mainly to share information on strategies and experiences of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in India.

May 2008

Patrick Chengo attended a Consumer welfare meeting organised by the Ministry of Commerce, Trade & Industry (MCTI), in Lusaka, on May 20, 2008. The meeting was hosted to mainly seek guidance on the structure of the newly established consumer welfare committee and how an action plan for consumer awareness could be structured.

Patrick Chengo attended a EPA strategisng meeting for small-scale farmers organised by Eastern and Southern Africa Farmers Forum (ESAFF), in Lusaka, on May 16, 2008.

Angela Mwape Mulenga and Patrick Chengo attended the three day workshop organised by Tax Justice Network Africa (TJN-A) in collaboration with Civil Society Trade Network of Zambia (CSTNZ) in Lusaka, on May 11, 2008.

April 2008

Patrick Chengo attended the Integrated Framework (IF) meeting held at the Ministry of Commerce, Trade & Industry (MCTI), in Lusaka, on April 28, 2008.

Rodney Katongo attended a half day inception meeting organised by Jesuit Centre for Theological Reflection (JCTR) in collaboration with Civil Society Trade Network of Zambia (CSTNZ) and Civil Society for Poverty Reduction (CSPR) for a joint research on Millennium Development Goal (MDG)-8 in Lusaka, April 25, 2008.

Patrick Chengo attended a meeting organised by the European Commission (EC) in Zambia to discuss the then recent developments under the framework agreement and share information on the future of the EPAs, in Lusaka, on April 04, 2008.

Rodney Katongo attended a meeting at Jesuit Centre for Theological Reflection (JCTR) to discuss the then proposed JCTR Debt Management Bill, in Lusaka, on April 01, 2008. The objective of the meeting was for CSOs to review and provide inputs to the proposed Debt Management Bill by JCTR.

March 2008

Tamiko Sichinga M'ule, Patrick Chengo and Charles Katongola joining in the commemoration the World Consumer Rights' Day which was characterised by a match past organised by the Ministry of Commerce, Trade & Industry (MCTI), on March 15, 2008. The theme was "Raising Consumer awareness on Consumer Rights and Obligations".

Angela Mwape Mulenga attended the Pre-UNCTAD XII Civil Society Forum Conference in Nairobi on March 13-14, 2008. The objective of the conference was to formulate a set of key messages from CSOs in Africa to be fed into the quadrennial meeting of the UNCTAD XII planned for Accra during April 16-19, 2008.

Patrick and Rodney attended the CSO Trade Policy Review and Strategy Meetings organised by PELUM Zambia, in Lusaka, on March 11-13, 2008. The main objectives of the meetings

were to review and strategise on the current trade policies; create a platform for CSO members, for sharing advocacy strategies; and joint activities for the year that would help in advocating for fair trade and development.

Angela Mwape Mulenga attended the national consultations workshop organised by the Ministry of Commerce, Trade & Industry (MCTI) on March 06-08, 2008. The consultations aimed at formulating negotiating positions on competition policy, investment and government procurement for Zambia.

January 2008

Patrick Chengo participated in the National Consumer Conference held under the theme "Consumer You the Power: towards an Enlightened Consumer in the Liberalised Economy" jointly organised by the Communications Authority of Zambia (CAZ), Energy Regulation Board (ERB) and National Water Supply and Sanitation Council (NWASCO) in Lusaka, on January 24-25, 2008.