

## **First Announcement**

### **PAN-AFRICAN METROLOGY SCHOOL**

A Pan-African Metrology School is being scheduled for the first quarter of 2011 (most probably 7 to 18 February 2011) as part of a UNIDO/NORAD project for the Institutional Strengthening of the Intra-Africa Metrology System. A promotional leaflet will be made available in the next 2 months or so and distributed widely containing further details about the event.

There will be no charge for attending the Metrology School. However, we regret that the organizers of the Metrology School are unable to sponsor candidates for travel, accommodation, per diem or any other associated expenses of the nominated candidate(s).

This is the time of year when many organizations are closing off the financial year. New budget monies become available as of 01 April 2010 for the period ending March 2011. There is little doubt that most budgets are under pressure given the global economic situation.

Thus, this is a special request for you to please alert your constituents about the Pan-African Metrology School (the first one) and advise them to allocate some monies to this good cause right from the start of their financial year. Monies required by the candidate(s) would include, a return air-ticket to the country of the host organization, VISA (if required), accommodation and per diem for 13 nights (arrival day before, 10 days school and 2 days week-end) etc.

Ideally, we hope to attract the participation of at least one legal and one scientific/industrial metrologist per country. We expect to conclude discussions with a host organization by the end of May 2010 and will keep you informed.

We emphasize that there will be no charge for attending the Metrology School and that candidates will be required to pay their own travel/visa/accommodation/per diem/personal expenses. It would be wise to allocate some monies for this investment from the start of the 2010/2011 financial year.

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