

AFRICA ACADEMY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH WORKSHOP NAIROBI KENYA 17 – 20 AUGUST 2009

The Africa Academy for Environmental Health held its second workshop in Nairobi Kenya with the main aim of finalising the Africa curriculum for environmental health as well as a quality management manual for environmental health training programmes.

The workshop was well attended with environmental health academics representing the following Universities in Africa: South Africa, Botswana, Swaziland, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Malawi, Tanzania, Kenya, Strathclyde in Glasgow and the University of Ulster in Ireland. Representation from the profession of environmental health, professional associations as well as Ministries responsible for environmental health also actively part take in the workshop.

The workshop was formally opened by the Vice-Chancellor of the Moi University in Eldoret Kenya. A curriculum development practitioner and quality management specialists from the Tshwane University of Technology in Pretoria, South Africa facilitated the workshop. The workshop in Kenya was a follow-up from the workshop that was held in Pretoria, South Africa.

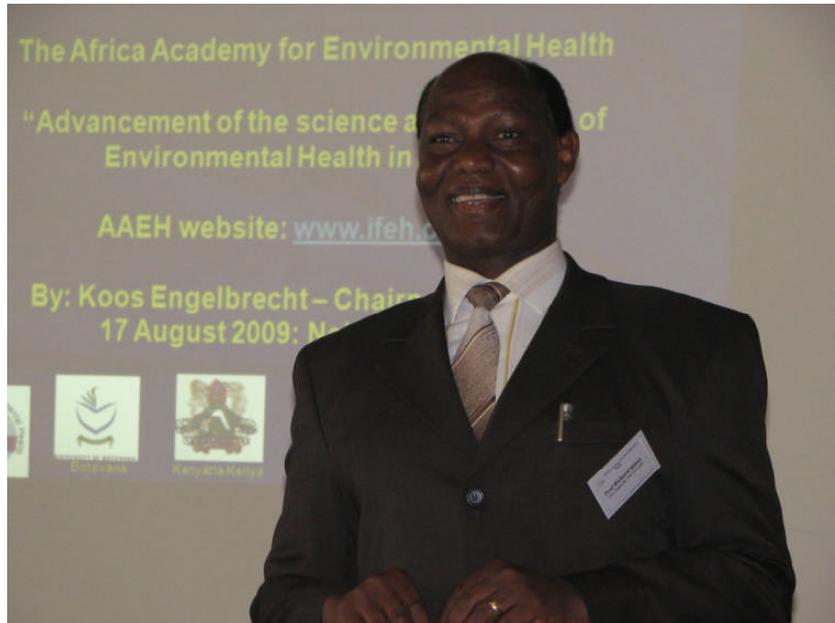
The objectives of the workshop were achieved and the following deliverables were met:

- A curriculum that addresses the structure of the curriculum, the outcomes to be achieved in the following areas was completed: Food and meat safety, occupational health and safety, environmental pollution, epidemiology and community health, build environment, professional skills and basic science. The curriculum will be finally refined at meeting to be held in Pretoria during January 2010. An article(s) will be published and the curriculum presented at the 2nd All Africa Congress on Environmental Health to be held in Lilongwe, Malawi during May 2010. Thereafter the final document will be made available to interested Institutions in Africa for benchmarking and possible use in developing and reviewing environmental health curriculum. A process parallel to the Africa curriculum is to ensure that the curriculum is in line with the development of an international curriculum and the Africa Academy for Environmental Health will work together with our international colloquies to assist with such development.
- The second objective, to draft a quality manual for environmental health programmes in Africa was finalised at the workshop. The manual includes the framework, quality criteria and guidelines for the criteria. It was decided to pilot the manual at the Universities of Botswana and Swaziland with the aim to refine the manual. Article(s) will be published on the work done and it is foreseen to present the final quality manual at the Congress in Blantyre Malawi in May 2010.

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PHOTO GALLERY OF THEWORKSHOP



The Vice Chancellor Prof R Mibey from the Moi University, Eldoret, Kenya conducting the formal opening of the workshop



Delegates visiting the Kenyatta University in Nairobi Kenya



Workshop delegates that participated at the Nairobi workshop



Delegates participating at the workshop in Nairobi, Kenya