

Agenda

The Alliance for Accelerating Excellence in Science in Africa Independent Strategic and Scientific Advisory Board (AESA-ISSAB) Meeting

Venue: AAS Office

17th and 18th March 2016

Proposed Agenda:

1. Introductory comments by AESA Director
2. Introduction of ISSAB members
3. Discussion and endorsement of ISSAB terms of reference
4. Discussion of AESA report and future plans
5. Identification of specific areas of strategic and scientific advice to be provided to the Director of AESA in the coming year
6. Presentation of the joint funders review report
7. Presentation of the draft AESA Business Plan
8. AOB

Invited:

1. Abdallah Daar
2. Aida Opoku-Mensah
3. Akica Bahri
4. Charles Mgone
5. Christian Borgemeister
6. Fil Randazzo
7. Francisca Mutapi
8. Paul Sagnia
9. Tom Kariuki

Please read

1. ISSAB Terms of Reference
2. AESA brief
3. AESA Business Plan
4. AESA Programmatic Report

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Day One 17th March 2016

8.45 AM	Arrival at AAS	
9.00 AM	Introduction of ISSAB members	Abdallah Daar
9.20 AM	Welcome remarks	Berhanu Abegaz
9.40 AM	Chair's welcome remarks & presentation of ISSAB TOR's	Abdallah Daar
10.00 AM	Overview of AESA ¹	Tom Kariuki
10.20 AM	Programme updates <ul style="list-style-type: none">DELTA² status by Alphonsus Neba, Programme Manager	Tom Kariuki
10.40 AM	Break	
11.00 AM	Programme updates continued <ul style="list-style-type: none">GCA³ status by Evelyn Gitau, Programme ManagerGFGP⁴ status by , Michael Kilpatrick, Senior AAS AdvisorCIRCLE⁵ status by Benjamin Gyampoh, Programme ManagerMonitoring & Evaluation Approach for AESA Programmes, Josephine Karuri, M&E Manager	Tom Kariuki
12.30 PM	AAS set-up, operations and programmes	Anne Kimari
12.45 PM	Lunch	
2.00 PM	Think Tank, Advocacy and Partnerships <ul style="list-style-type: none">Evelyn Namubiru-Mwaura, Policy & Strategy Manager	Tom Kariuki
2.30 PM	Discussions and Day-1 debriefing	Abdallah Daar
3.30 PM	Break	
4.00 PM	Departure to Hotel	
7.00 PM	Dinner	

¹ Alliance for Accelerating Excellence in Science in Africa

² Developing Excellence in Leadership, Training and Science (DELTA) Africa

³ Grand Challenges Africa (GCA)

⁴ Good Financial Grants Practice (GFGP)

⁵ Climate Impact Research Capacity and Leadership Enhancement

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Day Two 18th March 2016

8.45 AM	Arrival at AAS	
8.55 AM	Recap of Day 1	Susan Gichoga
9.00 AM	Presentation of the joint funders review report	Nidhee Jadeja
9.10 AM	Discussions on funders review report	Abdallah Daar
9.20 AM	Presentation of the draft AESA business Plan	Tom Kariuki
9.40 AM	Discussions on AESA Business Plan	Abdallah Daar
10.00 AM	Break	
10.20 AM	Identification of specific areas of strategic and scientific advice to be provided to the Director of AESA in the coming year	Abdallah Daar
12.45 PM	lunch	
2.00 PM	Final Resolutions, Way Forward, Date for next ISSAB Meeting	Abdallah Daar
3.00 PM	Closing remarks	Julia Kemp
3.15 PM	Cocktails with AAS Staff and Departures	

