# **ACCESSION AGREEMENT**

**OF** 

RWANDA ENGINEERING COUNCIL

TO

THE MUTUAL RECOGNITION AGREEMENT

**BETWEEN** 

**COMPETENT AUTHORITIES** 

OF

THE ENGINEERING PROFESSIONS

IN

THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY







UNITED in their desire to pursue the attainment of the Mutual Recognition Agreement between the Competent Authorities of the Engineering Professions in the East African Community ('the Agreement')

**DESIRING** in the spirit of the Agreement to enhance cooperation in professional engineering services amongst the EAC Partner States in order to improve the efficiency and competitiveness, diversity production capacity and supply and distribution of services and the services suppliers with the Partners States;

CONSIDERING that Article 11.3 of the Agreement affords Competent Authorities other than the Engineers Board of Kenya, the Engineers Registration Board of the Republic of Uganda and the Engineers Registration Board of the United Republic of Tanzania be party to the Agreement;

RECALLING that the Competent Authority of Rwanda (Rwanda Engineering Council) on the one hand and the Competent Authorities of Republic of Kenya (Engineers Board of Kenya)
Republic of Uganda (Engineers Registration Board) and the United Republic of Tanzania
(Engineers Registration Board) on the other hand, had not carried our conformity assessments of their professions;

AWARE that acceding to the Agreement entails the performance of conformity assessments between Rwanda Engineering Council and the Competent Authorities of the other Partners States;

NOTING that the joining of the Rwanda Engineering Council into the Agreement entails the conclusion of an accession Agreement;

**HAVE DECIDED** to establish by common agreement the conditions of accession to the Rwanda Engineering Council;

#### Article 1

### Interpretation

In this Agreement, except where the context otherwise requires;

- "Accession" refers to an act by which one Competent Authority becomes a party to the A greement;
- "Agreement" refers to the Mutual Recognition Agreement of Engineers in East Africa;
- "Competent Authority" has the same meaning assigned to it under Article 1 of the Agreement;
- "Partner State" has the same meaning assigned to it under Article 1 of the Agreement;
- "This Agreement" refers to the Accession Agreement of Rwanda Engineering Council to the Agreement;



#### Article 2

#### Accession

- 1. The Rwanda Engineering Council hereby becomes a party to the Agreement by which the Agreement is supplemented.
- 2. The conditions of admission, levels of co-operation and accession to the Agreement entailed by such admission shall be those agreed to by the parties to this Agreement.
- 3. The provisions concerning the rights and obligations of Rwanda Engineering Council and the powers and jurisdictions of the Competent Authorities of the Engineering Profession as set out in the Agreement shall apply in respect of this Agreement.

#### Article 3

## Signature and Depository

This Agreement shall be signed by the Rwanda Engineering Council and upon signature, the Republic of Rwanda shall deposit the signed instrument with the Secretary General of the East African Community.

#### Article 4

Entry	into	Force
		ı

IN FAITH WHEREOF the undersigned have appended their signatures hereto:

Eng. John KALAMAGYE REGISTAR RWANDA GOVERNING COUN

RWANDA GOVERNING COUNCIL REPUBLIC OF RWANDA

Eng. Ronald NAMUGERA

REGISTRAR CENGINEERING REGISTRATION BOARD REPUBLIC OF UGANDA

Eng. Nicholas M.MUSUNI

REGISTRAR

ENGINEERING BOARD OF KENYA

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

Eng. Steven MLOTE

REGISTRAR

ENGINEERING REGISTRATION BOARD UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

