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East Africa Workshop on the Development of National and Regional Regulations and Standards on Lead in Paints

“Progress on Draft Tanzania Standards”

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Quick facts about EAC – trade aspect

- A home of more than 140 million people.
- Intra-African trade reached \$130.1 billion in 2011, representing 11.3 per cent of African trade with the world.
- The share of Africa in total trade was highest in the East African Community (EAC).

Regional block	Share in intra-Africa trade within the period 2007 to 2011
EAC	23.1 %
SADC	16.4%
Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD)	14.3%
ECOWAS	14.2%
COMESA	13.3%
Community of Sahel-Saharan States (CEN-SAD)	10.2%
Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS)	9.3%
Arab Maghreb Union (AMU)	5%

NOTE: info with exclusion of Southern Sudan

Source UNCTADstat database



East African Community

One People One Destiny

The EAC Common market and the issues of harmonization of standards



■ ARTICLE 35 Public Procurement

- The Partner States shall not discriminate against suppliers, products or services originating from other Partner States, for purposes of achieving the benefits of free competition in the field of public procurement.

- National Preferential Treatment **x**

Premise

One Standard : One Test : One Acceptance



In a EAC marketplace, the objective of the harmonizing standardization process rely on a single, technically valid and globally relevant standard with a single test of conformance to that standard. This will allow products and services to be distributed for regional commerce without change or modification.

***One People – One Standard – One Test – One Destiny
– Accepted by All***

Progress on Tanzania National adoption of harmonized EA Standards

- As indicated in the *Principles and Procedures for the Development of East African Standards (EAS)*, sub clause 7.1.6.8 state that;
 - Adoption of EAS shall be in accordance to the provision of Article 15 (1) of EAC SQMT Act, 2006; provide that ***within six month of the declaration of an EAS the partner state shall adopt without deviation from the approved text of the standard, the EAS as a national standard and withdraw any existing national standard with similar scope and purpose.***
- With that spirit, Tanzania Bureau of Standards has adopted all paints harmonized EA standard which was presented to the BoD for approved on July 2016.
- In connection to that also TBS has finalized 20 standards in the paint industry on July 2016.
- **NOTE: Amount of lead is 100 ppm -> EAS and 90 ->TZS**



Status of EAC harmonization of Paints & Related Products Standards & Adoption to TZS

- The EAC Sectoral Council on Trade, Investment, Industry, Finance and Investment (SCTIFI) convened on May 2016 and declared eleven (11) under the EASC/TC/070: Paints and Varnishes and Related Products :
- TBS has adopted the aforementioned standards into TZS.

Harmonized EAS	Adopted TZS
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) EAS 848 Water thinned priming paints for wood – specification2) EAS 849 Silk (sheen) emulsion paint for interior use – specification3) EAS 850 Matt solvent-borne paint for interior and exterior use –spec4) EAS 851 Matt, emulsion paint for interior and exterior use – spec5) EAS 852 air-dried roofing paint – specification6) EAS 853 Auto refinishing paint – Spec – Part 2 Nitrocellulose resin based7) EAS 854 Thinner for nitrocellulose resin based paints and lacquers –spec8) EAS 855 Thinner for synthetic resin-based auto-refinishing paints – spec9) EAS 856 – 1 Two pack acrylic resin-based auto refinishing paint – spec10) EAS 856 – 2 Thinner for acrylic resin based auto-refinishing paints -spec	<p>All harmonized EAS have been adopted to TZS + other 20 news standards on paints has been developed at national level which put the limit of 90ppm on total lead</p>

Subsequent steps in standardization

- Pre implementation workshop proposed to be held on *October 2016*
- Inter-agency collaboration preceded by interagency meetings proposed to be held on *October 2016*.
- Dissemination of the information on new standards on lead in paints, *continuous exercise*.
- Continuing collaboration with other stakeholders e.g NGOs, testing labs, manufacturers etc , *continuous exercise*.

Key successful factors

- Legal infrastructure which ensures intergovernmental collaboration;
 - TBS through its Standards Act of 2009
 - NEMC through Environmental Management Act Cap 191
 - In order to ensure that the company activities is obliged to meet the environmental requirements as per Environmental Management Act Cap 191 and Environmental Impact Assessment and Audit Regulations, 2005 (G.N NO. 349 of 2005)
 - GCLA through *The industrial and consumer chemicals (management and control) act, 2003*
- Collaboration with other stakeholders, e.g NGOs,
- Readiness of paint manufacturers





Thanks for your attention!