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The Pan-African Quality Assurance and Accreditation Framework Where are we now?

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Harmonisation → PAQAF

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Recognition of Higher Education Qualifications (ADDIS CONVENTION)

**Mobility of Students and Staff
(Intra-Africa Academic Mobility)**

COMPARABILITY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- African Continental Qualifications Framework
- African Credit Transfer System

**Development of Joint curriculum
(Tuning/harmonization Project)**

Harmonised QA Systems and Procedures



PAQAF

Features of PAQAF

P	AQRM for Institutional Evaluation		H	
	African Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance (ASG-QA)			A
	Capacity Building Trainings in Quality Assurance for National QA Agencies			
A	Addis Convention	ACQF	A	
	QA Register	ACTS		
F	Pan African QA and Accreditation Agency			
CESA → Agenda 2063				

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Pan African QA and Accreditation Framework

Instruments

- African Standards and Guidelines for QA
- African Continental Qualifications Framework
- African Quality Rating Mechanism
- Addis Convention on Recognition of Qualifications
- African Credit Accumulation and Transfer System
- Continental Register for QA agencies and quality assured higher education institutions

Implementing Agency

A Pan-African QA and Accreditation Agency

Implementation of PAQAF

- **The Development of African Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance is Finalised**
- **Training Course in Quality Assurance Provided**
- **Institutional Evaluations of 15 African HEIs Undertaken Using AQRM**
- **Consultancy Visits and QA Agency Reviews Made to 8 Countries in Africa**
- **Discussions Underway on Legal Framework for Setting a Continental Accreditation Agency**
- **Proposal Made to Establish African Credit Transfer System (Tuning Student Workload Survey)**

Main Action Lines of PAQAF

- **Facilitate Collaboration and Networking Between Quality Assurance and Accreditation Agencies**
- **Domesticate ASG-QA at National/Regional Levels**
- **Initiate Organizational Set-up and legal framework of a Continental Accreditation Agency**
- **Initiate Full Scale Implementation of AQRM on-line Tool in African Universities, Coordinated by AAU**
- **Advance the Draft Proposal on Development of an African Credit Transfer System (Tuning Project)**
- **Initiate the Development of an African Continental Qualifications Framework Based on Existing National and Regional Qualifications Frameworks**

Main Action Lines of PAQAF

- **REGISTER** of Quality Assurance Agencies and Regulatory Bodies in Africa

Registration Process

- **Self-evaluation** produced by the QA agency
- **Site visit** by independent review team
- **External review report** according to ASG-QA
 - Information about trustworthy QA agencies and their accredited HEIs/Programmes
- **Registration** of quality assurance experts (Data)
- **Advocacy** for ratification of **Addis Convention** (6 already ratified and some are on process)

Way Forward

Increased engagement with key stakeholders

- National QA Agencies
- Ministries of Education
- University Rectors
- RECs

Next Phase of HAQAA

- Identifying Major Priorities and Activities

Technical Consultation Workshop on Set-up of Pan-African Quality Assurance and Accreditation Agency
13 – 14 December 2018 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

THANK YOU