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Message from the AAU President



Having served on the Association of African Universities' (AAU) Governing Board as Vice President for four years, I had the honour of being appointed the President of this great Association. I am indeed happy to address you all through the first AAU Annual Report produced under my administration.

Over the past 50 years, the AAU has continued to strengthen and improve the higher education space on the African continent. The year under review was no exception.

AAU continued to execute its strategic priorities targeted at demonstrating value for all our members. Through ongoing innovations by the Secretariat and strong governance by the AAU Board, the Association promises to continue to create value for our membership and stakeholders as a whole. We will lead the way, by not just responding to the plethora of challenges and opportunities, but innovating ahead of it.

On one hand of the spectrum, we are leveraging a strong portfolio of services and solutions, ranging from quality assurance to leadership development, to help strengthen the capacities of our members to carry out their core duties of

teaching, learning, research and community engagement. On the other hand, we are building more strategic partnerships to help increase our impact on our constituents and remain ever more relevant.

We are focused on doing our part to improve the quality of African higher education as demanded by our mandate, and implore all our stakeholders to come along with us on this important journey.

We will continue to report back to our stakeholders via the various channels established including the AAU Newsletter, Website (www.aau.org), Blog (blog.aau.org), Social Media, Annual report, AAU Television, Conference of Rectors, Vice Chancellors and Presidents of African Universities (COREVIP), General Conferences and other stakeholder events and meetings.

I seize this opportunity to thank our members, various governments, development partners and stakeholders in general for the trust and confidence reposed in the AAU.

Prof. Dr. Orlando Antonio Quilambo

President, AAU



Secretary General's Message



This year's Annual Report highlights the progress made by the Association of African Universities (AAU) and its partners towards improving the quality of higher education in Africa.

AAU worked strategically, through collaborations and partnerships to strengthen higher education institutions' (HEIs) delivery capacity, promote knowledge generation and management, promote the socio-economic relevance of the African university, as well as create the necessary platform for networking and formation of strategic alliances among African Universities and between them and the rest of the world.

We implemented various programmes within the year to enhance leadership and management capacity in African HEIs, improve ICT infrastructure and capacity for knowledge management, improve Quality Assurance, Promote Science, Technology and Innovation, Promote Africa Centers of Excellence, among others.

In 2017/2018, the AAU also responded to the growing demand by its membership and the AAU Governing Board to establish regional offices as part of taking our expertise and

programmes closer to our members. I am delighted to report that the AAU East-African Regional Office was successfully launched in Sudan and is being hosted by the University of Khartoum. The mandate of this office covers the 11 East African countries. Plans are also far advanced to officially establish the AAU's North Africa Regional Office. We will continue to work hard in the coming years to establish the Southern and Central Africa AAU Regional Offices.

The AAU Secretariat further took the bold and giant step to increase its visibility and reach the world in real time by establishing the AAU Television Channel, which is currently broadcasting online via Facebook and YouTube.

These and other achievements were only possible through the ongoing support of our board, members, individuals, industry and development partners as well as national governments. Together, we are working towards building a strong and world class African Higher Education.

Thank you for your continued confidence and support.

Prof. Etienne Ehouan Ehilè

Secretary General, AAU



About the AAU

The Association of African Universities (AAU) is the apex organization and forum for consultation, exchange of information and co-operation among institutions of Higher Education in Africa. The decision to create the AAU was taken at a meeting of Heads of African Institutions of Higher Education at the University of Khartoum, Sudan in September 1963. This was followed by a founding conference in Rabat, Morocco on 12th November 1967, which was attended by the Heads or Senior representatives of 34 of the then existing 46 African Universities. AAU is one of the key higher education implementing bodies of the African Union.

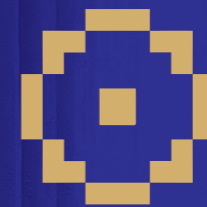
AAU represents the voice of Higher Education in Africa on Regional and International platforms and supports networking by institutions of Higher Education in the areas of teaching, research, quality assurance, information exchange and dissemination.

With a strong representation in all five regions of Africa, AAU, has over the years made tremendous contributions to Higher Education Institutions in Africa through its various projects. Its secretariat is located in Accra, Ghana.



Vision

To be the leading advocate for higher education in Africa, with the capacity to assist our member organizations in meeting national and continental needs.



Mission

To enhance the quality and relevance of higher education in Africa and strengthen its contribution to African development by:



Supporting the core functions of higher education institutions (HEIs)



Facilitating and fostering collaboration with and between African HEIs



Providing a platform for discussions on emerging issues



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 AAU GOVERNING BOARD**

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 RECTOR, EDUARDO MONDLANE UNIVERSITY,
 MAPUTO, MOZAMBIQUE

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 MAROUA, CAMEROON



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 NSOWAH-NUAMAH**
 PRESIDENT, REGENT UNIVERSITY
 COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND
 TECHNOLOGY, GHANA



Prof. Bakri Osma SAEED
Vice Chancellor, Sudan
 INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY,
 SUDAN

Meet the New AAU Governing Board Members 2017-2021

NORTHERN AFRICA



Prof. Ezzat Abdel WAHAB
 President, Ain Shams University,
 Egypt



Prof. Mohamed ELMAHRASAWY
 President - Al-Azhar University,
 Egypt



Prof. Hassan Mohamed H. KAAFI
 Vice Chancellor, Plasma University,
 Somalia

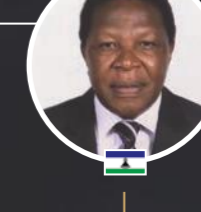


Prof. Elifas Tozo BISANDA
 Vice-Chancellor – Open
 University of Tanzania,
 Tanzania

CENTRAL AFRICA



Prof. Theresia K. NKUO-AKENJI
 Vice-Chancellor of The University of
 Bamenda, Republic of Cameroon
 Alternate Members of the AAU Governing
 Board – Central Africa



Prof Nqosa L. MAHAO
 Vice Chancellor-National University
 of Lesotho, Lesotho

SOUTHERN AFRICA



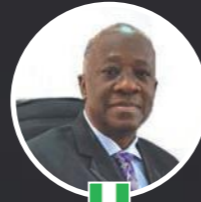
Prof. Rungano Jonas ZVOBGO
 Vice Chancellor-Great Zimbabwe
 University, Zimbabwe



Prof. Brice SINSIN
 Rector-University of
 Abomeyi-Calavi, Benin



Professor Olusola OYEWOLE
 Former AAU President/ Vice
 Chancellor, Federal University of
 Agriculture Abeokuta, Nigeria.



