

## ESAMI / MSM Research Network

ESAMI and MSM have established a very strong research network through the Round Table Africa Project. Bringing together a group of thirty two high level experts under the DBA Programme, the research is carried out under the following themes.

- \* Agriculture
- \* Mining
- \* Tourism
- \* Bio fuels
- \* Supermarkets
- \* Public Services
- \* Manufacturing

**The researchers are using the value chain methodology in undertaking the research. In all the sectors, the researchers are looking at opportunities to upgrade the value chains with a view to:**

- Creating employment
- Contributing to poverty alleviation
- assisting women to enhance their socio-economic status, and
- assisting small scale producers to access markets in the region and overseas.

The researchers participated in a Pre-Roundtable seminar in Maastricht, Netherlands on May 21, 2008. During that seminar, a number of European experts in the areas of research were invited.

The research will be completed by 2010. Between now and then, the researchers will be involved in a number of conferences at which they will present papers.

The ultimate objective of the research is to come up with bankable proposals which will lead to European Investors setting up industries in Africa in the areas that were studied. The research is being conducted in the Eastern and Southern African region □

# ESAMI in Seychelles

**ESAMI conducted a 2 day top level workshop on Good Governance for Chief Executive Officers and Board Members of Public and Private organizations in January 2008. The ESAMI team was led by the Director General, Prof. Bonard Mwape.**

The Minister of Employment and Human Resources Development, Macsuzy Mondon officially opened the workshop. The Minister reiterated the importance of good governance in transforming and revitalizing public service delivery. She noted that the workshop was aimed at assisting participants to develop objectives, strategies and measures which would lead to a more accountable and transparent public service capable of winning the trust of citizens.

Continued the Minister, "Effective governance requires all employees to understand what is appropriate and lawful, established within a framework of administrative law and the public service code of conduct. Public sector governance is marked by the fact that it manages public funds in pursuit of public benefit. This requires public servants to have a focus on "service".

Earlier, the ESAMI Board Member for Seychelles, Mrs. Marina Confait who is also Head of the National Human Resource Development Council (NHRDC) had welcomed the ESAMI delegation and all the participants. She informed the participants that ESAMI was in the Seychelles to help strengthen the country's human resource capacity □