

**Conformity and Interoperability Training for SADC
Region on Type Approval Testing for Mobile
Terminals, Homologation Procedures and Market
Surveillance**

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**Conclusions from the Assessment
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- ◆ Survey has shown that there is lack of capacity and infrastructure for an effective Conformance and Interoperability Regime.
 - Most countries rely on the documentation supplied with the ICT equipment and the presence of more popular, internationally recognized markings to be sufficient proof of meeting or conforming to (ITU/International standards)

Conclusions from the Assessment Study for EAC Countries

- ◆ **With the exception of Kenya, the study has shown that all the other EAC countries have no accreditation bodies, test laboratories and certification bodies.**
 - **Country presentations have shown the current state of affairs and how it impacts on regulatory functions and responsibilities**
 - **Issues of counterfeit products having negative impact on general QoS delivery and customer experience of use of ICTs**

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- ◆ **Lack of Mutually Recognized Agreements (MRAs) among the countries of the region and also with other regions of the world.**
 - **Coordination among the countries of the region and other regions of the world is essential**
 - **MRAs could help open the region for accelerated development in ICTs deployment.**

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◆ **Lack of capacity in the development and implementation of frameworks and regulations for conformance assessment.**

- **This calls for the upgrade of the human and technical capacities of the various NRAs in the region**
- **Participation in ITU programs i.e Study Groups (2,11) where issues of conformance to Standards are dealt with**

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