Prof. Abdulganiyu AMBALI
 Vice Chancellor, University of
 Ilorin, Nigeria

WESTERN AFRICA

EASTERN AFRICA

Alternate Members of the AAU Governing Board



EASTERN AFRICA
Prof. John Ssentamu DDUMBA
 Former Vice Chancellor, Makerere University, Uganda



WESTERN AFRICA
Prof. Fajir ANJUM
 Vice Chancellor-University of Gambia, Gambia



NORTHERN AFRICA
VACANT



SOUTHERN AFRICA
Prof. Engineer Quinton KANHUKAMWE
 Vice Chancellor-Harare Institute of Technology, Zimbabwe



CENTRAL AFRICA
VACANT

MANAGEMENT TEAM



Prof. Etienne Ehouan EHILE
 Secretary General



Prof. Jonathan Chucks MBA
 Director of Research & Academic Planning

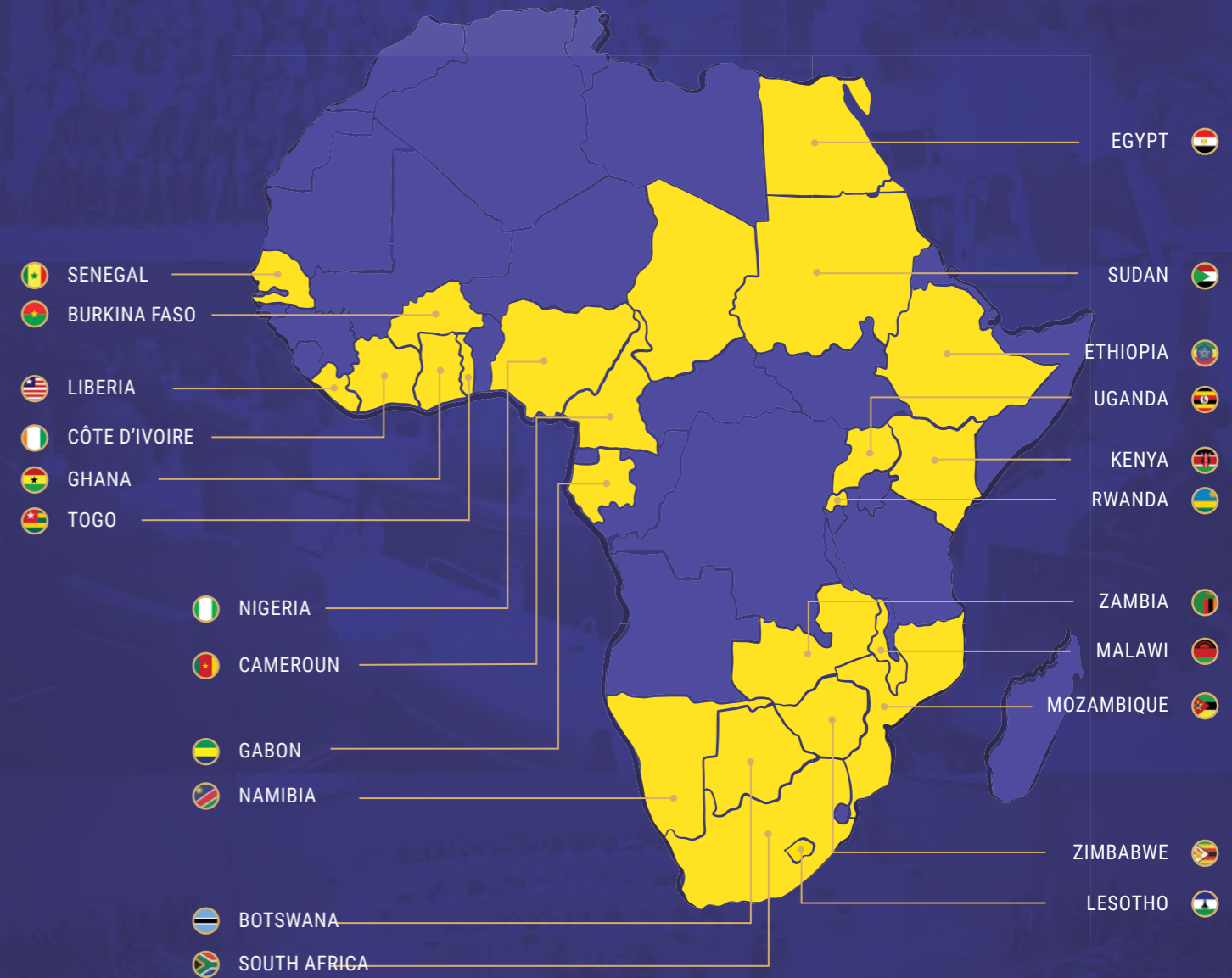


Mr. Maxwell AMO-HOYTE
 Director of Finance



Ms Nodumo DHLAMINI
 Director of Knowledge Management & ICT Services

Where we worked in 2017/2018





Key Events in 2017/2018

2017

- **10-15 JULY**
Africa - China World Bank Forum
- **19 JUNE -12 AUGUST**
AQRM Institutional Evaluations and other Quality Assurance Events
- **OCTOBER 2017**
The Pan African University Council Meeting
- **21-24 NOVEMBER**
African Universities' Week Celebration
 - **21-22**
Educational Technology Advice Forum for University Executives
 - **23**
Panel Discussion on African Research and Innovations
 - **24**
International Leadership Conference for Women in Higher Education

2018

- **08 MARCH**
Stakeholders' Meeting for the Demography of African Faculty Project,
- **14 MARCH**
Launch of East Africa Regional Office
- **15-16 MARCH**
National Research and Education Networks for African Countries,
- **26-27 MARCH**
Planning Meetings for the African Union Committee of 10 Heads of State
- **07 MAY**
African Higher Education Fair of the ACE Project
- **17 MAY**
Multi - Stakeholders' Forum on Public Private Partnerships

21-24 NOV 2017

2017 African Universities' Week Celebration

It is mandatory for all AAU member universities to commemorate 12 November of every year as the African University Day that marks the day AAU was born. In November 2017, the theme was "AAU@50 - Achievements, Challenges and Prospects for Sustainable Development in Africa" and member institutions were invited to celebrate the Day by organizing a suitable forum for public dialogue on the theme. The previous AAU Board approved that the African University Day could be celebrated over a week instead of just a day. In line with this, the celebrations in Ghana hosted by the AAU Secretariat were held from 21-24 November 2017, attracting over 300 participants. Three interrelated activities were held as follows:

21-22 NOV



The Educational Technology Advice Forum for University Executives

This was held from 21-22 November 2017 in response to the request by educational technology providers for opportunities to interact with AAU member universities and other educational institutions and thereby expose the latter to available educational technology options. This forum was in line with the ongoing efforts of the AAU to strengthen university-private sector linkages to improve the quality of African higher education and education in general.

23 NOV

Panel Discussion on African Research and Innovations

The 23rd of November featured a high-level panel discussing the outcomes of the June 2017 African Research and Innovations Summit (ARIS), which was also hosted by the AAU at the Secretariat. This event was attended by university leaders, faculty, administrative staff, students, private sector, policy makers, the media and the general public.



24
NOV

International Leadership Conference for Women in Higher Education

This was held on November 24, 2017 also at the AAU Secretariat, Accra, Ghana. It was a one-day intensive conference that sought to empower young women in higher education to reach their full potential and aspire to leadership positions in their chosen fields. The conference featured a series of presentations and panel discussions by women who have broken barriers to achieve heights and influence in society. There were opportunities for sharing life stories highlighting the challenges and opportunities that litter the path to the top and the level of dynamism required to sail through. This event brought women across national and international boundaries together to share knowledge, ideas and strategic management skills required for success in various leadership positions. Some of the high-profile personalities who graced the occasion were Ms. Charlotte Osei, Chairperson of Ghana's Electoral Commission and Prof. Jane Naana Opoku Agyemang, first female VC of Ghana and immediate past Minister of Education in Ghana. The special guest of honour was Ms. Otiko Afisa Djaba, the Minister for Gender, Children and Social Protection.



