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Quality Infrastructure in Kenya TIPS Development Dialogue



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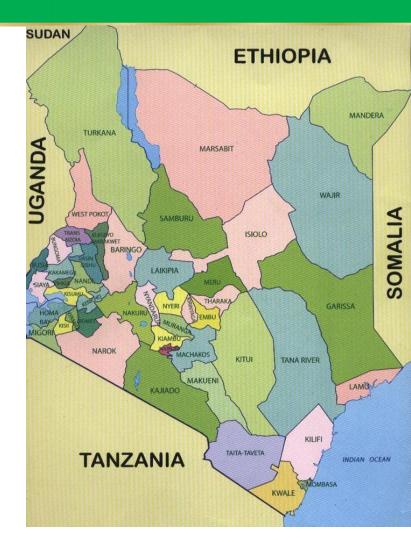
In summary...

- 1. Kenya's Quality Infrastructure Development
- 2. About KENAS in brief
- 3. Post COVID-19 Opportunities
- 4. Questions

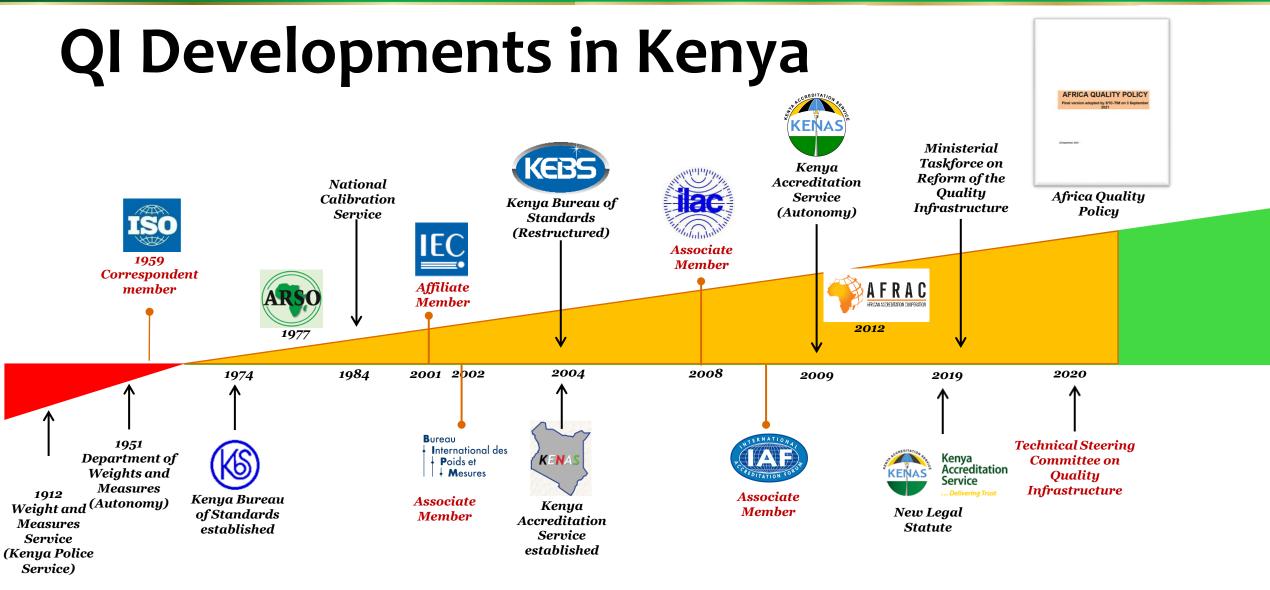


Kenya (independence 1963)

- Size 580 367 sq. kms
- 5 Neighbours
- 47.6 million population
- Pre-COVID growth 5.7%
- East Africa Community (EAC)
- Signatory to AfCFTA

