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**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

**Experts Meeting on  
Quality Rating Mechanism  
For Higher Education in Africa  
7<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> May 2007  
ACCRA, GHANA**

**(Hosted by the Association of African Universities)**

**Draft Agenda and Programme**

## AGENDA

1. Arrival and registration
2. Welcome Remarks
3. Opening Remarks
4. Introduction of Participants, presentation and adoption of Agenda
5. Contextualisation of the workshop within the **Plan of Action for the Second Decade of Education in Africa**
6. Presentation and discussion of Conceptual Issues Related to Quality in Higher Education
7. Presentation of Status of Rating Mechanisms for Higher Education Programmes in Africa: An Overview
8. Presentation and discussion of A Proposed Quality Mechanism for African Higher Education Institutions and Programmes
9. Group sessions
10. Presentation of Group Reports
11. Group Photograph
12. Presentation and adoption of final report
13. Discussion of Way Forward
14. Closing Remarks

## PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES

TIME	ACTIVITY
<b>DAY ONE: MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2007</b>	
0830-0900	Arrival and Registration <b>Ms. Woudase, Dr Vambe and AAU representative</b>
0900-0915	<b>Opening Session</b> Welcome Remarks by Prof. Akilagpa Sawyerr, Secretary General, AAU  Opening Remarks by Dr Beatrice K. Njenga, Acting Director, Department of Human Resources, Science and Technology
0915-0930	Introduction of participants Presentation and adoption of agenda
0930-0945	Contextualisation of the workshop within the <b>Plan of Action for the Second Decade of Education 2006-2015</b> <b>Dr. B K. Njenga</b>
0945-0955	Discussion for clarification
0955-1015	Conceptual Issues Related to Quality in Higher Education <b>Presentation By Mr. Neil Butcher</b>
1015 -1045	Discussion on Conceptual Issues <b>Facilitator: Prof. Sawyerr</b>
1045 -1100	<b>TEA/COFFEE BREAK</b>
1100-1130	Status of Rating Mechanisms for Higher Education Programmes in Africa: An Overview <b>Presentation by Mr. Neil Butcher</b>
1130 – 1145	Discussion for clarification
1145 – 1215	A proposed Quality Assessment Mechanism for African Higher Education Institutions and Programmes <b>Presentation by Mr. Neil Butcher</b>
1215 - 1245	Discussion
1245 – 1300	Guidelines for Group sessions <b>Mr. Neil Butcher</b>
1300 -1430	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>
1430 - 1630	Group Sessions

1630 -1645	<b>TEA/COFFEE BREAK</b>
1645 -1800	Group Sessions Continued
<b>DAY TWO: TUESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2007</b>	
0830-1030	Finalisation of Group discussions and preparation of Group Reports
1030 - 1045	<b>TEA/COFFEE BREAK</b>
1045 - 1245	Presentation of Group Reports
1245 - 1415	Group Photographs
1300 -1430	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>
1430 - 1500	Presentation and adoption of final report
1500 - 1530	Discussion of Way Forward
1530-1545	Closing Remarks <b>Dr. Njenga; Prof. Sawyerr</b>