8 MAR 2018

Stakeholders' Meeting for the Demography of African Faculty Project



The AAU is working with Education Sub-Saharan Africa (ESSA) and Population Reference Bureau (PRB) to implement the Pilot Project on the Demography of African Faculty. The project is funded by the Mastercard Foundation and aims to collect data in Ghana on the numbers of academic faculty by age, gender, field/department, role and rank as well as data on student enrolments by field/department. The consortium will develop estimates and projections to describe current and future demand for faculty, as well as describe the policy environment and national contexts affecting the supply (production, recruiting, and retention) of faculty. The first meeting of the stakeholders was held at the AAU Secretariat on the 8th of March 2018.



AAU Secretariat

AAU also participated in a side event of the Demography of African Faculty Project during the 'Next Einstein Forum (NEF) Global Gathering' held from 26-28 March 2018 in Kigali, Rwanda under the patronage of H.E. Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda.



07 MAY 2018

ACE HIGHER EDUCATION FAIR

2iE Institut International d'Ingénierie de l'Eau et de l'Environnement

IN ATTENDANCE

300 PARTICIPANTS

FROM

9 ACE COUNTRIES

22 ACE RESULTS SHOWCASED



for faculty & student recruitment into course programmes

OCT 2017 • MAR-APR 2018

Africa Higher Education Centres of Excellence (ACE) Events:

- SUPERVISION MISSIONS;
- VERIFICATION MISSIONS;
- PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETINGS;
- ACE WORKSHOPS

During the period under review, the AAU participated in several supervision missions that were conducted in the various ACE phase I universities. These missions took place in October 2017, March 2018 and April 2018 and were in line with the ACE project's monitoring and evaluation strategy. The purpose of the missions was to assess the extent to which implementation is consistent with the agreed timelines and outcomes set out in the Project Appraisal Document. The supervision missions also tracked progress, achievements and impacts made by each ACE institution. The missions presented the opportunities for experts to provide technical advice on addressing challenges facing the Centres in project execution.

Experts were hired to verify achievement of disbursement linked results (DLRs) 2.8 milestones by the centres of excellence during the reporting period. The experts visited 5 of the ACEs and submitted their reports to AAU, which were forwarded to World Bank for approval and subsequent funds disbursement.

The first ever African Higher Education Fair was held on Monday, 7th May 2018 in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso.

Two ACE Project Steering Committee (PSC) Meetings were also held within the year to review ACE performance, discuss implementation challenges, activities as well as other matters.



Institute of Water & Environmental Engineering

The ACE Higher Education Fair

The maiden "Higher Education Student Fair" of the ACE project was launched on May 7, 2018 on the campus of the Institute of Water and Environmental Engineering (2iE) in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso. The event created the platform for the 22 ACEs to showcase their results, achievements, potentials, as well as advertise for both faculty and student recruitment into their programmes. About 300 people including stakeholders from academia, the private sector, industry, civil society, students participated in the fair.

The event was officially opened through the cutting of a tape by the ECOWAS Commissioner for Higher Education, Prof. Leopoldo Amado, the Secretary General of the AAU, Prof. Etienne E. Ehile, World Bank Country Manager for Burkina Faso, Mr. Cheick Fantamady Kanté and the General Director of 2iE, Prof. Mady Koanda.

In his welcoming remarks, Prof. Koanda of 2iE indicated the appreciation of the institution for hosting this first ACE higher education fair and called on participants to take advantage of the various opportunities availed to them by the Centers of Excellence through the Fair.



Professor Amado on his part stressed ECOWAS' support for the event and reiterated the Commission's belief in the potential of the ACEs to address the Region's challenges.

A wide array of exhibits including scientific equipment, laboratory chemicals, sample innovative processed foods and publications were displayed by the participating Centers of Excellence.



The research programs presented to visitors covered the following areas:

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| i Genomics and Infectious Diseases; | x Oilfield Chemicals; |
| ii Water, Energy and Environment; | xi Water and Sanitation; |
| iii Agricultural Development and Environmental Sustainability; | xii Poultry Sciences; |
| iv Cell Biology of Infectious Pathogens; | xiii Information and Communications Technology; |
| v Neglected Tropical Diseases and Forensic Biotechnology; | xiv Maternal and Child Health; |
| vi Crop Improvement; | xv Dryland Agriculture; |
| vii Phytomedicine and Development; | xvi Food Technology; |
| viii Reproductive Health and Innovation; | xvii Statistics; |
| ix Mathematical Sciences and Applications; | xviii Climate Change; |
| | xix Mining; and |
| | xx Materials Science and Engineering. |

The event received coverage by both local and international media including Africable, BBC Africa Radio, RTB television and Pays. The AAU TV also covered this important event.

17 MAY 2018



Multi – Stakeholders' Forum on Public Private Partnerships



Bravia Hotel Ouagadougou,

The African Centre for Technology Studies (ACTS) consortium in partnership with the Association of African Universities, Ministry of Scientific Research and Innovation of Burkina Faso, National Fund for Research and Innovation Development (FONRID) of Burkina Faso and the Chamber of Commerce hosted the 1st Multi-Stakeholders Forum on Public Private Partnership through research at the Bravia Hotel in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso. This forum was one of the initial activities under the ACTS Consortium's Science Granting Councils 5-year Initiative, which seeks to strengthen the capacities of Science Granting Councils (SGC) in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) to support research and evidence-based policies that will contribute to economic and social development. The 5-year initiative also seeks to strengthen the ability of Science Granting Councils to manage research, design and monitor research programmes based on the use of robust science, technology and innovation (STI) indicators; support knowledge exchange with the private sector; and establish partnerships

between Science Granting Councils and other science system actors.

The one-day forum sought to strengthen the collaboration amongst the private sector, researchers, academics and the government of Burkina Faso and ultimately strengthen the national science and research systems that contributes to development in Burkina Faso and the entire African continent. The forum was opened by the Secretary of State in charge of Scientific Research and Innovation of Burkina Faso, Dr. Kouliadi Urbain, the Secretary General of the Association of African Universities, Prof. Etienne Ehile and the Director General of the National Fund for Research and Innovation Development, Dr. Tamboura Hamidou. The forum attracted multi stakeholders of development and experts in Burkina Faso such as the members of Chamber of Commerce, Academics, students, researchers from the National Research Institutions, Government officials and private sector players.



New Initiatives from the AAU Secretariat



19 JUN-12 AUG 2018

AQRM Institutional Evaluations and other Quality Assurance Events

The AAU Secretariat partnered with the African Union Commission and European partners of the Harmonisation of African Higher Education Quality Assurance and Accreditation (HAQAA) Initiative Project to visit 15 selected African universities and validate the questionnaires that these universities had completed as part of the African Quality Rating Mechanism (AQRM). The AQRM tool is available online (<https://www.aau.org/aqrm/>) and African Universities completed it as part of the "self-assessment" process. Quality Assurance experts are then deployed to visit these universities and validate the scores and the self-assessment done by universities. The Secretariat has an open call for AQRM Institutional Evaluations and universities must pay if they want quality experts to conduct validation visits. The AQRM tool is an excellent tool for promoting quality in African Universities and benchmarking the universities.

