## **Proposed plan for a SADC Framework MRA (SADC MRA)**

- 1. SADC to form a task force to develop a SADC Framework MRA (SADC MRA). This task force will be chaired by SADC personnel and supported by the SADC secretariat. ITU/BDT will provide technical assistance to the task force.
- 2. The proposed SADC MRA will be based on existing and operational Framework MRA, namely the APEC TEL MRA covering 21 economies in the Asia Pacific region. The SADC MRA committee will adjust and modify this MRA if required to meet specific SADC requirements mostly in the administrative areas.
- 3. To implement the SADC MRA, members of SADC will develop specific bilateral MRAs with their partners. Participation in the SADC MRA is voluntary. When SADC members decide to participate they will have to follow the principles and procedures of the SADC MRA.
- 4. The SADC MRA could be expanded to cover other African regions.