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Forum on the national evidence infrastructure in Zimbabwe: Strengthening the institutional landscape to support Evidence-Informed Policy-Making.

Crowne Plaza Monomotapa Hotel, 5 February 2016, 2-5PM

Keynote Speaker: Professor J.C. Chetsanga, Chair - Zimbabwe Council on Higher Education

Master of Ceremony: Mr. Kumbirai Nhongo (Media Consultant)
Panelists

Dr. Gibson Chigumira (Executive Director, Zimbabwe Economic Policy Analysis & Research Unit, ZEPARU) –

Ms Virginia Muwanigwa (Director, Humanitarian Information Facilitation Support Centre)

✕ **Mrs Charity Zhanje, Director, Research & Development – Ministry of Industry & Commerce**

✕ **Mr. Artwell Kadungure (Senior Research Fellow, Training and Research Support Centre, TARSC)**

✕ **Moderator : Mr. Rejoice Ngwenya (Writer & Journalist)**

Concept:

ZeipNET has partnered the Africa Evidence Network in organizing the above forum that seeks to strengthen the evidence institutional landscape in Zimbabwe thus actively promoting the use of research evidence in policymaking. Effective research-to-policy systems rely on multiple players working together. These stakeholders include policymakers, researchers and research intermediaries, civic society, think-tanks, academia and the media. However, many times these different players work in isolation. This forum has been organized to look into the challenges and opportunities for building the evidence institutional landscape in Zimbabwe and improve processes that support the use of research evidence in policymaking in a more holistic way. Focus will be on issues on strengthening not only institutional processes for producing, engaging with and communicating research evidence but also creation of networks and platforms to bring together the various actors in the research-to-policy matrix. The aim is to build an active 'national evidence infrastructure' in Zimbabwe.