During the period under review, the Secretariat sought to boost its visibility and relevance to the higher education community, and in line with the implementation of its Strategic Plan and guidance from the Board, initiated the following:

15 CONDUCTED IN
 SELECTED AFRICAN
 UNIVERSITIES

As part of the HAQAA Initiative, the AAU has been closely engaged in the development of the African Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance. These proposed standards were discussed during the HAQAA Initiative Technical Working Group Meeting in Brussels that was attended by the HAQAA Project Officer.

14 MAR 2018

Establishment of the AAU East Africa Regional Office in Sudan

11 COUNTRIES OF EAST AFRICA



SUDAN

Khartoum •



PHOTOSTORY

Launch of East Africa Regional Office



On the 14th March 2018, the East Africa Regional Office of the Association was successfully launched in Khartoum, Sudan. This memorable event took place at the Sudan Ministry of Higher Education & Scientific Research Conference Room. The East Africa Office is hosted by the University of Khartoum and its mandate covers the 11 countries of East Africa (Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, Sudan, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Djibouti and Somalia).

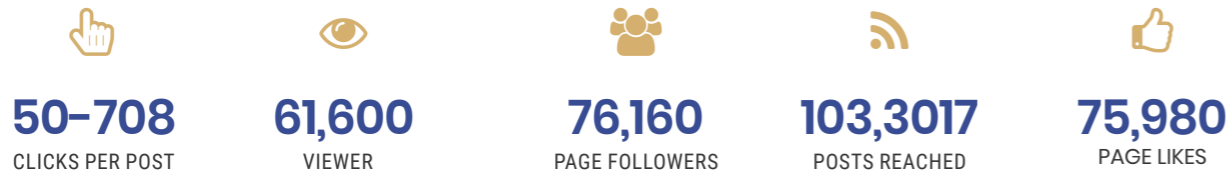
University and Vice President of AAU; Prof Bakri Osman Saeed; Executive Secretary of RUFORUM, Professor Adipala Ekwamu; Vice President Al Azhar University in Egypt, Professor Yousuf Amer; Director of Development Projects and Innovation Center Manager at Ain Shams University, Egypt, Prof M.S. Al-Kotb and representatives of the Arab Bank for Economic Development, UNESCO, the Private Sector, Diplomatic Missions, Professional Association of Sudanese Universities Academic Staff and Students Associations.

Some high profile dignitaries in attendance included the Honourable Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research in Sudan, Professor Somia Abo Kashawa; President of the AAU, Professor Orlando Antonio Quilambo; Secretary General of the AAU, Professor Etienne E. Ehile; Vice Chancellor University of Khartoum, Professor Ahmed M. Suleiman; President of the Association of Sudanese Universities, Professor Ahmed Altayb; President of Sudan International

The main goal of the AAU East Africa Regional Office is to increase the impact of AAU activities in East Africa and maximize the benefits of member universities in that region. This decentralization of the Association's activities is expected to help improve both the visibility of the AAU and the quality of higher education in Africa. Other AAU Regional Offices will be launched in North Africa, Central Africa and Southern Africa.



Establishment of the AAU Television Station



The AAU Secretariat took a bold and giant step this year, to increase its visibility and reach the world in real time by establishing the AAU TV Channel which is currently broadcasting live online via Facebook (Association of African Universities) and YouTube (Association of African Universities). Key equipment for the studio were purchased and assembled, and staff trained to manage the studio and host programmes. The TV currently features the African

Higher Education News, which is read in English and French. Shows which feature specialists and academics on various thematic issues are also hosted on the AAU TV. The feedback on the AAU TV has been very good – shown through the social media comments, comments directed at AAU through personal contacts and the impressive increase in the followers of the AAU Facebook Page.

PHOTOSTORY

AAU TV Starts Operation





1-2 JUN 2018

African Research and Innovations Summit

The African Research and Innovations Summit (ARIS) is a new initiative the Secretariat seeks to institutionalize as an annual event to build a stronger partnership among academia, researchers, private sector and policy makers through research. The maiden event, which was held on 1&2 June 2017 as a pre-General Conference event, drew over 300 participants from Ghana and beyond. The summit passed a resolution to establish a Research Bank/ Repository to be coordinated by the AAU, Pan –African Chamber of Commerce and Governments.



The Research Bank will be open to all individual researchers across Africa and serve as a repository where research problems from all industries and governments will be housed. Student researchers will then visit the bank to select a research problem related to their fields of study. When fully operational, the repository will promote quality and relevant research output in Africa, graduate internship, graduate employability, and university-industry linkages.



18-20 APR 2018

African Youth Forum

In our quest to increase youth and student-based activities and respond to the varying needs of young graduates on the continent, the AAU in partnership with Idea Factor and Bizz Africa organized the maiden African Youth Summit from the 18th –20th April, 2018 at the AAU Secretariat. The summit created a platform to groom young people and position them to take advantage of the global trends in Leadership and Governance, Business, Finance, Academics and Technology. The forum was opened by the Deputy Minister of Environment, Science, Technology and information of the Republic of Ghana, Hon. Patricia Appiagyei and the Secretary General of the AAU, Prof. Etienne Ehile.



Strengthening the AAU MEL Systems

Within the reporting period, the Secretariat commenced the process of strengthening its Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) systems. An internal taskforce led by the Director of ICT Services and Knowledge Management began this exercise. A Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning framework will be developed for AAU in the coming year and it will be composed of a theory of change, indicators reference manual, guidelines for MEL at AAU, data collection tools and high-level design of the AAU Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning system. We acknowledge the support of the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) for supporting this effort of improving AAU's Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning processes.



Update On On-Going AAU Programmes



PROJECT	OBJECTIVES	ACHIEVED OUTPUTS
<p>■ MAR - DEC 2017</p> <p>Graduate Internship</p> <p>FUNDERS ACBF, Sida</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Build employable skills in students before they graduate → at least 40% of beneficiaries should be females → at least 30% from Francophone institutions 	<p>The grantees were from various institutions in 13 countries, namely: Benin, Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mali, Namibia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Tanzania and Zimbabwe. Thirty-six (36) of the grantees, representing 44% were females. Fourteen (14) of the 82 grantees, representing 17% were pursuing PhD programmes. Of the 14 PhD students, 8 were females.</p>
<p>■ JAN 2016-DEC 2018</p> <p>HAQAA INITIATIVE</p> <p>FUNDERS European Union Commission</p> <p>PARTNERS AAU, University of Barcelona, ENQA, DAAD, EUA</p>	<p>Boost the Pan African Quality Assurance and Accreditation Framework (PAQAF) by contributing to and supporting the harmonization of African higher education programmes. It also seeks to create a distinctive, revitalized, attractive and globally competitive African higher education space through enhanced intra-African collaboration.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Training on the Common Understanding of QA. → Workshops on preparing institutions and experts for the AQRM institutional Evaluations → Carrying out institutional evaluations in 15 institutions in 15 African countries → Consultative meetings on the formulation of the African Standards & Guidelines (ASG-QA) → Formulation of the African Standards and Guidelines.

■ 2014-2019

ACE Project (Multi-Million Dollar Project)

FUNDER
World Bank

The project seeks to strengthen the institutional and human capacities of participating universities and their higher education institutional collaborators to enable them deliver high quality education and training, as well as strengthen their research capabilities.