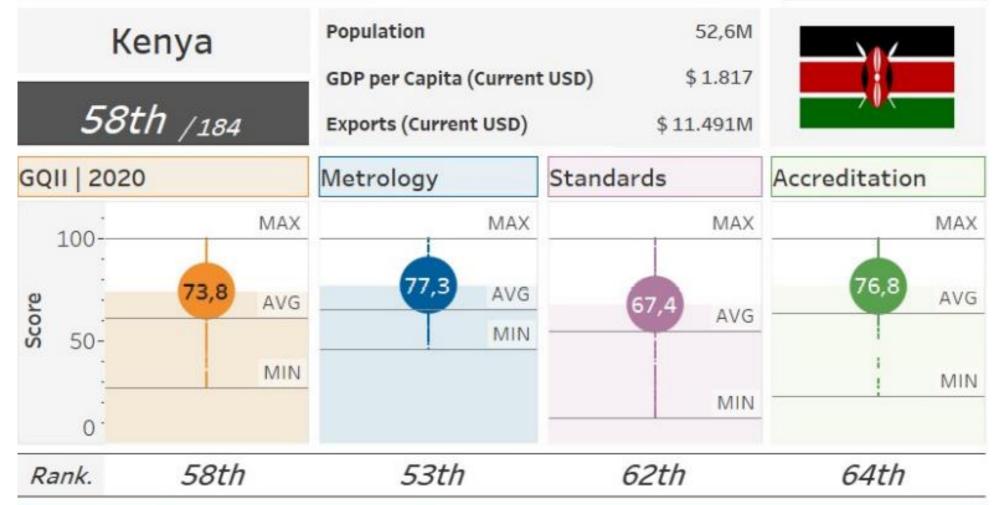








QI status of Kenya GQII





Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS)

- National Standards Body (600 standards per year)
- National Metrology Institute
- National Regulator (Imported products)
- National Regulator (Food, Material and Consumer products) – 12,000 Certified products
- National Quality Institute





Kenya Accreditation Service (KENAS)

- National Accreditation Body
- Only accreditation body in the East African Community





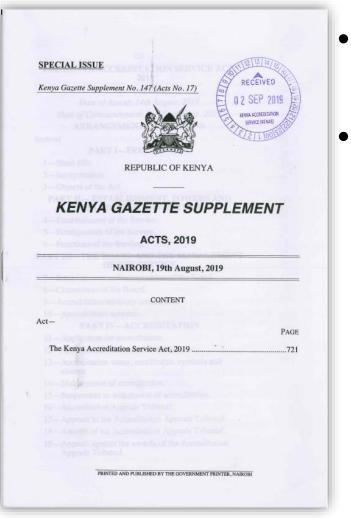
Department of Weights and Measures

- National Legal Metrology Institute (Under the Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and Enterprise Development)
- 47 County Weights and Measures established (Devolved Government)





2019 New Legal Framework...



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- Kenya Accreditation Service Act 2019 (Act No. 17 of 2019) – Section 6
- East African Community SQMT Act 2006

to carry out accreditation of conformity assessment providers which include calibration, general testing, medical testing, and proficiency testing laboratories, inspection, verification and certification bodies in all the economic sectors



Strategic orientation (1)... Vision–

a symbol of trust in quality, safety and environmental assurance

Mission-

to provide greater confidence in accredited conformity assessment services to businesses, government, regulators, consumers and the public



Strategic orientation (2)... Key programmes–

- 1. Accreditation and Assessment services
- 2. Training and Knowledge transfer services
- 3. Information and advisory services
- 4. Institutional development and governance



KENAS in numbers (1)



4 Accreditation Schemes: Testing, Calibration, Medical testing, Inspection and Certification

Active accreditation in **7 countries** – Ghana, India, Rwanda, Somalia, Sudan, Tanzania, The Gambia and Uganda

228 Accredited Clients (active)

29 Clients under initial assessment



Post COVID-19 and QI

- Technical Steering Committee on development of National Quality Policy (Ministry of Industrialization)
- Africa Quality Policy, September 2021
- Standardization remote meeting and free standards for PPE related
- Accreditation remote assessments and accreditation for SAR-COR2
- Metrology calibration for thermo guns, ventilators



Questions...



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