

SADC spurns Brazil, adopts DVB-T2



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It's official. Southern Africa will adopt the European standard for digital terrestrial broadcasting. In addition, the region has adopted the latest version of the standard, known as digital video broadcasting terrestrial version 2, or DVB-T2.



After months of uncertainty, a Southern African Development Community (SADC) special task team has settled the digital TV standards argument by choosing the upgraded European standard. In a statement following a three-day meeting of the SADC committee responsible for reviewing the digital TV migration standard, committee chairman Joel Kaapanda said the best standard for the region is DVB-T2.

Kaapanda said the committee based its decisions on several factors, including the looming international deadline for digital migration of 2015. The region's migration to from analogue to digital broadcasts was thrown in disarray earlier this year when SA's department of communications proposed a review.

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