- A Joint ACE I and ACE II Workshop was successfully organized in Accra in November 2017, which attracted more than 360 participants from across Africa.
- ACE Monitoring and Supervision Missions to selected ACEs were held in October 2017 and March-April 2018.
- ACE Results (DLI 2.8) Verification Missions were held in October 2017 and January 2018.

■ **MARCH 2017- MAY 2020**

Science Granting Council Initiative US\$129,200

FUNDER
IDRC

PARTNERS
AAU, ACTS, STIPRO, SCINOVENT

The objective of the initiative is to strengthen the capacity of participating science granting councils in sub-Saharan Africa to establish partnerships with other Councils and to foster knowledge transfer to the private sector

- SGCI Meeting was held in Livingstone, Zambia in December 2017
- Data Collection was undertaken in Cote d'Ivoire, Senegal and Burkina Faso in November 2017
- Workshop on working collaboratively with the private sector held from February 26 –March 2, 2018 in Nairobi, Kenya

■ **JAN-JUNE 2018**

Demography of African Faculty Project US\$112,729

FUNDER
MasterCard Foundation

PARTNERS
ESSA, PRB

The project seeks to improve management of faculty resources within the tertiary education system in Africa by building and enhancing the capacity for collection, management, analysis, use and dissemination of data pertaining to faculty in African universities

- Kick-off meeting was held in January 2018 in Accra
- Stakeholders meeting was held in March 2018 in Accra
- Project presentation was made in Kigali, Rwanda in March 2018 during the Next Einstein Forum
- Review of Ghana Policy Environment began in February 2018

DEC 2013- SEP 2018

Sida Research Cooperation Support to AAU US\$2.6million

FUNDER
Sida

The project aims to provide support to AAU statutory events and activities

- Internship payments were made to graduate students
- Staff Exchange Fellows were sponsored to universities
- Small grants for theses and dissertations completion were disbursed

MAY 2016 -2026

PASET RSIF US\$2.5 million

(Partnership for Skills in Applied Science, Engineering & Technology)

FUNDER
African Governments

To train 10,000 PhD students for Africa in the areas of Applied Sciences, Engineering and Technology

- 4 RSIF Host Universities selected
- 15 RSIF Cohort 1 Scholars selected and now studying at the Host Universities
- Management Information Systems developed to support the running of RSIF
- Rwanda and Kenya contribute US\$2.5 million to the RSIF
- RSIF Project Administrator appointed

PARTNERS
RSIF host Universities, World Bank, Partner Universities in South Korea

MAY 2017 - JAN 2018

AAU Webinars

FUNDERS
Carnegie Corporation through Trust Africa

The webinars brought together experts in Higher Education, academics, students, development partners, key staff of some regional organisations and the African Union, some Ministers of Education, Educational Policy Makers, Social and Corporate organizations.

Four webinars were held on the following two educational objectives of the 2015 Dakar Declaration:

- Promoting diversification, differentiation, and harmonization of higher education systems at thenational and institutional levels by African countries
- Promoting academic mobility/exchange programmes and standardization through the harmonizationof higher education systems

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Key outcomes of the webinar presentations and discussions were synthesised for publications. Policy briefs are being developed and will be shared with Vice-Chancellors and Education Ministries of various countries for adoption

Update on AAU Membership
















The Secretariat received several applications through its online application form. Upon careful review, in terms of the Constitution and Bye-Law requirements, the following institutions met the necessary requirements for admission into the AAU. All admitted members will be ratified at the next Conference of Rectors, Vice Chancellors and Presidents of African Universities to be held in 2019.






List of New Members approved by the AAU Executive Board within the period

2018

FULL MEMBERS

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|  | DMI-St. John The Baptist University (DMISJBU), Malawi |  | University of Kassala, Sudan |
|  | Benha University, Egypt |  | Hubert Kairuki University, Tanzania |
|  | Helwan University, Egypt |  | DMI-St. Eugene University, Zambia |
|  | Université Moulay Ismail, Morocco |  | ABM University College, Botswana |
|  | Wolaita Sodo University, Ethiopia |  | Muni University, Uganda |
|  | Indian Ocean University, Somalia |  | Agriculture University of Ketou, Benin |
|  | Sohdi Institute, Somalia | | |

ASSOCIATE

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|  | International University of Management & Administration (IUMA), Benin |
|  | Kownayn University, Somalia |
|  | Baresan University, Somalia |
|  | Abrar University, Somalia |
|  | Eastern Palm University, Imo State, Nigeria |



Key Meetings with Strategic Partners and our Participation in strategic higher education events



Africa-China-World Bank Forum July 2017

The AAU participated in the Africa-China-World Bank First Education Partnership Forum that was held in China. This forum focussed on Higher Education and Science and Technology. It aimed to strengthen the tripartite relationship (among China, Africa, and the World Bank) as well as to forge new partnerships between leading universities, science and technology research institutes, and private sector of the two regions. Key partners of the forum included the University of Chinese Academy of Sciences (UCAS), and Shanghai Jiaotong University (SJTU). The ongoing tripartite partnership on education is progressing well with support from the Chinese government and the World Bank. Several Chinese institutions have built partnerships with African institutions financed under the World Bank projects.

The Pan African University Council Meeting

October 2017

The Secretary General of the AAU participated in the Pan African University (PAU) Council Meeting on the 26th of October 2017 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The African Union is planning to launch an additional institute associated with the Pan African University – which will be called the Pan African Virtual and E-University Institute. The AAU Director of ICT Services and Knowledge Management, Ms. Nodumo Dhlamini, is part of the Expert Team drafting the Project Working Document of the Pan African Virtual and E-University Institute. Expert meetings have been held in Addis Ababa, and a learning visit conducted at the University of South Africa in Pretoria.





High-Level Dialogue of Heads of State

January 2018

The Secretary General participated in the High-Level Dialogue of Heads of State organized by the African Union Commission in collaboration with the Global Partnership for Education and ONE Campaign. This event was held from 26-28 January 2018 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The purpose of the High-Level Dialogue was to discuss how to guarantee adequate financing for ensuring that the goals of Agenda 2063 and the SDGs will be realized as articulated in the Continental Education Strategy for Africa (CESA 16-25).

Planning Meetings for the African Union Committee of 10 Heads of State

March 2018

AAU was engaged in the third and fourth planning meetings for the African Union committee of 10 Heads of State upon the invitation of Government of Malawi through RUFORUM, the Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture hosted by Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda. The Government of Malawi leads in holding the planning meetings for the African Union Committee of 10 Heads of State Championing Education, Science, Technology and Innovation in Africa. The Committee of 10 (C10) is led by President Macky Sall of Senegal. Two such planning meetings were held within the reporting period in Lilongwe, Malawi as follows: Third Planning Meeting, 23 -24 October 2017 & Fourth Planning Meeting, 26-27 March 2018

Participants at the planning meetings included ACBF, RUFORUM, NEPAD, RECs, and representatives of the African Governments.



