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JOINT ACE I & ACE II PROJECT WORKSHOP
(Eighth ACE I and Third ACE II Project Workshop)
ACCRA, GHANA
November 7, 8 and 9, 2017

DAY ONE: TUESDAY, 7 NOVEMBER 2017

SESSION	TIME
Arrival of Participants/Registration Facilitator: Mrs. Gabrielle Hansen	8:00am – 8:30am
Recognition of all participants Welcome remarks by (i) WB Task Team Leaders – Mr. Andreas Blom & Dr. Xiaoyan Liang (ii) AAU Secretary General, Prof. Etienne Ehile; IUCEA Executive Secretary, Prof. Alexandre Lyambabaje (iii) Introduction of Partners - Prof. Jonathan Mba & Dr. Eugene Mutimura Facilitators: Prof. Jonathan Mba & Dr. Eugene Mutimura	9:00am – 9:30am
Opening address: (i) Speech by WB Country Director for Ghana, Sierra Leone and Liberia – Mr. Henry Kerali (ii) Solidarity Messages by Hon. Minister of Health – Mr. Kwaku Agyemang-Manu (iii) Solidarity Message by Hon. Minister of Agriculture – Dr. Owusu A. Akoto (iv) Formal Opening Address by The Hon. Minister of Education - Dr. Matthew Opoku Prempeh (MP) Facilitator: Mrs. Eunice Ackwerh-Senior Education Specialist-World Bank	9:30am - 10:00am
GROUP PHOTOGRAPH/TEA/COFFEE BREAK	10:00am – 10:30am

Agenda Item 2: ACE 1 & ACE 2 Project Progress					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACE 1 Progress report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Results Progress, including disbursement and budget execution (Mrs. Adeline Addy and Mrs Himdat Bayusuf) ○ ACE 1 Supervision Mission Findings (Academic Experts - Prof. Raphael Wahome; Prof. Michelle Niescierenko; Prof. Mamadu Diallo) ○ AAU Facilitation Activities (Prof. Jonathan Mba) • ACE 2 Progress report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Results progress including disbursement and budget execution (Dr. Eugene Mutimura) ○ IUCEA/RFU Facilitation Activities ○ Supervision findings and Component 2 progress (Dr. Eugene Mutimura) • Q&A • 					10:30am-11:30am
Facilitator: Prof M. Salifu-Executive Secretary, National Commission for Tertiary Education (NCTE)-Ghana					11:30am-12:30pm
LUNCH					12:30pm-1:00pm
Parallel Sessions					
Working group 1: ACE Networking Collaborative networks: general group and 4 sub-groups including (i) Transport and ICT/Applied Math (ii) Water (iii) Engineering-Material Science/Oil & Gas/Energy and Railway (iv) Statistics & Education (STEM Experts - Prof. M. Diallo, Gen. X. Michel, Prof. G. Ekhaguere, Prof Mayunga Nkunya)	Working Group 2: ACE Networking Collaborative networks: Agriculture (Agriculture Experts - Prof. R. Wahome, Dr. C. Larsen, Prof. A. Akpa and Prof David Mkwambisi)	Working group 3: ACE Networking Collaborative networks: Health (Health Expert - Prof. M. Niescierenko, Prof. H. Galadanci and Prof N. Kiwanuka)	Performance and Support Discussion ACE I: Nigeria discussion 2:00 – 4:00 pm (CEADESE, CERHI, ACEPRD), Senegal-4.00pm-5.00pm (CEA-SAMEF) Burkina Faso (2IE) 5.00pm-6.00pm ACE II: Centers are being identified and will be communicated separately	ACE Helpdesks <u>ACE I M&E Verification Helpdesk:</u> ACEs to sign up for sessions (Mrs. Adeline Addy & Dr. Moustapha Lo) <u>ACE II: M&E Verification Helpdesk</u> <u>ACE 1 FM & Disbursement support-</u> ACEs signed up for sessions - Aissatou Diallo and Michel De Marigny <u>ACE II- FM & Disbursement support-</u> ACEs signed up for sessions- Lourdes Consuelo Linares & Issa Thiam	2.00pm-5.00pm
Guidance on sector working groups will be provided by the facilitators prior to the meetings. Objective of the sector working groups is to introduce each centers under ACE 1&2 and provide opportunities to learn and understand the different center focus for potential collaboration opportunities and peer learning. Additionally time during these sector working groups will be provided to invited selected partners to present themselves to the ACEs for potential partnerships					

