Research findings in the recent past have indicated that Eastern African countries have a high potential of trading within the global markets since the agricultural sector contributes a larger percentage to their country’s GDP. However, this has not been realized yet due to lack of implementation and application of harmonized regional grains standards. The East African Community (EAC) together with the Eastern Africa Grain Council (EAGC) have worked towards the harmonization of regional grain standards that were gazetted in 2013 and the revised version gazetted in 2017. It is important to note that harmonized regional standards for cereals and pulses contribute significantly to improved regional grain trade as stakeholders have a common business language with regard to quality and standards requirements. In order to increase application of the gazetted harmonized regional standards, potential actors require knowledge and information about these standards in order to understand how they can jointly contribute to their implementation and compliance with the aim of supporting increased grain trade in the region.

About the Course

The Eastern Africa Grain Council (EAGC), through its specialized training and capacity building Division the Eastern Africa Grain Institute (EAGI) is pleased to invite you to the above three-day training course that blends both theory and practical sessions and will cover the following:

- Overview of grain quality standards for selected grains
- Sampling of selected grains (appropriate sampling procedures)
- Determination of grades (grading)
- Laboratory testing (Standard and Non-standard methods)
- Grain Quality Control

Course Objective

Participants attending this course will be able to achieve the following objectives

- Increase their knowledge on appropriate sampling, testing and grading methodologies
- Obtain certification as graders on grading of grains and quality control to ensure their grading criteria meets the required standards
- Learn and support the adoption of the harmonized regional standards in an effort to increase grain trade in the region
- Appreciate and participate in implementing the harmonized grading procedures at a regional level

Who should attend:

Graders and quality control officers in grain warehouses and from Government Officials

Your Investment

This covers training tuition fees, training materials, lunch and refreshments and field visit to a grain handling facility. Participants will be required to make their own separate arrangement for accommodation and travel.

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