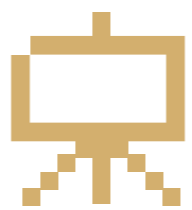
National Research and Education Networks for African Countries

March 2018

The Association of African Universities participated in the 4th Annual Conference and 5th General Assembly of the West and Central African Research and Education Networks (WACREN) from 15-16 March, 2018 in Lomé, Togo. WACREN is a project of the AAU that recently launched the WACREN Network. WACREN will join the global Research and Education (R&E) networking community. In addition to that, a complementary contract was signed with XON Systems for the provision of equipment. Initially, the WACREN network will provide a 10 Gigabyte per second (10Gbps) link from Lagos, Nigeria to London, UK where it interconnects with the pan-European GÉANT network, thus providing access to R&E collaborations with over 50 million researchers, academics and students across Europe. As part of the contract, an additional link will go out from Lagos terminating in Accra, Ghana.



In line with the AAU's goal of supporting the development of National Research and Education Networks (NRENs) in Africa, the Secretariat also facilitated a stakeholder meeting in Liberia from 15-16 December 2017 to promote the creation of the Liberia NREN. This meeting took place as a pre-event for the AAU/BlueCrest annual International Conference on Advanced Trends in Information and Communication Technology and Management (ICAITM)



AAU's Capacity Building Initiatives

In line with our intervention area which focuses on strengthening higher education institutions' delivery capacity, the AAU Secretariat organised the following workshops to build the capacities of members of the African Higher Education Community to better deliver on their core duties of teaching, research and community engagement:

<p>📅 14-17 AUG, 2017</p> <p>12th University Advancement Workshop Abuja, Nigeria</p> <p>👤 18 PARTICIPANTS ♂️ 16 MALES ♀️ 2 FEMALES</p>	<p>📅 15-17 AUG 2017</p> <p>Quality and Innovative Research Methods for the 21st Century AAU Secretariat, Accra, Ghana</p> <p>👤 11 PARTICIPANTS ♂️ 8 MALES ♀️ 3 FEMALES</p>	<p>📅 5-8 SEP, 2017</p> <p>11th Leadership Development (LEDEV XI) Tutu Akuapem, Ghana</p> <p>👤 34 PARTICIPANTS ♂️ 28 MALES ♀️ 6 FEMALES</p>
<p>📅 5-8 SEP, 2017</p> <p>Management Development Workshop (MADEV VI) Kigali, Rwanda</p> <p>👤 32 PARTICIPANTS ♂️ 21 MALES ♀️ 11 FEMALES</p>	<p>📅 11-15 SEP, 2017</p> <p>First Resource Mobilisation Workshops (RMW I) Cape Town, South Africa</p> <p>👤 19 PARTICIPANTS ♂️ 13 MALES ♀️ 6 FEMALES</p>	<p>📅 12-14 SEP 2017</p> <p>Database of African Theses and Dissertations (DATAD-RIII) Workshop Pretoria, South Africa</p> <p>👤 29 PARTICIPANTS ♂️ 13 MALES ♀️ 16 FEMALES</p>
<p>📅 19-21 SEP, 2017</p> <p>9th International Conference and Workshops on Quality Assurance in Higher Education in Africa Accra, Ghana</p> <p>👤 150 PARTICIPANTS ♂️ 117 MALES ♀️ 33 FEMALES</p>	<p>📅 10-13 OCT, 2017</p> <p>21st Century Innovative & Learner-Centred Pedagogical Skills Nairobi, Kenya</p> <p>👤 10 PARTICIPANTS ♂️ 9 MALES ♀️ 1 FEMALES</p>	<p>📅 18-21 OCT, 2017</p> <p>7eme seminaire/Atelier sur le developpement des capacites en gestion (MADEV VII) Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire</p> <p>👤 26 PARTICIPANTS ♂️ 22 MALES ♀️ 4 FEMALES</p>

📅 19 OCT 2017

Forum to Promote Diversification, Differentiation, and Harmonization of Higher Education Systems in Africa
Online

👤 **169** PARTICIPANTS
♂️ **-** MALES
♀️ **-** FEMALES

📅 31 OCT - 3 NOV, 2017

21st Century Quality Assurance Knowledge and Skills
Kumasi, Ghana

👤 **40** PARTICIPANTS
♂️ **32** MALES
♀️ **8** FEMALES

📅 21-24 NOV, 2017

Atelier de formation sur les aptitudes pédagogiques innovantes et axées sur les apprenants
Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire

👤 **35** PARTICIPANTS
♂️ **33** MALES
♀️ **2** FEMALES

📅 4-8 DEC, 2017

Second Resource Mobilization Workshop (RMW II)
Cairo, Egypt

👤 **15** PARTICIPANTS
♂️ **8** MALES
♀️ **7** FEMALES

📅 07 DEC 2017

Developing an Institutional Quality Culture
Ho, Ghana

👤 **WHOLE INSTITUTION**

📅 12-15 DEC 2017

21st Century Quality Assurance Knowledge and Skills
Kampala, Uganda

👤 **31** PARTICIPANTS
♂️ **25** MALES
♀️ **6** FEMALES

📅 11 JAN 2018

Harmonization of African HE QA & Accreditation
Online

👤 **64** PARTICIPANTS
♂️ **28** MALES
♀️ **64** FEMALES

📅 6-8 FEB, 2018

University-Industry Linkages for African Universities
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

👤 **14** PARTICIPANTS
♂️ **11** MALES
♀️ **3** FEMALES

📅 13-16 FEB 2018

21st Century Innovative & Learner-Centred Pedagogical Skills
Kampala, Uganda

👤 **12** PARTICIPANTS
♂️ **10** MALES
♀️ **2** FEMALES

📅 20-22 FEB 2018

Institutional Repository (DSpace) Training
Accra, Ghana

👤 **48** PARTICIPANTS
♂️ **40** MALES
♀️ **8** FEMALES

📅 25-27 FEB, 2018

Database of African Theses and Dissertations (DATAD-R V) Training
Khartoum, Sudan

