

## Addis Convention

- **June 2017:** SAQA delivered two presentations at the *High-level Conference on the Addis Ababa Convention and the Role of STEM Higher Education to Achieve Sustainable Development* that took place in Botswana;
- **April 2017:** Hosts a capacity building workshop for SADC countries, on the *Addis Convention*;
- **September 2015:** Workshop on the Addis Convention with the NQF family at SAQA House;
- **August 2015:** SAQA submitted a paper and delivered a presentation at the International Education Association of South Africa (IEASA) Conference on *Building Trust: The Addis Convention, The National Qualifications Framework and Quality Assurance in South Africa*;
- **July 2015:** SAQA participated in the meeting of the *Informal Working Group for the Implementation of the 2014 Addis Convention* held in Paris;
- **June/ July 2015:** SAQA published in the Business Brief- an article on the Addis Convention called *Qualifications mobility gone global*;
- **December 2014:** SAQA participated in the *Conference of States for the relaunch of the Revised Arusha Convention* as part of the official South African delegation, and served on the drafting team;
- **December 2014:** SAQA presented a paper and presentation on “*Building Trust: Qualifications Frameworks and Quality Assurance in Higher Education*” at the Pre-conference Arusha Convention International Seminar in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia;

## Development of Qualifications Frameworks

- **October 2017:** SAQA updated the South Africa report for the UNESCO global inventory on NQFs published every two years;
- **June 2017:** SAQA produced a report on *trends in qualifications mobility in the SADC*

*region;*

- **February 2017:** SAQA participated in a study visit to the *European Commission* in Brussels; and delivered a presentation at the *EQF Advisory Group* meeting on 9 February;
- **November 2016:** A *SAQA Bulletin, Volume 16, number 1: Qualifications Frameworks: Lessons, Reflections, Priorities for the Future* was produced following the International Qualifications Frameworks Seminar (IQFS);
- **November 2016:** SAQA presented an NQF workshop at the *Conference on Getting Organised for Better Qualifications* that was organised by the *European Training Foundation* in Brussels;
- **May 2016:** SAQA hosted an International Qualifications Framework Seminar (IQFS) in Cape Town;

## Development of World Reference Levels

- **October 2017:** Field-tested the World Reference Levels with three South African qualifications;
- **September 2017:** SAQA produced an article on *World Reference Levels: A global learning outcomes initiative to promote recognition of learning*;
- **June 2017:** SAQA participated in the *6<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Committee of Experts (CoE) on World Reference Levels (WRLs)* that took place in Paris;
- **November 2016:** SAQA participated in the *5<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Committee of Experts (CoE) on World Reference Levels (WRLs)* that took place in Brussels;
- **May 2016:** SAQA participated in the *4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Committee of Experts (CoE) on World Reference Levels (WRLs)* that took place in Cape Town;
- **December 2015:** SAQA participated in the *3<sup>rd</sup> Experts Meeting on World Reference Levels of Learning Outcomes* that took place in Paris;
- **April 2015:** SAQA participated in the *2<sup>nd</sup> Experts Meeting on World Reference Levels of Learning Outcomes*;
- **2014:** SAQA participated in the *Seminar on World Reference Levels (WRLs) of learning outcomes- the use of level descriptors in the 21<sup>st</sup> century* that took place in Paris;
- **September 2014:** SAQA produced the first draft of the UNESCO research on world reference levels: *Level best: A global study on the use of level descriptors in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*.

## Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

- **April 2017:** SAQA delivered a keynote address at, and participated in, UNESCO's 2<sup>nd</sup> *Validation of Prior Learning (VPL) Biennale* in Aarhus, Denmark. SAQA also submitted the 'Case of RPL in South Africa'. South Africa won second prize at this event;
- **April 2016 and February 2017:** SAQA produced updates on the South African RPL profile and RPL cases for publication by the *Unesco Institute for Life-Long Learning*;

## Skills qualifications and Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET)

- **October 2017:** SAQA delivered a presentation on the SADCQF and its implications for TVET at the *East and Southern Africa UNEVOC TVET Leadership Seminar on Capacity building for transformational TVET leaders- Vision, Knowledge, Skills*, that took place in Harare, Zimbabwe from 23- 27 October 2017;
- **July 2017:** SAQA participated as a plenary panel member and attended the *Skills on the move: Global trends, local resonances conference* that was held in China;
- **October 2016:** SAQA presented the African Qualifications Verification Network (AQVN) at the *Scarce jobs and sustainable development: global trends and local challenges conference* that took place in Paris;
- **March 2016:** SAQA participated in the *UNESCO and SADC TVET Qualifications Frameworks Meeting and SADC Technical Committee Meeting of the TVET* that took place in Malawi;
- **October 2014:** SAQA participated in the UNEVOC global TVET forum, and delivered a keynote address on *Progress on skills development in South Africa*.

## Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

- **October 2017:** SAQA participated in the *Unesco Sustainable Development Goals Report Indicators* stakeholder consultation organised by the Department of Basic Education and the Unesco National Commission Secretariat.