

## **Representations for 2014**

### **December 2014**

- Annie M Siame attended a workshop on 'Hygiene Practices and Food Safety Systems Based on HACCP in World Trade' organised by International Trade Centre in collaboration with the Zambia Development Agency on December 08, 2014. The overall objective was to bring awareness to the agri-food industry, on the need for and implications of Hygiene Practices and Food Safety Systems in Zambia and World Trade.

### **November 2014**

- Annie M Siame attended CCPC Merger Guidelines Validation workshop on November 21, 2014. The objective of the workshop was to enable stakeholders to make final input into the drafting process following earlier comments received on May 17, 2014 for adoption by Board of Commissioners.
- Annie M Siame and Toana Mkandawire attended this launch meeting of ERB Toll Free Line on November 24, 2014. The purpose of the meeting was to introduce the toll free line which will serve as a platform to enable energy consumers to interact with the regulator more easily.
- Alfred Chitalu attended ZRZ/CPG High Level Stakeholder Dialogue Event in Lusaka on November 24-25, 2014. The purpose of this meeting was to learn from experiences of others and share ideas on the way forward for job creation to promote inclusive growth.
- Simon Ng'ona and Chilufya Katandula attended Thematic Trade Meeting on November 28, 2014. The meeting was organised by CTPD to engage all players the trade arena for information sharing and general engagement.

### **October 2014**

- Faith Mwamba and Katandula Chitika attended and represented CUTS international at this ERB Strategic Plan Meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to launch the Sixth Strategic Plan which will run up to 2016.
- Joseph Abraham and Faith Mwamba attended the World Bank High Level Stakeholders Meeting on October 09, 2014. The purpose of the meeting was to make stakeholders understand the content of the Charter, take stock of the progress and agree on the division of responsibilities.

### **September 2014**

- Faith Mwamba attended a workshop on Capacity Building on Online Legal Research organised by the Zambian Governance Foundation (ZGF) in collaboration with Southern African Institute for Policy and Research (SAIPAR) on September 26, 2014. The objective of the meeting was to discuss how online legal research tools can be used by CSOs to better their research and help them advocate for the right policy changes.
- Katandula Chitika and Alfred Chitalu attended a meeting organised by the World Health Organisation. This was an assessment meeting of the National Regulatory

System for Medicines and Allied Substances on request by the Ministry of Health on September 25, 2014

- Simon Ng'ona and Alfred Chitalu attended a meeting at the World Bank offices on September 19, 2014. The purpose of the meeting was to share information about work done by various invited research institutions, to learn from each other and the possibility of networking and collaboration.
- Alfred Chitalu participated in the Zambia Tax Platform (ZTP) 3rd Quarter Steering Committee meeting held at Economics Association of Zambia (EAZ) on September 24, 2014. The purpose of the meeting was to give an update on ZTP activity implementation in quarter two and three of 2014, validate the advocacy and communication strategy for ZTP, choose the ZTP Website colour and logo, review the ZTP MoU and elect the ZTP steering committee members.
- Faith Mwamba participated in the closing session of the Consumer Protection Dialogue Conference held in Malawi on September 10, 2014. The purpose of this meeting was to revive the discussions on the Memorandum of Understanding between CUTS and CCC.

#### **August 2014**

- Simon Ng'ona and Katandula Chitika attended the AGOA Workshop on August 12, 2014. The purpose of the meeting was to validate the draft AGOA national response strategy and adding more substantive input for the preparation of the final report.
- Faith Mwamba and Katandula Chitika attended this meeting on Private Sector Development Strategy for 2015-2019 on August 27, 2014. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the strategy with all relevant stakeholders including CUTS. Among the issues discussed, was the implementation plan for the strategy and the specific sector of focus.
- Katandula Chitika attended the AGOA Meeting on August 28, 2014. The aim of the meeting was to approve the final National Response Strategy for Zambia.

#### **July 2014**

- Annie M. Siame participated in a training workshop on social accountability facilitated by the Public Service Accountability Monitor and organised by the Zambia Governance Foundation (ZGF) during July 01-August 28, 2014. The objective of the training was to train ZGF partners with the skills on social accountability monitoring to enhance the internal and external capacities of CSOs.

#### **June 2014**

- Simon Ng'ona, Faith P Mwamba, Rijit Sengupta and Shreya Kaushik participated in the Law Association of Zambia Training Workshop on Competition Law and Policy. Sengupta delivered a presentation on how sub-Saharan African countries should adopt competition law and policy. He highlighted how those countries that have introduced competition laws and policy have had challenges with enforcement.

## **May 2014**

- Samantha Malambo participated in the Roundtable Discussion on the Improvement of Collective Agreements to/or Above the Minimum Gross Wage in Government this meeting. The discussions were centred on the proposed improvement of the collective agreement to/ or above the minimum gross wage in government of K3,003 by private sector and the impact it may have on the private sector, if implemented.
- Musonda Mseteka attended the Evaluation of the African Growth Opportunity Act (AGOA) meeting organised by the Ministry of Commerce Trade & Industry. Among the issues discussed was the need for Zambia to come up with a national strategy on how Zambia can benefit from the AGOA.

## **April 2014**

- Faith P Mwamba attended Stakeholder's Workshop on the Role of ZABS as a National Standards Body organised by the Zambia Bureau of Standards (ZABS) and facilitated by the International Standards Organisation (ISO).
- Faith P Mwamba participated in Zambia Bureau of Standards School Furniture Technical Committee Meeting. The objective of the meeting was to review the Classroom Furniture Specification Standard Number DZS457: 2014 Edition

## **January 2014**

- CUTS Lusaka team attended a meeting on Commercial, Trade and Industrial (CTI) policy review held on January 31, 2014. The purpose of this meeting was for civil society to come up with a collective position that can be incorporated in the review of CTI policy by the Ministry Commerce, Trade & Industry.