

GROUP 4 COMESA, SADC

1. What are the capacity building activities required for apiculture products and services?

- Honey harvesting training required
- Commercial management of apiaries (harvesting, processing, packaging and storage)
- Record keeping
- Basic beekeeping skills
- Manufacturing of beekeeping equipment

2. Priorities in Standards development which Standards should be developed first?

PRODUCTION

- WDS –ARS 1402:2016, Beehives –specification (1)
- WDS –ARS 1412:2016, Conservation and maintenance of honeybees (2)
- WDS –ARS 1416:2016, Beeman 's kit –specification (3)
- WDS –ARS 1410:2016, Travelling bees box –specification (4)
- WDS –ARS 1420:2016, Sustainability criteria for beekeeping and bee products (5)
- WDS –ARS 1421:2016, Bee pollination services –Requirements and guidelines (6)
- WDS –ARS 1417:2016, Package bee box –specification (7)
- WDS –ARS 1404:2016, Fumigant strips of treatment of honeybees (8)
- WDS –ARS 1404:2016, Wasp trap (9)
- WDS –ARS 1404:2016, Comb foundation mill-specification (10)
- WDS –ARS 1404:2016, Folding and fixed beehive stands –specifications (11)

PRODUCT

- WDS –ARS 1419:2016, Honey –specification (1)
- WDS-1401:2016, Crude and refined beeswax-specification (2)
- WDS –ARS 1422:2016, Organic honey certification –Requirement and guidelines (3)
- WDS-ARS 1423:2016, Propolis, pollen and bee venom-specifications (4)
- ISO 12824:2016, Royal jelly –specifications (adoption proposal) (5)
- WDS –ARS 1403:2016, Extracted honey –specification (6)

PROCESSING

- WDS –ARS 1418:2016, Honey processing unit –Technical requirements (1)
- WDS –ARS 1408:2016, Layout for honey processing plant (2)
- WDS –ARS 1406:2016, Tangential type honey extractor –specification (3)
- WDS –ARS 1415:2016, Solar wax extractor – Specification (4)
- WDS –ARS 1411:2016, Radial type honey extractor –specification (5)
- WDS –ARS 1409:2016, Comb foundation mill –specification (6)

3. What are the expected technical services in Apiculture to assure Quality

- Capacity building i.e. Farmers should be aware of the importance
- Good analytic laboratories

- Honey Inspectors (Extension, technical services)
- Code of practice
- Standard operating procedures

4. Extension services in beekeeping

Categories of trainings and training modules

- 1) Basic trainings on beekeeping (1)
- 2) Training on scientific beekeeping (4)
- 3) Specialized trainings on beekeeping (3)
- 4) Trainings on post- harvest management of beehive products (2)