



ANNEX III: RESOLUTIONS OT THE 8TH PAQI MEETING AND FORUM

NOVOTEL HOTEL, ABIDJAN- COTE D'IVOIRE: 5TH AUGUST 2016

	Agenda item/Discussion	Proposed Resolutions
1	Adoption of the meeting agenda	Resolution 1: PAQI Forum adopted the agenda of the meeting as presented.
2	Matters arising from the minutes of the 7th PAQI meeting held on 25th and 26th February 2016, Nairobi, Kenya	Resolution 2: PAQI Forum reviewed the matters arising from the resolutions of the 7 th PAQI JC meeting and noted the update on the progress of their implementation reported by the PAQI Coordinator.
3	Review the progress of implementation matrix for the strategic plan (PAQI aligned to AUC strategic plan)	Resolution 3: PAQI Forum noted the progress made on the implementation matrix for the PAQI Strategic Plan and resolved that PAQI institution should update the matrix with the activities they have undertaken by 31 August 2016.
4	Review of the collaboration between PAQI institutions.	Resolution 4: PAQI Forum resolved to collaborate with RECs in building capacity of the RECs in conformity assessment systems in order to have RECs with robust Quality Infrastructure (QI) that supports Africa's development and integration policies. Resolution 5: PAQI Forum resolved to intensify existing information sharing mechanism at national regional and continental levels and requested RECs to encourage their quality structures to join and participate in the activities of the relevant PAQI Institutions.
5	PAQI Stock taking and African Year of Quality Infrastructure	Resolution 6: PAQI Forum resolved to have African Year of Quality Infrastructure activities held at national, regional and continental levels with a theme that promotes QI. Mr. Reuben Gisore and Martin Kaiser were tasked with developing the theme by 31 st August.

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		<p>Resolution 7: PAQI Forum resolved that at the national level, PAQI will share tools and materials for creating awareness on QI.</p> <p>Resolution 8: PAQI Forum noted with appreciation the updates presented by the PAQI Chairperson on the mobilization session done with the East African Legislation Assembly (EALA) and PAQI resolved to hold similar activities in five more RECs (COMESA, ECOWAS, ECCAS, SADC and UMA) as part of the Africa Year of QI activities.</p> <p>Resolution 9: PAQI Forum resolved that at the continental level, PAQI activities will target the Pan African Parliament, mobilization and awareness raising for ministers in charge of trade, industry and minerals through the STC; and one activity by each PAQI institution.</p> <p>Resolution 10: PAQI resolved to produce QI awareness raising materials (pamphlets, logos, banners, video clips) with the assistance of its cooperating partner, PTB, and to send these materials to Member States and RECs. PAQI Institutions to provide to PTB information to be used on awareness raising materials by 31st August, 2016.</p> <p>Resolution 11: PAQI recognizes efforts made by African Member States in improving their Quality Infrastructure and encourages all African Member States including Cote d'Ivoire to strengthen their Quality Infrastructure institutions especially by paying membership and active technical participation in QI activities.</p>
6	PAQI contribution to the CFTA	<p>Resolution 12: PAQI Forum noted with appreciation the presentation on the PAQI contribution to the CFTA document presented by Dr. Oswald Chinyamakobvu and encourages PAQI members and RECs to continue making suggestions for further areas of collaboration in AU Programmes.</p>

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7	Presentation on the Comparative analysis of the TBT policies in African RECs	<p>Resolution 13: PAQI Forum noted with appreciation the presentation on the draft report on comparative analysis of the TBT policies in Africa presented by Dr. Oswald Chinyamakobvu. PAQI encourages QI stakeholders at national, REC and continental levels to support the work towards drafting of the CFTA TBT annex.</p> <p>Resolution 14: PAQI Forum appreciated the comments provided by PAQI institutions and RECs and requested PAQI Secretariat to re-circulate the document for further review.</p>
8	Date of the next meeting and Closing	<p>Resolution 15: PAQI Forum requested Tunisia to confirm the hosting of the next PAQI Forum meetings scheduled for August, 2017</p> <p>Word of thanks PAQI Forum extends its sincere appreciation to Mr. Koutoua Claude for the excellent work done in organizing and hosting PAQI JC and Forum meetings on behalf of AFSEC.</p>