Sixteenth Technical Committee Meeting and Fourth TAGDev Steering Committee Meeting
2nd December, 2019

Venue: Academic Board Chamber, University of Cape Coast

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Background
The Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM) is currently implementing its Agricultural Higher Education, Science Technology and Innovation (AHESTI) strategy (Vision 2030) strategy. This is based on four flagship areas: i) Transforming African Agricultural Universities to meaningfully contribute to Africa’s growth and development (TAGDev); ii) Partnership of Anchor Universities Developing Agriculture (RANCH); iii) Cultivating Research and Teaching Excellence (CREATE); and iv) Knowledge Hub for University Networking, Partnerships and Advocacy (K-Hub). The strategy makes bold commitments that are transformative, engaging and challenging for success, requiring a business unusual operational approach. The TAGDev flagship has entered its fourth year of operation indicating that it commenced two years prior to the launch of the finalised AHESTI. The TAGDev flagship is overseen by the Steering Committee consisting of eminent persons from across Africa. Owing to its advisory role, the TAGDev Steering Committee has routinely held joint sessions with the RUFORUM Technical Committee to provide advice, quality assurance and technical backstopping to the TAGDev implementation team at the RUFORUM Secretariat and the two implementing universities, i.e., Egerton University and Gulu University. During the 15th Annual General Meeting (AGM), a third joint Technical Committee and TAGDev Steering meeting which also doubles as the 16th Technical Committee meeting will be held at the University of Cape Coast, Ghana.

Objectives
The specific of objectives of the meeting are:
1. Receive and consider progress in the implementation of resolutions and recommendations of the TC and Joint TC-TAGDev Steering Committee.
2. Review pre-midterm progress, including emerging issues and and challenges from the TAGDev implementation team at Gulu University, Egerton University and RUFORUM Secretariat.
3. Receive and advise on the proposed RUFORUM TVET Strategy and RUFORUM Youth and Community Development Strategy.
4. Provide input and guidance on the proposed five continental initiatives

**Approach and Methodology**
The meeting will be conducted as a formal business meeting and will be presided by the Chairperson. The RUFORUM Secretariat will support the meeting process by providing all necessary reference documents. The Secretariat will serve to document the meeting minutes.

**Venue and participants**
The meeting will be held at Academic Board Chamber, University of Cape Coast, Ghana at the side-lines of the 15th RUFORUM AGM. The participants to this meeting include:
1. RUFORUM TC members
2. TAGDev Steering Committee
3. TAGDev Programme Coordinators at Gulu University and Egerton University
4. RUFORUM Secretariat staff

**Agenda**

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