



COMPONENT LEAD IN PAINT OF SAICM GEF PROJECT

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ECOWAS PRESENTATION

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1- ECOWAS : Geographical Coverage



2- BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- **1993:** ECOWAS Revised Treaty – Art 26 – L - In order to create a solid base for industrialization....Member States commit to....adopt common standards and adequate quality control systems
- **2010:** Adoption of **WACIP** – **West Africa Common Industrial Policy** – by ECOWAS Head of States Summit
- **2011:** Adoption of ECOQUAL - **ECOWAS Quality Policy** – by ECOWAS Head of States Summit
- **2012:** Adoption of the ECOSHAM – **ECOWAS Standards Harmonization Model & Principle** – by the Council of Ministers – Regulation C/REG.14/12/12
ECOSHAM is based on the African Standards Harmonization Model (ASHAM), and on the relevant ISO / IEC Directives. It also takes into account the WTO TBT Agreements.

3- ECOWAS Procedure to develop Harmonization standards

ECOSHAM Bodies

- A Technical Management Committee (TMC): composed of Heads of 15 National Standards Bodies.

The current chairperson of the TMC is SON (Standards Organization of Nigeria)

The Secretariat of ECOSHAM is hosted by ECOWAS Directorate of Industry

- Technical Harmonization Committees (THC): Six so far, a seventh has just be created last week: Water & Sanitization

This NWI if accepted by the TMC, will be handled by THC3: Chemical Products

4- ECOWAS Procedure to develop Harmonization standards

Stages	Activities
Registration	Registration of the Request for the New Work Item on Lead in Paint at the ECOSHAM Secretariat
Consideration by TMC	Technical Management Committee (TMC) meets to consider acceptance; If accepted, the NWI is assigned to the dedicate Technical Harmonization Committee (THC) – Chemical Products
Committee Stage	First Meeting of the THC – Chemical Products to prepare the pre-draft harmonized standard
Public Enquiry Stage	Public Enquiry led by National Standards Bodies with Mirror Committes in the 15 Member States during 60 days.
	Second Meeting of the THC – Consideration of comments and observations gathered at public enquiry stage – External experts and consultants may be invited

4- ECOWAS Procedure to develop Harmonization standards (Ctd)

Stages	Activities
Ballot Stage 1 month	The draft harmonized standard is forwarded to the NSBs for voting. Ballot period is 30 days. 75 % of positive vote = draft harmonized Standard is submitted to the TMC
Adoption stage	A ballot report is submitted together with the draft harmonized standard . The TMC then approve the draft document and refers it to validation by the Meeting of Ministers in charge of Quality.
	The meeting of Ministers in charge of Industry submits the validated draft Harmonized standard to the next Council of Ministers for adoption (Council meets twice a year)
Adoption by ECOWAS Council of Ministers	The document becomes an ECOWAS standard (ECOSTAND). It will be notified to all member States and existing national standard is superseded.

5- Implementation of lead in paint component in ECOWAS region

- November 2018, A New Work Item Request was sent to the Secretariat of ECOSHAM together with the following documents
 - Model law developed by Global Alliance /IPEN;
 - ICCM2 decision & AMCEN report & SAICM GEF Lead in Paint Component project
- January 2019, Model law have been shared to the Members of steering Committee
- July / Sept 2019: First meeting of the TMC should be organized if funds are available

6- Coordination/Reporting

- **ECOWAS Commission**

- **Coordination process**

- **Environment Directorate**
- **Industry Directorate**
- **West African Health Organization**
- **TMC Chair**
- **THC Chair**

- **Regional.....Global**

within the implementation of the Coordination process

- **RegionalNational**

coordination amongst the fifteen ECOWAS member States

7- Way Forward

- **Within the implementation of the project we expect SSFA to be signed**
- **Fund transfer**
- **Collaborative work with Partners/ Technical assistance**
 - a) ABA-ROLI,
 - b) IPEN,
 - c) US EPA,
 - d) IPPIC
 - e) Etc.



Thank You