



## Strengthening the capacity of RBS conformity assessment services towards Accreditation

### WORKSHOP



**TBT PROGRAMME**  
OVERCOMING TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE



## **Empower Rwanda Trade Strengthening the National Quality Infrastructure**



**Kigali, 28<sup>th</sup> of October 2014**

The workshop is organized by RSB in conjunction with ACP-EU TBT programme. It will provide an overview of the WTO TBT Agreement. The background, purpose and scope of the Agreement will be explained; main principles and disciplines will be highlighted and clarified; particular attention will be given to conformity assessment requirements and procedures and will provide as well a forum for participants to share information and experiences on TBT Agreement implementation aspects.

The workshop will include presentations from the host authorities on Rwanda's experience with implementation of the Agreement.

Participants will be expected to contribute actively to the Workshop. In this regard, time will be made available for discussion and information sharing. The workshop will take place at **Hotel Nobleza in Kicukiro District**.



## PROGRAM

**28<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2014 – Nobleza Hotel**

- 8:30 – 9:00:** Registration of participants
- 9:00 – 9:30:** Opening remarks  
Dr. Mark Cyubahiro Bagabe, Rwanda Standards Board  
Mr. Tarik Kubach, EU Delegation to Rwanda
- 9:30 – 10:15:** The Role and function of RSB in the NQI of Rwanda  
Mr. Karamuzi Eric, NMD
- 10:15 – 10:30:** Coffee Break
- 10:30 – 11:15:** Principles of WTO TBT Agreement  
Mr. Njikam Ousmanou, WTO/TBT Expert  
ACP-EU TBT Programme mission Rwanda
- 11:15 – 12:00:** ACP EU TBT Project on strengthening the capacity of RSB conformity assessment services towards Accreditation  
Dr. Konstantinos Athanasiadis, Team Leader of the Project,  
Quality Infrastructure Expert
- 12:00 – 13:30:** Lunch Break
- 13:30 – 14:15:** The EAC Common market Protocol and WTO TBT Agreement  
MINEAC- Representative
- 14:15 – 15:00:** Protecting and enhancing competition and consumer welfare in EAC  
Mr. Damien Ndayizeye, Consumer Association
- 15:00 – 15:10** CLOSING REMARKS



## **PROGRAM**

**27<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2014 – Metrology Conference room**

- 14:30 – 14:45:** Registration of participants (RSB Staff)
- 14:45 – 15:00:** Opening remarks  
Manager, NSD
- 15:00 – 15:45:** Principles of WTO TBT Agreement  
Mr. Njikam Ousmanou, WTO/TBT Expert  
ACP-EU TBT Programme mission Rwanda
- 15:45 – 16:00:** Questions and Answers
- 16:00 – 16:45:** ACP EU TBT Project on strengthening the capacity of RSB conformity assessment services towards Accreditation  
Dr. Konstantinos Athanasiadis, Team Leader of the project,  
Quality Infrastructure Expert
- 16:45 – 17:00:** CLOSING REMARKS