👤 **43** PARTICIPANTS
♂️ **24** MALES
♀️ **19** FEMALES

📅 26 FEB -1 MAR, 2018

AfriQAN Good Practices Workshop In Quality Assurance
Khartoum, Sudan

👤 **38** PARTICIPANTS
♂️ **27** MALES
♀️ **11** FEMALES

<p>📅 27 FEB -2 MAR, 2018</p> <p>21st Century Innovative & Learner-Centred Pedagogical Skills</p> <p>Livingstone, Zambia</p> <p>👤 40 PARTICIPANTS 👤 35 MALES 👤 5 FEMALES</p>	<p>📅 26 MARCH 2018</p> <p>Microsoft Executive Briefing</p> <p>AAU Secretariat, Accra, Ghana</p> <p>👤 48 PARTICIPANTS 👤 42 MALES 👤 6 FEMALES</p>	<p>📅 26-28 MARCH, 2018</p> <p>Cyber Security Hygiene</p> <p>AAU Secretariat, Accra, Ghana</p> <p>👤 20 PARTICIPANTS 👤 18 MALES 👤 2 FEMALES</p>
<p>📅 26-30 MARCH 2018</p> <p>Atelier de Formation en Assurance Qualité et Pédagogie</p> <p>Yaoundé, Cameroun</p> <p>👤 35 PARTICIPANTS 👤 27 MALES 👤 8 FEMALES</p>	<p>📅 14 A 18 DE MAIO DE 2018</p> <p>Convite para o Seminário Sobre DATAD-R VI</p> <p>Mozambique</p> <p>👤 15 PARTICIPANTS 👤 12 MALES 👤 3 FEMALES</p>	<p>📅 23-26 MARCH 2018,</p> <p>Quality Assurance in African Higher Education</p> <p>Cairo Egypt</p> <p>👤 33 PARTICIPANTS 👤 11 MALES 👤 22 FEMALES</p>
<p>📅 15-17 MAY 2018,</p> <p>Research Communication and Commercialization</p> <p>Ghana</p> <p>👤 30 PARTICIPANTS 👤 25 MALES 👤 5 FEMALES</p>	<p>📅 MAY 23-25, 2018</p> <p>University Advancement</p> <p>Zimbabwe</p> <p>👤 25 PARTICIPANTS 👤 17 MALES 👤 8 FEMALES</p>	<p>📅 MAY 27 -31, 2018</p> <p>Innovative and Quality Research Methods Knowledge and Skills Training</p> <p>Zimbabwe</p> <p>👤 40 PARTICIPANTS 👤 30 MALES 👤 10 FEMALES</p>
<p>📅 MAY 29 - 31, 2018</p> <p>Regional Workshop on KOHA - An Open-Source Integrated Library System (ILS)</p> <p>Uganda</p> <p>👤 31 PARTICIPANTS 👤 17 MALES 👤 14 FEMALES</p>	<p>📅 MAY 29 - 31, 2018</p> <p>Third Resource Mobilisation Workshop (RMW III)</p> <p>Kigali, Rwanda</p> <p>👤 28 PARTICIPANTS 👤 22 MALES 👤 6 FEMALES</p>	<p>📅 7-8 MAY 2018</p> <p>Quality Assurance for Higher Education Personnel</p> <p>Gaborone, Botswana</p> <p>👤 WHOLE INSTITUTION</p>

Financial Report

Performance Report

<p>📊 TOTAL INCOME</p> <p>\$ 2,994,768 2017/2018</p> <p>\$ 2,820,332 2016/2017</p>	<p>📈 PROGRAMMES</p> <p>2017/2018 \$ 1,123,421.00</p> <p>2016/2017 \$ 1,584,813.00</p>	<p>⚙️ ADMINISTRATION</p> <p>2017/2018 \$ 1,222,186.00</p> <p>2016/2017 \$ 999,739.00</p>	<p>📄 COMM SERVE</p> <p>2017/2018 \$ 167,580.00</p> <p>2016/2017 \$ 158,957.00</p>	<p>🔄 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES</p> <p>2016/2017 \$ 131,808.00</p> <p>2017/2018 \$ 197,424.00</p>
<p>📊 EXPENDITURE</p> <p>\$ 2,875,317 2017/2018</p> <p>\$ 2,710,611 2016/2017</p>				

Grants from Donors

		TOTAL FUNDS	2016/2017 2,116,932	2017/2018 4,446,049	
 WORLD BANK WORLD BANK - ACE	2017/2018 \$ 1,190,996.06 2016/2017 \$ 995,820.00	 Sida SIDA	2017/2018 — 2016/2017 \$ 395,977.00	 THE AFRICAN CAPACITY BUILDING FOUNDATION ACBF	2017/2018 \$ 96,811.50 2016/2017 \$ 331,385.00
 Association for the Development of Education in Africa ADEA	2017/2018 — 2016/2017 \$ 40,965.00	 ECOWAS ECOWAS MOBILITY SCHEME	2017/2018 — 2016/2017 \$ 150,000.00	 HAQAA INITIATIVE Organization of African Higher Education Quality Improvement and Accreditation	2017/2018 \$ 90,950.56 2016/2017 \$ 176,044.88
 AFRIQAN	2017/2018 \$ 52,763.27 2016/2017 \$ 26,740.00	 ACTS Knowledge for Better Livelihoods	2017/2018 \$ 45,188.84 2016/2017 —	 PASET PASET RSIF	2017/2018 \$ 2,969,338.97 2016/2017 —



AAU Secretariat Staff

New Staff

During this reporting period, the Secretariat recruited the following staff who have successfully reported for duty:



Mr. Joshua Osondu Onwuzuruigbo
PASET RSIF Administrator



Miss. Millicent Afriyie Kyei
ACE Communications Assistant



Miss. Irene Dufie Addai
Project Management Assistant



Miss. Joan Akua Iyoha
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Project Management Assistant



Miss. Georgina D. Maison
Trainee Systems Developer



Mr. Rapheal Djane Kotei
Trainee Systems Developer



Miss. Nana Essumamba Sam
Marketing and Development Assistant



Mr. Jephtar Adu-Mensah
CESA Project Management Assistant

AAU's engagement with the Higher Education Network and other partners

NAME OF MEETING	DATES	VENUE
Meetings on M&E and Project Governance with the 3 ACEs in Cote d'Ivoire.	April 19 - 21, 2017	Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire
Training Workshop on University-Industry Linkages	25- 28 April, 2017	Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria
UNECA Weather & Climate Information Services for Africa (WISER) Meeting	23-26 May, 2017	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Quality Assurance for Higher Education Leaders Workshop	22-23 May, 2017	Lagos, Nigeria
African Network Operators Group Trainings and Africa Internet Summit	21-30 May, 2017	Nairobi, Kenya
10th ACE Project Steering Committee Meeting and the 7th ACE Workshop in	15-19 May, 2017	Lagos, Nigeria
Association Universite Francophone's Meeting	12 - 16 June 2017	Canada
AQRM Institutional Evaluations with Team of Quality Assurance Experts	14-22 June 2017	Ndejje University, Uganda Crawford University, Nigeria
AQRM Institutional Evaluations with Team of Quality Assurance Experts	14-22 June 2017	University of Ouagadougou II, Burkina Faso University of Science and Technology of Masuku, Gabon
AQRM Institutional Evaluations with Team of Quality Assurance Experts	16-28 June 2017	Durban University of Science & Technology, South Africa Zimbabwe Open University
10th Leadership Skills Development Workshop (LEDEV)	23 - 30 June, 2017	Kigali, Rwanda
Annual DATAD Conference	27 June – 3 July 2017	Lilongwe Malawi
Technical Workshop on Benchmarking Higher Education Management Information Systems (HEMIS)	29-30 June 2017	Mensvic Hotel, Accra



Stakeholder Engagement Workshop and Science Granting Council Initiative Annual Regional Meeting	3-7 July 2017	Pretoria, South Africa
AQRM Institutional Evaluations with Team of Quality Assurance Experts	3 – 7 July, 2017	Sudan University of Science and Technology, Sudan Catholic University of Eastern Africa, Kenya
Africa-China-World Bank Forum	10-15 July 2017	Beijing and Shanghai, China
Planning Meetings for the ICAITM 2017 Conference	11-15 July, 2017	Monrovia, Liberia
AQRM Institutional Evaluations with Team of Quality Assurance Experts	15-24 July, 2017	Egypt The DRC
Training on Conflict Resolution in A Multicultural Environment for Better Project Management	18-21 July, 2017	Akosombo, Ghana
7th MADEV Workshop	21–28 July, 2017	Kigali, Rwanda
15th International Conference on Private Higher Education in Africa	24-28 July, 2017	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
AQRM Institutional Evaluations	7-11 August, 2017	Maputo, Mozambique
12th University Advancement Workshop	14-17 August, 2017	Abuja, Nigeria
Training Workshop on Innovative and Quality Research Methods for the 21st Century	15-17 August, 2017	AAU Secretariat
HAQAA Initiative Technical Working Group Meeting on African Standards Guidelines for Quality Assurance	4-7 Sept, 2017	Brussels
11th Leadership Development Workshop	5-8 Sept, 2017	Tutu Akwapim, Ghana
Database of African Theses and Dissertations – Including Research (DATAD-R III)	8-15 Sept, 2017	Pretoria, South Africa
Resource Mobilization Workshop	11-17 Sept, 2017	Cape Town, South Africa
9th International Conference & Workshops on Quality Assurance in Higher Education in Africa	19-21 Sept, 2017	AAU Secretariat Conference Room

