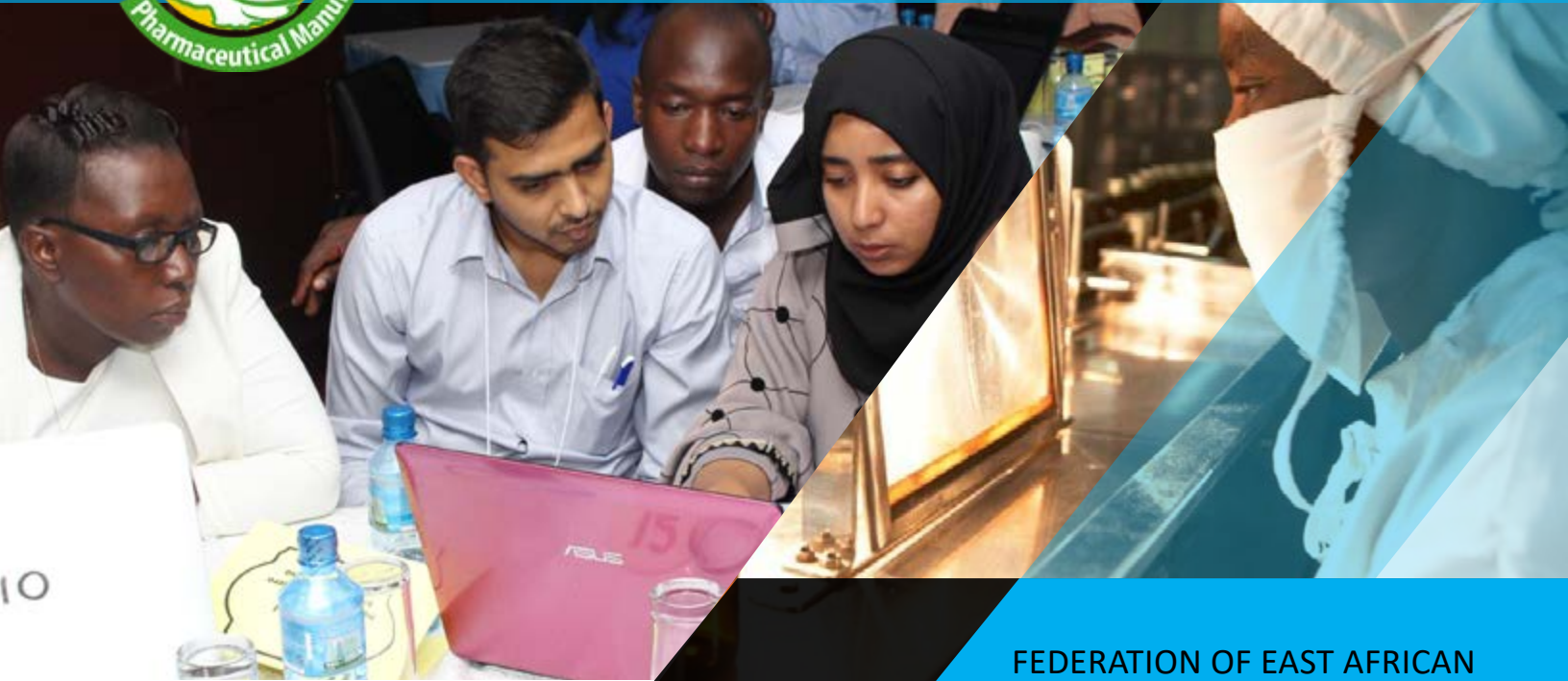




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THE PAST YEAR IN FEAPM

The Federation of East African Pharmaceutical Manufacturers has over the passed year soldiered on with our mission "to strengthen local pharmaceutical production capacity to meet at least 50% of EAC's demand for quality, affordable medicines by the year 2020" by partnering with institutions like GIZ, UNIDO, GFA, PTB and USP.



1ST International Conference on Promoting East Africa Pharmaceutical Sector Investments

The East African Community (EAC) Secretariat in collaboration with the EAC Partner States held the “1st International Conference on Promoting Pharmaceutical Sector Investments in the EAC Region” at the Laico Regency Hotel in Nairobi, Kenya from 2nd to 4th November 2016.

Hon. Josiane Nijimbere, Burundi’s Minister of Public Health underscored the importance of the health sector for the citizens of East Africa as the EAC integration agenda aims at improving sharply the standard of living for East African Citizenry.
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36
participants
all partner states



International Generic Medicines Manufacturers Exchange 19-20 July, 2016

With support from the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH (GIZ), hosted an exchange workshop in Nairobi on 19-20 July 2016.

Participants recognised existing differences in the markets they currently operate in with regards to geographical reach, the size of the local market, market shares in local markets, the market structure, and the number of companies manufacturing generic products within the market. There was also a difference identified in the ability of the respective industries to contribute to GDP and foreign exchange income. Differences were also observed in the structure, management, income, and self-reliance of the associations.

Despite these differences, many areas of common concern, such as improving overall market share for generic products, lobbying for national change, as well as regional and global trade policies, and commitment to promoting Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) within the industry were identified. Participants expressed an interest to share their knowledge and learn from each other during the workshop. They were also keen to explore areas of potential collaboration to develop initiatives for future implementation.

26
participants
x countries



The 4th EAC Regional Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Plan Of Action Project Implementation Steering Committee Workshop

The EAC Secretariat and the Partner States put in place the EAC Regional Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Plan of Action (EACRPMPOA), 2012-2016, to enhance the provision of safe, efficacious and affordable quality essential medicines in the region. To enable implementation of the plan a regional implementation steering committee made up of representatives of the EA was established in 2013.

To coordinate the activities at regional level, consider the progress of implementation of the EACRPMPOA and discuss the priority activities of the PTB project on Quality Infrastructure, the EAC Secretariat in collaboration with its’ partners GIZ and PTB organized for the 4th EAC RPMPOA Project Implementation Steering Committee workshop that was held on 25th to 27th April, 2016.

36
participants
10 countries



EXPERTS' GROUP MEETING ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF EAC PHARMACEUTICAL MANUFACTURING PLAN OF ACTION (EACRPMPOA) 2017-2027



The meeting took place in Arusha Tanzania with the purpose to facilitate the review and validation of the EACRPMPOA.

The broad objective of the meeting was to give inputs to the EAC-RPMPOA: 2017-2027 which shall serve as a blue print for the development of the pharmaceutical manufacturing in the EAC.

The specific objectives were to:

1. Review the draft plan of action and provide inputs towards its finalization.
2. Provide inputs to the proposed strategic interventions and actions including the performance matrix with SMART and budgeted activities.
3. Identify priority intervention areas for each Partner State.
4. Review the Monitoring and Evaluation Framework, with key milestones and indicators for the draft EAC-RPMPOA and to
5. Outline an overall budget for the EAC-RPMPOA: 2017- 2027, including funding and resource mobilization.

FEAPM Academia Internship Programme Workshops

Development of appropriate skills and knowledge on pharmaceutical production is one of the ways to ensure that the sector has and sustains qualified and competent personnel. To this end, the EAC and several partners (GIZ, GFA, UNIDO, PTb, USP) implemented a series of workshops focused on the Internship Program. The workshops consisted of 1) Incubation Trainings, 2) Reflection Workshop and 3) Training of Trainers workshop

