

Media Alert

03 March 2026

Collection of Media Accreditation for the Ordinary Meeting of the 45th SADC Council of Ministers

South Africa, as the Interim Chair of the Southern African Development Community (SADC), is set to host the Ordinary Meeting of the 45th SADC Council of Ministers under the theme: ***"Advancing Industrialisation, Agricultural Transformation, and Energy Transition for a Resilient SADC"***.

The Council will review progress on regional projects and programmes, assess the implementation of decisions of the SADC Summit and previous Councils, and deliberate on regional priorities aimed at deepening integration and accelerating development in support of the SADC Summit theme.

Members of the media can collect accreditation as follows:

Date: 04 – 07 March 2026

Time: 08:30- 18:00

Venue: DIRCO Gym (Basement 1), 460 Soutpansberg Road, Rietondale, Pretoria

Required Documents for Live Accreditation:

- Original ID/passport (copies will not be accepted).
- A press card or letter of assignment on a media house letterhead.
- Media accreditation must be collected in person by each accredited journalist.
- Members of the media are encouraged to collect their accreditation cards early.

NB: See next page for media programme

MEDIA PROGRAMME

SADC Senior Officials Meeting

Saturday, 07 March 2026

Time	Activity
08:30	Opening Remarks of the Chair of the Committee of Senior Officials
10:20	Family photo of the members of the Committee of Senior Officials

SADC Council of Ministers Meeting

Thursday, 12 March 2025

Time	Activity
07:30	Arrivals of Ministers at the Summit Venue (Photo Opportunity)
08:30	Family photo of the members of the Council of Ministers
08:40	Opening Remarks

Friday, 13 March 2026

16:00	Closing Remarks
	Press Conference (tentative)

Media enquiries:

Kgotso Rapakuana: +27 73 058 3876, RapakuanaK@dirco.gov.za. Maeba Fhulufhelo: +2760 967 8945, Maebaf@dirco.gov.za

ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND COOPERATION

OR Tambo Building

[460 Soutpansberg Road](#)

Rietondale

Pretoria

0084