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External Stakeholder Engagement: CGCSA

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- Origin of SADCSTAN & ARSO
- Why SABS/SA involvement in SADCSTAN & ARSO?
- Objectives
- SADC TBT Structure
- SADCSTAN & ARSO Operations
- Current Committees
- New Committee Proposal

- **ARSO:** African Organisation for Standardization
- **CACO:** Conformity Assessment Committee (at ARSO level)
- **CASCO:** Conformity Assessment Committee (at ISO level)
- **COCO:** Consumer Committee (at ARSO level)
- **COPOLCO:** Consumer Policy Committee (at ISO level)
- **SADC:** Southern African Development Community
- **SADCA:** Southern African Development Community Cooperation in Accreditation
- **SADC MEL:** Southern African Development Community Cooperation in Legal Metrology
- **SADC MET:** Southern African Development Community Cooperation in Metrology
- **SADC STAN:** Southern African Development Community Cooperation in Standardisation
- **SADCTBT-EG:** Southern African Development Community Technical Barrier to Trade Expert Group
- **SADCTBT-SC:** Southern African Development Community Technical Barrier to Trade Stakeholder Committee
- **SADCTRLC:** Southern African Development Community Technical Regulations Liaison Committee
- **SADCTBT:** Southern African Development Community Technical Barrier to Trade

- Established by the Council of Ministers in 1997 in Port Louis, Mauritius
- Member States represented by their respective NSBs/Ministries
- SADC Office based in Gaborone, Botswana
- 16 SADC Member States
- AGMs held every March. Meeting of Ministers of trade
- At least two SMC & ExCo meetings annually
- Mainly funded by donors (PTB Germany; USAID & EU)

- Established by the AU in 1977
- Member States represented by their respective NSBs/Ministries
- Office based in Nairobi, Kenya
- 39 AU Member States
- AGMs held in June every year
- At least two Council meetings a year
- Funded through NSB membership fees, THCs mainly funded by donors

- Regional integration
- Facilitate trade & economic growth for SA
- Broader market access
- Easy product movement - eliminates retesting
- Regional/Sub-regional political relations
- **Government** commitment to be supported by its agencies (i.e. cooperation agreements)
- Conducive environment for businesses to operate

- To promote the coordination of Standardisation activities and services in the region/sub-region with the purpose of achieving harmonization of standards in support of the objectives of SADC protocol on trade /AU economic development objectives.
- To support the AfCFTA and Africa's competitiveness globally.



- Operates in support of the SADC Protocol on Trade
- 1/7 SQAM structure: SADCSTAN – SABS
 - SADCMET – NMISA
 - SADCA – SANAS
 - SADCTRLC – NRCS
 - SADCMEL – NRCS
 - SADCTBTSC – Stakeholder Committee
 - SADCTBTEG – Expert Group
- Functions and rules of all the cooperating structures are laid down in Article 18 of the SADC TBT Annex of 2014

- Promotes regional cooperation in the development of harmonized standards
- Facilitates exchange of information on existing standards and draft standards among members
- Facilitates the adoption of regional/sub-regional standards
- Facilitates the adoption of a common position by members in regional and international standardization bodies
- Promotes the adoption of international standards of mutual interest in the region.
- Harmonisation of National standards and Endorsement of international standards

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- TC 1: Construction
- TC 2: Automotive & Transport
- TC 3: Food & Agri. Products
- TC 4: Electro-technical
- TC 6: Health & Safety
- TC 8: Hospitality (Secretariat)
- TC 11: QMS & Conformity Assessment
- TC 13: GIS (Secretariat)
- TC 14: Water (Secretariat)
- TC 15: Chemicals & Chemical Products (Secretariat)
- TC 16 Energy
- TC 18 : African Traditional Medicine (Secretariat)
- TC 19: Cosmetics, Soaps and Detergents
- TC 20: Financial Services (Secretariat)
- TC 21: Paper
- TC 22: Plastics;
- TC 23: Leather and Textile.
- TC 24: Societal and Resilience (Secretariat)
- Transport Management (Secretariat)

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- THC 1: Basic & General Standards
- THC 2: Agricultural & Food Products
- THC 3: Building & Construction (Secretariat)
- THC 4: Mechanical Engineering & Metallurgy
- THC 5: Chemistry & Chemical Engineering
- THC 6: Electro-technical
- THC 7: Textile & Leather
- THC 8: Transport & Communication
- THC 9: Environmental Management
- THC 10 Energy and Natural Resources
- THC 11: QMS
- THC 12: Services
- THC 13: African Traditional Medicine (Chairperson)

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Status: COCO launched in 2014

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Status: Not in existence

- Be sure of the technical area in which you want to participate (e.g. COPOLCO – SABSTC 007)
- Contact the SABS and notify them of the technical area of your choice
- Nominate a member of your organisation to represent you in the SABS TC
- The SABS will respond with membership forms to be completed. Chose O or P Membership status
- Return the duly completed form to the SABS for processing
- The SABS will respond and provide all relevant information through a specific Committee Administrator
- Then participate actively and passionately

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THANK YOU!
SABS team