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Establishment of the ECOWAS Quality and Industrial Database**

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## **1. Context**

The Regional Workshop on the Framework Document for the Establishment of the ECOWAS Quality and Industrial Database was held from 23 to 25 August 2017 at BOLTON WHITE HOTEL in Abuja, Nigeria.

## **2. Workshop participants**

Some representatives of countries and institutions attended the meeting (names and contacts details are given in the attached list of participants), namely:

- › The ECOWAS Commission;
- › The Federation of West African Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FEWACCI);
- › UNIDO (Regional Technical Coordination Unit (RTCU) team and representatives from Headquarters in Vienna);
- › The National Focal Points and National Technical Coordinators of Member States of ECOWAS and Mauritania;
- › Representatives of National Statistical Organizations ;
- › ECOWAS Commission resource persons ;
- › WAQSP experts.

## **3. Workshop agenda**

The work was carried out in accordance with the work agenda annexed.

## **4. Bureau**

The meeting was chaired by Mr. EDAMANAKA MAGNIMANTI from Togo. The chairperson was supported by two rapporteurs from the following countries: The Gambia (Mr. Samba BARROW, 1<sup>st</sup> rapporteur) and Benin (Mr. ALEXIS CAGNIUN FADO, 2<sup>nd</sup> rapporteur).

## **5. Official opening**

The opening ceremony took place on 22 August, 2017 and was marked by the speeches from UNIDO, EU and ECOWAS.

The Project Manager of WAQSP at UNIDO, Mr. Bernard BAU, in his speech, thanked the Nigeria Federal Government for hosting the three meetings of the WAQSP (Regional Steering Committee,

Enlarged Regional Steering Committee and the regional workshop on the ECOWAS database). He also thanked EU, ECOWAS and UEMOA Commission for their confidence for fifteen years for the implementation of quality programmes in the region. He also pointed out the main achievements of the WAQSP and then underlined the need to speed the operation of the ECOWAS Quality Infrastructure Scheme. He specified the challenges which are identified for the implementation of the WAQSP phase 2 and confirmed that UNIDO is committed to achieving all the expected results. He informed the meeting on the availability of the first directory of accredited CABs in West Africa. He reminded the meeting that this directory was one of the first output of the ECOWAS database under finalization with the support of the WAQSP. Regarding the sustainability of the ECOWAS Quality Infrastructure Scheme, he advocated for a strong involvement of the private sector, specifically the regional organizations FWAEO and FEWACCI; he recommended that they should work closely with ECOWAS commission to reach this objective.

In his speech, Mr. Kurt CORNELIS, the Head of Cooperation of the European Union Delegation (EUD) in Nigeria highlighted the main achievements of the WAQSP, namely the adoption of legal texts to set up the ECOWAS Quality Infrastructure, the capacity building of a pool of experts in the field of Food Safety, the adoption of several regional harmonized standards and the organization of the first edition of the ECOWAS Quality Award. He underlined the necessity to build a strong Quality Infrastructure to support business and private sector. He confirmed the continued commitment of EU to support West Africa at regional and national level in the field of Quality and Competitiveness of Value Chains through the 11th European Development Fund (EDF).

The ECOWAS Industrial and Private Sector Promotion Commissioner, Mr. Kalilou TRAORE, in his address, thanked all partners supporting the region in the field of quality infrastructure in the framework of the setting up of the economic integration of the ECOWAS region. He highlighted four challenges for the WAQSP and more widely the region in the field of QI which are: the finalization of the operation of the regional structures of quality, the adoption of the national quality policies, a strong commitment of the private sector in the development of quality management and the improvement of the awareness of consumers on Quality matters. He stressed that the success in addressing these four challenges will create the demand of quality and support the sustainability of the ECOWAS QI Scheme.

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On 23 August 2017, Mr. Aka KOUASSI, the Chief Technical Advisor of the WAQSP, indicated at the beginning of the workshop that this meeting concerns the examination of the documents proposed for the establishment of the ECOWAS quality and industrial database. He also recalled its main objective, which was to gather the opinions of the participants, notably on the collection, maintenance and sustainability of the database.

