

Malawi

Update on Progress

- ★ In mid-March 2008, the Government of Malawi appointed Mr. Sam Kakhobwe as the Point of Contact for the MCA core team and Mr. Alex Gomani as the Chief Economist. Ms. Susan Banda has since been named as the Public Outreach Coordinator.
- ★ Malawi’s constraints analysis, conducted in May 2008, identified unreliable energy supplies, high transport costs and lack of access to international trade corridors, and an overvalued exchange rate as principal constraints to economic growth.
- ★ During broad-based national consultations held from June to August 2008 to obtain feedback on these constraints, stakeholders identified lack of water/irrigation and underdevelopment of human capital as additional constraints to economic growth.
- ★ These findings were shared at the National Stakeholder Conference held in Lilongwe on September 10, 2008, attended by over 100 representatives from the private sector, government, civil society and the donor community.
- ★ Over the next two months, the MCA core team will continue scoping potential projects for MCA compact funding, with extensive input provided by key stakeholders in the identified constraints areas.
- ★ Malawi’s two-year \$20.9 million threshold program, focused on anti-corruption reforms, concluded in September 2008.

Compact Status

StatusCompact Eligible

Country Information

Population13,603,181*

GNI Per Capita\$250*

Compact Process

Stage

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Notification

Concept Paper

Receipt

Concept

Assessment

Memo

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Notification

on Compact

Negotiations

Investment Memo

Board Approval

Compact Signing

Entry

Into Force

Initial

Disbursement