

The Malawi Confederation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (MCCCI) is a partnership of enterprises and associations representing all sectors of the economy of Malawi. MCCCI is committed to the achievement of Malawi's socio-economic development through joint action and enlightened dialogue among private sector members and constituencies.

The MCCCI has been in the forefront of Malawi's private sector development efforts for over 100 years. Established in 1892, the first Chamber organization operated as a Chamber of Agriculture and Commerce to reflect the predominant focus of the economy on agriculture production and trade. The Chamber developed and provided important business services such as assisting members to have their own new coffee and tea crops tested in European markets and to locate and bring needed technical expertise into the country to support the growing business community.

In mid 1900's, as the business community prospered and diversified, the Chamber supported the emergence of merchants and trader's associations. With amalgamation of business-focused organizations under the umbrella of the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry, the Chamber was mandated to speak for all private sector concerns dealing with government on issues concerning trade and commerce, pricing policies, requirements for pre and post export financing, and sectoral impacts of government policies.

The Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry later on changed its name to Malawi Chamber of Commerce and Industry then in 2000 to Malawi Confederation of Chamber of Commerce and Industry when the regional chambers were established.

Since its establishment in 1892, MCCCI had been operating with only one office in Blantyre. Due to the rapid growth and diversification of businesses in the late 1990s, it was felt imperative for the Chamber to establish regional chambers with a view to reach out all businesses in all sectors of the economy regardless of size, nature and location.