

FINAL HAQAA2 EVENT

Harmonisation, Accreditation and Quality Assurance in African Higher Education: Accomplishments and next steps

Accra, Ghana | 6-9 December 2022

ENG-FR-PT interpretation provided | Event will be streamed at [AAU TV](#)

OBJECTIVES

The HAQAA2 initiative has been an ambitious endeavour to promote African continental harmonization in quality assurance, as well as African regional integration in higher education more generally, in line with the ambitions of the 'PAQAF' framework of the African Union and the Continental Education Strategy for Africa (CESA). A continuance of HAQAA1, the initiative has been adjusted and re-positioned over the past 3 years, responding and adapting to the Covid crisis and tackling new, important policy themes where required. The initiative has been structured around three core action areas: Capacity building, training, and support for CESA (the policy component). It has engaged diverse stakeholders from the higher education sector at institutional, country, and regional levels. The final HAQAA3 event is a showcase event, tying together all of these elements.

The objectives are:

- 📌 Promote and disseminate the results of training and capacity building done in IQA and EQA
- 📌 Discuss the future of the African Standards and Guidelines (ASG-QA) on this basis, as well as continued capacity building and training needs
- 📌 Present a road map and clear vision for the future set-up of the Pan-African Quality Assurance and Accreditation Agency, according to a major stakeholder consultation
- 📌 Present a road map for capacity building for coherent higher education data generation in Africa
- 📌 Present a road map for how the African Credit Transfer System should be taken forward in Africa, and concrete actions that can be taken at institutional, national and regional level
- 📌 Discuss the overall policy impacts of HAQAA2, both towards African regions and towards the African Union and the CESA agenda.

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OVERVIEW

DAY 1 (PRE-DAY)

HAQAA2 Advisory Board + Parallel session: National discussion on ACTS (Ghana)

DAY 2

The ASG-QA and internal quality assurance (Training and dissemination projects): *Poster session and expo for dissemination projects*

DAY 3

The ASG-QA and external quality assurance (Agency reviews and consultancy/ the future of the PAQAA)

DAY 4

HAQAA and policy impacts on harmonization (ACTS and next steps, regional integration, data for policy, and CESA)

PARTICIPATION

Stakeholder type

- 👉 HAQAA2 Implementing Team and strategic regional partners (networks and associations)
- 👉 ASG-QA Dissemination project coordinators
- 👉 HAQAA2 Advisory Board members
- 👉 8 Countries participating in agency reviews and consultancy visits
- 👉 Experts/evaluators from agency reviews
- 👉 ASG-QA Task Force
- 👉 Technical Working Group - TWG - members for the Pan-African Agency (PAQAA)
- 👉 ACTS Task Force members
- 👉 PDU Development Team
- 👉 Other relevant organizations, Ghanaian universities and authorities

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PROGRAMME

DAY 1: 6 DECEMBER - PRE-DAY

9:00 TO 12:00 ACTS NATIONAL WORKSHOP IN GHANA








Hosted at AAU premises in a hybrid format: 25 Ghanaian university and government stakeholders on site

14:00 TO 17:00 HAQAA ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Hosted at AAU premises - with interpretation (French-ENG)


DAY 2: 7 DECEMBER THE ASG-QA AND INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE

9:15 OPENING SESSION AND WELCOME

-  **Olusola Oyewole**, Secretary General, Association of African Universities (AAU)
-  **Irchad Razaaly**, Head of Delegation, EU Delegation to Ghana
-  **Elizabeth Colucci**, Director of Global Projects and HAQAA2 Coordinator, OBREAL Global
-  **Stefan Bienefeld**, Head of Transnational Education and Cooperation Programmes, *
-  German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
-  **Douglas Blackstock**, President, European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA)
-  **Hon. Dr. Yaw Osei Adutwum**, Ministry of Education, Ghana

10:00 ADDRESS FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION COMMISSION

“HAQAA2 as a flagship for EU-Africa cooperation- Accomplishments and future investments”

-  **Claire Herrmann**, Directorate for Education and Culture (DG EAC), European Commission







10:30 ADDRESS FROM AFRICAN UNION COMMISSION:

The contribution of HAQAA2 to CESA and the PAQAF

-  **Caseley Olabode Stephens**, African Union Commission

11:00 OFFICIAL PHOTO AND COFFEE BREAK

11:30 TRAINING FOR IQA - APPROACHES, SUCCESSES AND LESSONS LEARNED

-  **Martin Oosthuizen**, CEO, SARUA (virtual)
-  **Gaspard Banyankimbona**, Executive Secretary, IUCEA
-  **Youhansen Eid**, President NAQAAE, Egypt (virtual)
-  **Zakare Lire**, CAMES
-  **Lamine Gueye**, Secretary General, ANAQ-Sup, Senegal
-  **Maria-Luisa Chicote**, President, CNAQ, Mozambique

Chair: Stefan Bienefeld, Head of Transnational Education and cooperation Programmes, DAAD

12:30 DISSEMINATION PROJECTS AS A MEANS TO STRENGTHEN QA CULTURE IN HEIS

Overview of the 14 projects and first findings of the overarching report by Moni Naidoo and Emile Zambo




Chair: Sarah Lang, Project Manager, DAAD

13:15 LUNCH

14:30 HAQAA2 DISSEMINATION PROJECTS - POSTER SESSION


15:30 IQA TRAINING NEEDS FOR THE FUTURE

Input presentations:

-  **Devarajen Venethethan**, Head of Quality Assurance, University of Technology, Mauritius
-  **Fatoumata Keita**, Université des Lettres et des Sciences Humaines de Bamako, Mali
-  **Beatrice Odera-Kwach**, Commission for University Education, Kenya

Chair: Marie Eglantine Juru, Association of African Universities (AAU)

16:45 AN UPDATE ON THE AQRM AS A TOOL FOR AFRICAN INSTITUTIONAL SELF-ASSESSMENT

-  **Olusola Oyewole**, Secretary General, AAU

17:00 CLOSE

GALA DINNER

DAY 3: 8 DECEMBER: THE ASG-QA AND EXTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE

9:00 KEYNOTE: HIGHER EDUCATION INNOVATION IN A RAPIDLY CHANGING CONTEXT: THE IMPORTANCE OF BUILDING QA SYSTEMS

 **Fred Swaniker**, Founder, African Leadership Group




9:30 OVERVIEW PRESENTATION: AGENCY REVIEWS AND CONSULTANCY VISITS AS A MEANS TO PROMOTE AND IMPLEMENT THE ASG-QA IN AFRICA

Presentation of the overarching report: Amine Allal, Algeria/ Task-Force ASG-QA

Chair: Douglas Blackstock, President, ENQA




10:30 COFFEE BREAK

11:00 QA AGENCY SELF-ASSESSMENT AND EXTERNAL ASSESSMENT: LESSONS LEARNED AND TRAINING NEEDS FOR THE FUTURE

-  **Mohamed Lemine Haless** AMAQ-ES, Mauritania
-  **Maria Chimpolo**, INAAREES, Angola
-  **Abdel Kader Keïta**, AMAQ-SUP, Mali

Chair: Lamine Gueye, Executive Secretary, ANAQ-Sup, Senegal

11:45 CONDUCTING AGENCY REVIEWS AND CONSULTANCY VISITS IN AFRICA: TOWARDS A SUSTAINABLE PROCESS: IMPRESSIONS FROM EXPERTS/REVIEWERS

-  **El Mokhtar Bakkour**, Morocco
-  **Alexis Vermote**, France (online)
-  **Nkiama Ekisawa Constant**, DR Congo

Chair: TBC

12:45 ANNOUNCING THE ASG-QA USER'S GUIDE: A NEW TOOL FOR UNIVERSITIES AND QA AGENCIES




Presentation: Florence Lenga, ASG-QA Task Force, Kenya

Chair: Jefy Mukora, ASG-QA Task Force, Mozambique

13:15 LUNCH

14:15 FURTHER DISSEMINATION OF THE ASG-QA WITHIN QA AGENCIES: IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Introductory presentation regarding QA agency network dissemination project + discussion with participants

-  **Abdou Cissé**, RAFANAQ
-  **Abdallah Baguma**, EAQAN
-  **Jeffy Mukora**, CNAQ

Chair: Saturnin Enzonga Yoca, CAMES

15:00 UPDATE ON PAQAA AND NEXT STEPS

Presentation of the recommendations of the Technical Working Group + discussion



Chair: Ana Maria Nhampule, Co-Chair, Technical Working Group (TWG) for the PAQAA

16:30 CLOSE

DAY 4: 9 DECEMBER: HAQAA AND POLICY IMPACTS ON HARMONISATION

9:30 HAQAA2'S CONTRIBUTION TO SITUATING QUALITY ASSURANCE IN REGIONAL INTEGRATION DYNAMICS

Testimonials from authors and moderators of the HAQAA2 MOOC on comparative regional integration in HE and discussion on impact

-  **Ramon Torrent**, President, OBREAL Global (virtual)
-  **Kibrome Mekonnen**, Author of the materials and members of the MOOC team

Chair: Olusola Oyewole, Secretary General, AAU

10:30 HAQAA2'S ACADEMIC CONTRIBUTION TO CESA

Presentation of the CESA Book Series

Chair and presenter: Damtew Teferra, Director for Research and Programmes, AAU

11:00 COFFEE BREAK

11:30 A ROAD MAP FOR ENHANCED DATA COLLECTION IN AFRICA: THE PDU

-  **Nodumo Dhlamini**, Director for Communications, AAU
-  **Kibrome Mekonnen**, PDU Development Team

Chair: Nicolas Patrici, Director for Strategy, OBREAL Global

Regional Break-out groups to discuss future capacity building needs:

- **Break-out group 1:**
East Africa - **Chair:** Ben Ruhinda, IUCEA
- **Break-out group 2:**
Francophone Africa - **Chair:** Bernard Zuppinger, AUF
- **Break-out group 3:**
SADC - **Chair:** Nico Jooste, SARUA
- **Break-out group 4:**
North Africa - **Chair:** Wail Benjalloun, UNIMED

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14:00 MAKING THE ACTS A REALITY: NEXT STEPS

Short presentation of the 'ACTS relaunch activities of HAQAA2' and discussion

Chair and presentation: Pablo Beneitone, OBREAL Global

Commentary: Olusola Oyewole, Secretary General, AAU

15:00 CLOSING SESSION - HAQAA2: A SYNTHESIS

-  AAU, OBREAL Global, DAAD, ENQA
-  Claire Hermann, DG EAC, European Commission

15:45 CLOSE