The Project Manager, Mr. Bernard BAU, insisted on the importance of the database in the WAQSP implementation. As countries do not always have updated statistical data, this work will make available reliable data and useful for industrial development.

The second day of the workshop was marked by the presence of the Commissioner for Industry and Promotion of the Private Sector, Mr. Kalilou TRAORE, who stressed the importance of the ECOWAS quality and industrial database. Based on the experience of previous databases, he also stressed the need to set up a sustainable and self-funding database. He ended his remarks by offering his encouragement to the participants whose expertise is useful for this work.

## **6. Communications during workshop**

The first communication focused on the overall overview on the quality program. Mr. Marcel GBAGUIDI, the Principal Technical Expert (PTE) of the WAQSP indicated that EU support started with the UEMOA Quality Programme (2001-2005). Taking into account encouraging results of this Programme, it has been extended to non UEMOA Countries and Mauritania (2007 – 2012).

The new Quality Programme, namely the West Africa Quality System Programme (WAQSP) has started in 2014 and will end in 2018. The WAQSP is supporting the implementation of the ECOWAS Quality Policy (ECOQUAL). It is covering ECOWAS Countries and Mauritania.

He stressed that many data have been generated during the previous Quality Programmes and will be generated during the WAQSP. They should be made available to citizens and Economic Operators; he reminded that the previous experiences to set up an effective database were not successful. Therefore, the database to set up needs to be built by taking into account the past failures encountered. In this spirit, a study for the setting up of the ECOWAS database on quality and industry has been developed by WAQSP, focusing on key success factors, among which sustainability factors.

Details of the PTE presentation is attached to this document.

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The second communication dealt with the presentation of the database. The expert, Mr. Gaspard MADJI from the ECOWAS Commission, explained the database project which is being setting up. The data required in the fields of quality and industry were also explained and reviewed.

Subsequent presentations focused on the different types of structural and industrial statistics produced by each Member State represented at this workshop.

The presentation was followed by a series of questions and answers.

## **7. Outcome of the deliberations**

The 24 variables in the field of quality have been reviewed; the final list of variables is attached to this report.

In the field of industry, the detailed level of variable have been reduced to allow countries to collect easily data; the 7 tables of the database have been updated accordingly.

The main recommendations below have been made:

- The WAQSP to start by setting up an effective and affordable database; this base will be progressively enriched;
- Assist technically the ECOWAS Member States for the collection and the establishment of quality and industrial database;
- Develop a synergy of actions between national structures involved in the issuing of data in Member States;
- Consider the exemption of tax charges as a new variable (Industrial variables);

## **8. Motion of thanks**

The attendees thanked the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, ECOWAS Commission, UEMOA Commission, EU and UNIDO for the organization of this meeting and for the warm welcome.

## **9. Closing ceremony**

The WAQSP Chief Technical Advisor, Mr. Aka KOUASSI, thanked and congratulated the delegates of the Member States for their participation in this workshop and for the quality of their participation. He also expressed his special thanks to the Commission (Directorate in charge of Statistics) for the provision of experts to support the WAQSP team in setting up the quality and industrial database.

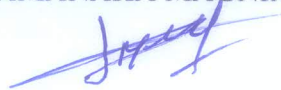
The Programme Manager (PM), Mr. Bernard BAU, thanked all participants for their commitment to the success of this workshop.

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Finally, the PM encouraged all stakeholders to finalize the work achieved so far in this field. He also wished to have more women involved in the implementation of this ambitious project.

Chair Person:

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## 10. Annexes

### Annex 1: Final list of attendees

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<b>Countries</b>	<b>Attendees names</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Phone/email</b>
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## Annex 2: Final work agenda



