

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR
COOPERATION RELATING TO STANDARDIZATION,
CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT AND LEGAL METROLOGY
Between
THE KOREAN AGENCY FOR TECHNOLOGY AND
STANDARDS OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA (KATS) AND
RWANDA STANDARDS BOARD OF THE REPUBLIC OF
RWANDA (RSB)**

The KOREAN AGENCY FOR TECHNOLOGY AND STANDARDS (KATS) of the Republic of Korea and the RWANDA STANDARDS BOARD (RSB) of the Republic of Rwanda hereinafter referred to as the sides;

Aiming at elimination of technical barriers to trade and facilitating economical relations between the Republic of Korea and the Republic of Rwanda;

Desiring to promote mutual interests through cooperation in the areas of standardization, conformity assessment and legal metrology on the basis of equality and mutual benefit;

Recognizing that such cooperation will promote economic cooperation, facilitate trade and support the friendly relationship between the two countries;

NOW THEREFORE THE SIDES WISH TO RECORD IN WRITING THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING IN RESPECT OF THE ABOVE AND MATTERS ANCILLARY THERETO.



PARAGRAPH 1 : SCOPE AND OBJECTIVES

The scope of this MoU will extend to the promotion and facilitation of bilateral trade between the Republic of Korea and the Republic of Rwanda through the elimination of technical barriers to trade. It will cover, among others, co-operation in Standardization, Conformity Assessment, Legal Metrology and Training.

The cooperation may include, in particular, the following forms:

- a. Visits and exchange of experts in standardization, conformity assessment and legal metrology;
- b. Exchange standards, technical regulations, standards education materials and related publications in identified areas to facilitate the trade activities and eliminate trade barriers between the two countries;
- c. Exchange technical data/researches, articles and any other information that may help spread and transfer knowledge about standardization and conformity assessment;
- d. Cooperation within the framework of international and regional organizations relating to standardization, conformity assessment and legal metrology for mutual benefit;
- e. Organization and participation in international conferences, symposia, courses, workshops, exhibitions and other joint meetings of mutual interest;
- f. Cooperation of joint training/education programs to raise competency in standardization, conformity assessment and legal metrology; and
- g. Other forms of cooperation to be mutually agreed on by respective sides.

PARAGRAPH 2: TRAINING

The sides agree to conduct training programs, workshops, attachments and related activities with regard to standardization, conformity assessment and legal metrology activities with a view to assuring that best practice methods are deployed in carrying out these activities.

PARAGRAPH 3: CONFIDENTIALITY

The sides will ensure that documents as well as information exchanged between both sides are kept confidential. Either party will only transmit any confidential document and information to third sides after seeking and receiving prior written consent of the other party.

Any information derived from cooperative activities under this MoU should not be unilaterally disclosed for commercial or industrial purposes without the consent of the sides.

PARAGRAPH 4: GOVERNING LAW

The laws of the Republic of Korea and the Republic of Rwanda applicable to this MoU will apply respectively. Should there be a conflict in the applicable laws referred to in this clause, then the laws of the country in which the cause of conflict arose will prevail.

PARAGRAPH 5: DISPUTES

Any dispute under or in relation to this MoU will be resolved through mutual consultations, negotiations or agreement between the sides.

PARAGRAPH 6: FINANCING

Mechanisms of financing of activities under this MoU will be affected on the basis of mutual agreement from time to time between the two sides and in accordance with each other's capabilities.

PARAGRAPH 7: COMMENCEMENT AND RENEWAL

- a. This MoU will come into force on the day of signature by the two sides and will remain in force for a period of five years, unless terminated as hereinafter provided.
- b. Any party wishing to renew this MoU will notify the other party, in writing, of its intention to affect such renewal at least sixty (60) days before expiry of this MoU. Where the other party agrees to a renewal, the sides will thereafter renew the MoU on such terms as may be agreed.

PARAGRAPH 8: AMENDMENTS


This MoU will be amended only by written agreement of the sides.

PARAGRAPH 9: TERMINATION

1. Any party wishing to terminate this MoU will so notify the other of its intention, in writing, at least 60 days prior to the intended date of termination.
2. A notice under paragraph 1 will, under pain of nullity, clearly specify the intended date of termination.
3. The party receiving a notice under paragraph 1 will, within 15 days of receipt, make an acknowledgement of such receipt to the other party. This MoU will then be terminated on the date specified in the notice.
4. Any assignment that has begun pursuant to this MoU will, notwithstanding its termination, be brought to completion.

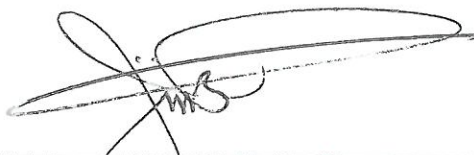
In WITNESS WHEREOF, the sides have caused the MoU to be signed the day and year written hereunder.

FOR THE
KOREAN AGENCY FOR
TECHNOLOGY AND STANDARDS
OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA



Director General
Dr. Kang Byung Goo

FOR THE
RWANDA STANDARDS BOARD
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