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**EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY**

**REGIONAL EAC WTO TBT MEETING ON NOTIFICATION AND PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS**

6th – 8th August 2014

*Arusha, Tanzania*

**PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME**

**DAY 1 – WEDNESDAY, 6th AUGUST 2014**

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| **Time** | **Activity** |
| 08.30 – 9.00 hrs | Registration/Documentation |
| 09.00 – 10.30 hrs | Opening of the meeting* Constitution of the bureau
* Adoption of agenda and programme
* Presentation of the Background Paper
* Introduction of USAID Standards Alliance Project
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| **10.30 – 11.00 hrs** | **Health Break** |
| 11.00 – 13.00 hrs | Presentation of National Enquiry Points Status and Capacity Issues* *Burundi*
* *Kenya (Status before introduction of ENS)*
* *Rwanda*
* *Uganda*
* *Tanzania*
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| **13.00 – 14.30 hrs** | **Lunch Break** |
| * 1. – 17.00 hrs
 | Presentation of KEBS Electronic Notification System Hands on Exercise on Registration and Utilization of ENS on day to day management of WTO TBT Notifications  |
| **17.00 – 17.30 hrs** | **Health Break/End of Day 1** |

**DAY 2 – THURSDAY 7TH AUGUST 2014**

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| **Time** | **Activity** |
| 9.00 – 9.30 | * “The U.S. Enquiry Point experience”
	+ Kent Shigetomi, USTR

Q&A/Discussion |
| 09.30 – 10.00 hrs | Strategy for Replication of ENS in other EAC Partner States and program of activity |
| 10.00 - 10.45 | TBT Forum |
| **10.45 - 11.00 hrs** | **Health Break** |
| 11.00 – 13.00 hrs | **Public Consultation Part I “Public consultation in the regulatory process”*** “State-of-play panel discussion: regulatory processes in the EAC”
* Presentations by EAC Partner States
* Q&A Moderated by Kent Shigetomi, USTR and Shagufta Ahmed, OIRA
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| **13.00 – 14.00 hrs** | **Lunch Break** |
| 14.00 – 16.00 hrs | **Public Consultation Part I “Public consultation in the regulatory process”*** “ENS, public consultation and international trade commitments”
	+ Kent Shigetomi, USTR
	+ Q&A/Discussion
* “Public consultation and transparency in the U.S. regulatory process”
	+ Shagufta Ahmed, OIRA
	+ Q&A/Discussion
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| **16.00 – 16.15 hrs** | **Health Break** |
| 16.15 – 18.00 hrs | **Public Consultation Part I “Public consultation in the regulatory process”*** “Preparing an effective comment on a proposed technical regulation”
* “Submitting public comments on domestic regulations”
	+ Shagufta Ahmed, OIRA
* “Case study for an effective comment ona domestic regulation”
	+ Christopher Lindsay, IAPMO
* “Guidelines for comments on TBT notifications”
	+ Kent Shigetomi, USTR
* “Case study for an effective comment on a TBT notification”
	+ Teresa Cendrowska, ASTM International
* Q&A/Discussion
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**DAY 3 – FRIDAY 8TH AUGUST 2014**

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| **Time** | **Activity** |
| 08.30 – 10.30 hrs | **Public consultation workshop Part II “Public Consultation and Consensus Process in Standards Development”*** “State-of-play panel discussion: standards development in the EAC”
	+ Presentation by EAC Partner States
	+ Q&A Moderated by Teresa Cendrowska, ASTM International and Christopher Lindsay, IAPMO
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| **10.30 - 11.00 hrs** | **Health Break** |
| 11.00 – 13.00 hrs | **Public consultation workshop Part II “Public Consultation and Consensus Process in Standards Development”*** “Guidelines and tools for public consultation”
* “ANSI, the U.S. standards system and the ANSI Essential Requirements”
	+ Madeleine McDougall, ANSI
* “Implementation of stakeholder outreach and public consultation”
	+ Christopher Lindsay, IAPMO
		- IAPMO’s lessons in water/sanitation development from Asia
	+ Teresa Cendrowska, ASTM International
		- ASTM MoUs with EAC Nations and benefits/value to signatories
* Q&A/Discussion
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| **13.00 – 14.00 hrs** | **Lunch Break** |
| 14.00 – 15.00 hrs | **Public consultation workshop Part II “Public Consultation and Consensus Process in Standards Development”*** “Potential outcomes of public participation in standards development ”
* Teresa Cendrowska, ASTM International
	+ ASTM Training programs and electronic tools as a resource
* Christopher Lindsay, IAPMO
	+ IAPMO’s professional development and product testing/certification
* Q&A/Discussion
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| 15.00 - 15.30 | * “Closing remarks and recommendations for the way forward”
	+ Moderators: Madeleine McDougall, ANSI and Bernard Kagira, EATH
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| 15.30 – 16.30hrs | Report Writing and Adoption of the Report |
| **16.30 – 17.00 hrs** | **Health Break/End of Day 3** |