4th Africa Centres of Excellence Supervision Mission	26 Sept – 20 Oct, 2017	Nigeria - ACEPRD, Jos, CERHI, Benin City, CENTDFB, Zaria and CEADESE, Abeokuta CCBAD, Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire CEA-SAMEF, Dakar, Senegal
Basic Higher Education Training Skills (BHETS) Workshop	11-15 Oct, 2017	Nairobi, Kenya
Francophone Management Development (MADEV) Workshop	16-21 Oct, 2017	Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire
Training Workshop on Quality & Innovative Research	17-19 Oct, 2017	AAU Secretariat
Meeting of Experts for the drafting of the Project Working Document of the Africa Virtual and E – university	23-27 October 2017	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
3rd Planning Meeting for the African Union Committee of 10 Heads of State Championing Education, Science, Technology and Innovation in Africa	23-24 Oct 2017	Lilongwe, Malawi
RUFORUM Conference and Book Writing meeting.	24 October 2017	Lilongwe, Malawi.
Pan African Union (PAU) Council Meeting	26 October, 2017	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
QA Workshop for Higher Education Personnel	31 Oct-3 Nov 2017	Kumasi, Ghana
Baseline Surveys under the African Centre for Technology Studies (ACTS) Consortium Project on Science Granting Council Initiative (SGCI).	6-10 Nov 2017	Dakar, Senegal Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire
1st Joint ACE I and ACE II Projects Workshop, the Project Steering Committee Meeting of ACE I and the Regional Steering Committee Meeting of ACE II	7-10 November 2017	Accra, Ghana
Final Consultative meeting of the African Standards and Guidelines (ASG-QA)	15 - 18 Nov, 2017	Accra, Ghana
1st Francophone BHETS Training Workshop	21-24 Nov, 2017	Universite Nangui Abrogoua, Abidjan.
Workshop to consider the CESA Monitoring and Evaluation Indicators Framework	27 Nov - 1st Dec 2017	Addis Ababa Ethiopia
Annual German Rectors' Conference	27-30 Nov, 2017	Berlin, Germany



Resource Mobilization Workshop	4-8 Dec, 2017	Cairo, Egypt
African Open Science Platform project & Science Forum South Africa	5-8 Dec, 2017	Pretoria, South Africa
Lecture on Quality Assurance Issues in TVET	7 Dec, 2017	Ho Technical University
QA Workshop on Higher Education	11-15 Dec, 2017	Uganda
Meeting to discuss the hosting of the North Africa Regional Office of the AAU.	11-13 Dec, 2017	Cairo, Egypt
4th Global Conference 2017 on Professional Higher Education Accreditation	11-12 Dec, 2017	Dusseldorf, Germany
NREN and ICAITM Event	12-15 Dec, 2017	Monrovia, Liberia
ACE III Ministerial Consultative Meeting	15-18 Jan, 2018	Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire
AU/EFFA 2nd High Level Dialogue on Gender and Education(HLDGE)	23-25 Jan, 2018	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
The High-Level Dialogue of Heads of State organized by the African Union Commission in collaboration with the Global Partnership for Education and ONE Campaign.	26-28 Jan, 2018	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Training Workshop on University-Industry Linkages	5-8 Feb, 2018	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
BHETS Workshop	11-16 Feb 2018	Kampala, Uganda
DATAD-R Workshop	20-22 Feb 2018	AAU Secretariat
Database of African Theses and Dissertations - DATAD-R Workshop,	23 Feb - 1 March 2018	Khartoum, Sudan
Science Granting Council Initiative (SGCI) Workshop on Working Collaboratively & Communicating with the Private Sector	25 Feb-3 Mar 2018	Nairobi, Kenya
21st Century Learner-Centered Teaching Skills for Higher Education Institutions	25 February- 2 March 2018	Livingstone, Zambia.

Workshop on Good Practices in Quality Assurance	26 Feb - 1 Mar, 2018	Khartoum, Sudan.
Meeting of Experts for the Pan African Virtual and E – University	27 Feb-2 Mar 2018	Pretoria, South Africa
Stakeholders Meeting of the Pilot Project on the Demography of African Faculty Thursday being organized by AAU.	8 March, 2018	AAU Secretariat
Inauguration of the East Africa Office of the AAU at the University of Khartoum	12-16 Mar, 2018	Khartoum, Sudan
3rd Resource Mobilization Workshop	12-16 Mar, 2018	Kigali, Rwanda
ACE Supervision Missions to Health and STEM Centres	12-21 Mar 2018	Nigeria
National Conference on "Reinventing Technical and Vocational Education in Ghana"	13-16 March 2018	Koforidua, Ghana
WACREN 4th Annual Conference and 5th General Assembly	15-16 March, 2018	Lomé,Togo
Meeting to identify potential academic programmes for the Pan African Virtual and E-University from	20-23 March 2018	Ethiopia
ACE Supervision Mission to RWESCK at KNUST	22-23 Mar, 2018	Kumasi
NextEinsteinForum (NEF) Global Gathering under the patronage of H.E. Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda	26-28 March 2018	Kigali, Rwanda
Fourth Planning Meeting for the African Union Committee of 10 Heads of States Championing Education, Science and Technology in Africa	26-27 Mar, 2018	Lilongwe, Malawi
Francophone Quality Assurance and BHETS workshop	26-30 Mar, 2018	Université de Yaoundé II, Cameroon
Annual Conference of Ain Shams University	2-5 April, 2018	Cairo, Egypt
ACE Supervision Missions	3-19 April, 2018	Nigeria, Cote D'Ivoire and Senegal
5th Africa Think Tank Summit on Tackling Africa's Youth Unemployment organised by the ACBF	5-7 April, 2018	Accra, Ghana

Workshop on Design and Production of Online Courses and MOOCs organized by UNESCO	9–13 April, 2018	Abidjan, Cote D'Ivoire
African Youth Summit	18-20 April, 2018	AAU Secretariat
Africa Centers of Excellence Workshop and Project Steering Committee Meeting	6-10 May 2018	Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
Database of African Theses and Dissertations - DATAD-R Workshop,	14 – 18 May, 2018	Beira, Mozambique
Multi-Stakeholders Forum on Public-Private Partnership through Research	17 May, 2018	Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
University Advancement Workshop	23-25 May 2018	Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe
KOHA Integrated Library Management System for University Libraries	28 – 31, May, 2018	Mukono, Uganda
ICT Taskforce Meeting of the International Association of Universities	27-31 May 2018	Bucharest, Romania



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