<b>Time</b>	<b>Activities</b>	<b>Keynote Speakers</b>
<b>Day 1</b>		
8 :30 – 9 :00	Welcome of participants	
9 :00 – 9 :30	Opening of the regional meeting	Minister in charge of Industry or his/her representative, ECOWAS Commission, EU, UNIDO
9 :30 – 9 :45	Set up of the bureau and adoption of the work program Training sessions of the working group	Plenary
9 :45 – 10 :15	Presentation of the West Africa Quality System Programme (WAQSP) Recall of the objectives of the meeting	WAQSP
10:15-10:45	Presentation of: (i) the ECOWAS quality and industrial database, (ii) the metadata and the filing guide for the quality and industrial database. Discussions on the presentation	WAQSP
10 :45- 11 :00	<b>Coffee-Break</b>	
11 :30-12 :45	Presentation of quality indicators	WAQSP
12 :45- 14 :00	<b>Lunch</b>	
14 :00-17 :30	Discussions and validation of quality indicators	Country representatives
17 :30-17 :45	<b>Coffee Break</b>	

<b>Day 2</b>		
9 :00-9 :30	Presentation of: (i) the ECOWAS industrial database, (ii) the metadata and the filing guide for the quality and industrial database. Discussions on the presentation	WAQSP Country representatives
9 :30-10 :30	Discussions on the presentation	Country representatives
10 :30-10 :45	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
10 :45-13 :30	Group work with restitution by groups and validation of the database and tools for its implementation.	Work group
13 :00- 14 :00	<b>Lunch</b>	
14 :00- 14 :30	Group work with restitution by groups and validation of the database and tools for its implementation.	Work group
14 :30- 15 :00	Group work with restitution by groups and validation of the database and tools for its implementation.	Work group
15 :00- 15 :30	Group work with restitution by groups and validation of the database and tools for its implementation.	Work group
15 :30- 16 :00	Group work with restitution by groups and validation of the database and tools for its implementation.	Work group
16 :00-17 :30	Group work with restitution by groups and validation of the database and tools for its implementation.	Work group
17 :30-18 :00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	

<b>Day 3</b>		
09 :00-09 :30	Group work with restitution by groups and validation of the database and tools for its implementation.	Rapporteur of the working group
09 :30-10 :30	Group work with restitution by groups and validation of the database and tools for its implementation.	Rapporteur of the working group
10 :30-10 :45	<b>Coffee break</b>	
10 :45-12 :00	Group work with restitution by groups and validation of the database and tools for its implementation.	Rapporteur of the working group
12 :00-12 :30	Group work with restitution by groups and validation of the database and tools for its implementation.	Rapporteur of the working group
12 :30- 13 :00	Group work with restitution by groups and validation of the database and tools for its implementation.	Rapporteur of the working group
13 :00- 14 :00	<b>Lunch</b>	
14 :00- 15 :30	Elaboration of the draft report of the regional meeting	Rapporteurs of the countries and WAQSP team
15 :30- 16 :30	Adoption of the draft report of the meeting Discussions on the next steps	Plenary
16 :30- 16 :45	Collection of industrial electronic data from countries	WAQSP Experts
16 :45- 17 :00	Close of workshop	WAQSP UNIDO
<b>17 :00</b>	<b>End of Workshop</b>	

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## Annex 3: Comments on tables relating to the industrial variables



Tables	Recommendations
TABLE-2_stat_industry_current	<p><b><u>Extractive activities</u></b> Consider only Level 2 data</p> <p><b><u>Manufacturing</u></b> Consider only Level 2 data</p> <p><b><u>Production, distribution of electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning</u></b> Consider only Level 2 data</p> <p><b><u>Water production, sewage treatment, waste treatment and pollution</u></b> Consider only Level 2 data</p>
TABLE-3_stat_industry_constant	idem
TABLE-4_price_indices_production	<p><b><u>Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices</u></b> Delete the 2 rows (158 &amp; 159) of consumer spending</p>
TABLE-5_export_import	-
TABLE-6_energy_environ	<p><b><u>Energy</u></b> Delete the sub-components of the number of subscribers</p> <p><b><u>Costs of purchase land</u></b> To be limited to the components: residence, agriculture, industrial exploitation Break down row 481 Consider economic capital and other major cities</p>
TABLE-7_employment_wages	<p>Delete categorization of employees Delete the row 2003 Maintain the same classification at the public as at the private level by maintaining the social security contributions of the employer and employees</p> <p>Employees actual pensions and non-pension categorization to be change to pension and other contributions</p> <p>The component on social security to be limited to employees or employers only</p>