DINNER					7.00PM
DAY TWO: WEDNESDAY, 8 NOVEMBER 2017					
ACTIVITY					TIME
Plenary Session on International Accreditation and Quality Assurance (Prof. Michel Cosnard from HCERES and Dr. Joe Turner from ABET) Chair: Honourable Minister of Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology of Gambia, Mr. Badara A. Joof					9:00-10:00
Plenary Session on Verification and Monitoring and Evaluation process under the ACE Project-Success, challenges and improvements- Mrs Himdat Bayusuf and Mrs. Adeline Addy					10.00-10.40
Tea/ Coffee Break					10:40-11:00
Plenary Session on Financial Management - Aissatou Diallo-Senior Finance Officer -ACE 1& Lourdes Consuelo Linares-ACE II					11.00-11.30
Parallel Sessions					11.30-1.00pm
<u>Working group 1:</u> ACE Networking Collaborative networks: general group and 4 sub-groups including (i) ICT (ii) Water (iii) Material Science (iv) Statistics & Education) (STEM Experts - Prof. M. Diallo, Gen. X. Michel, Prof. G. Ekhaguere, Prof Mayunga Nkunya)	<u>Working Group 2:</u> ACE Networking Collaborative networks: Agriculture (Agriculture Experts - Prof. R. Wahome, Dr. C. Larsen, Prof. A. Akpa and Prof David Mkwambisi)	<u>Working group 3:</u> ACE Networking Collaborative networks: Health Health Expert - Prof. M. Niescierenko, Prof. H. Galadanci and Prof N. Kiwanuka)	<u>Performance and Support Discussion</u> ACE I: Benin 11.30 – 1.00pm ACE II: Centers are being identified and will be communicated separately	<u>ACE Helpdesks</u> <u>ACE I M&E Verification Helpdesk:</u> ACEs to sign up for hourly sessions (Adeline & Moustapha) <u>ACE II: M&E Verification Helpdesk</u> <u>ACE 1 FM & Disbursement support-</u> ACEs signed up for sessions -Aissatou Diallo and Michel De Marigny <u>ACE II- FM & Disbursement support-</u> ACEs signed up for sessions- Lourdes Consuelo Linares & Issa Thiam	
Parallel Sessions-ACE Networking Collaborative Networks					
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					2:00pm – 4.00pm

Prof Mayunga Nkunya)	Prof David Mkwambisi)		ACE II: Centers are being identified and will be communicated separately	<u>ACE 1 FM & Disbursement support-</u> ACEs signed up for sessions -Aissatou Diallo and Michel De Marigny <u>ACE II- FM & Disbursement support-</u> ACEs signed up for sessions- Lourdes Consuelo Linares & Issa Thiam		
Plenary Session on Graduate tracer studies and institutional benchmarking (required for ACEIIs and optional for ACEI) Dr. Boqing Wang (MyCos Data) Facilitator: Dr. Ekuia Bentil						4:00pm – 5:00pm

DAY THREE: THURSDAY, 9 NOVEMBER 2017

ACTIVITY	TIME
Plenary session on university industry linkage Speakers: Dr Ivan Twagirishema (Rwanda CEO of Ngali Holdings), Richard Edema of Uganda MaCCRI, Daniel Redda of Ethiopia ARERI, and Prof. Longbai Wei (China Zhejiang University) Facilitator: Javier Botero (Lead Education Specialist, World Bank)	9.00 – 10.00 am
Thematic Reporting from Experts	10:00-11.00am
ACE Project Workshop Wrap Up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Potential ACE Scale-up - Important Decisions - ACE Monitoring & Supervision Missions and other Key Next Steps - ACE Project Evaluation Survey - Brief Closing Remarks Facilitators: Mr. Andreas Blom & Dr. Xiaoyan Liang / Prof. Jonathan Mba & Dr. Eugene Mutimura	11.00am-1.00pm
LUNCH	1.00pm - 2:00PM
Site visits to WACCI and WACCBIP at the University of Ghana, Legon	3.00pm-5:00PM

DAY FOUR: FRIDAY, 10 NOVEMBER 2017

ACTIVITY		TIME
ACE I: Project Steering Committee Meeting	ACE II: Regional Steering Committee Meeting	9:00am – 1:00pm
Joint Lunch, RSIF discussion (Dr. Sajitha Bashir will share RSIF concept and plan), and closing of ACE meetings		1:00pm– :200pm
ACE III Meeting		2:00-5:00pm