

## SADCAS and NA Sign Technology Transfer Agreement



*From left to right: Mr Hauge—NA CEO; Mrs Mutasa—SADCAS CEO and Ms Ranorovelo—SADCAS Technical Manager during the signing ceremony.*

SADCAS and Norwegian Accreditation (NA) signed a Technology Transfer Agreement on 30 March 2009 at SADCAS office in Gaborone, Botswana. According to the agreement, NA will assist SADCAS to develop its Quality Management System as well as provide SADCAS with the Electronic Accreditation Process and Package (EDNA). EDNA is an IT software package for the coordination and management of the accreditation process. The NA team comprising of Mr Hauge – Director General NA and Messrs Birkeland and Figenschou were working on site at SADCAS office from 25 March to 4 April 2009. This assistance will go a long way in bringing SADCAS accreditation operations up to speed thus provide the much needed assurance in the data generated by conformity assessment bodies (testing/ calibration laboratories, certification and inspection bodies) operating within SADC region.



## Diary of Upcoming Events

Dates	Meetings	Venue
2 – 3 March 2009	ILAC Executive Committee	Paris, France
3 – 4 March 2009	SADC Technical Regulatory Liaison Committee and SADC TBT Stakeholders Committee meetings	Gaborone, Botswana
4 – 5 March 2009	ILAC Arrangement Committee	Paris, France
4 – 5 March 2009	SADCAS official visit to Malawi	Blantyre and Lilongwe, Malawi
9 – 12 March 2009	SADC/ EU Training course – ISO/IEC 17025	Gaborone, Botswana
12 – 13 March 2009	SADCAS Board of Directors meetings	Pretoria, South Africa
16 – 17 March 2009	SADCAS official visit to Namibia	Windhoek, Namibia
23 – 26 March 2009	SADC/EU Training course – ISO/IEC 17020	Gaborone, Botswana
2 – 3 April 2009	African Cooperation in Accreditation meeting	Port Louis, Mauritius
8 – 9 April 2009	SADCAS official visit to Swaziland	Mbabane, Swaziland
20 – 25 April 2009	SADCA SQAM Meetings	Gaborone International Conference Centre (GICC) – Botswana
20 April 2009	SQAM workshop	“
21 April 2009	SADCMEL meeting	“
21 April 2009	SADCA PMC meeting	“
21 April 2009	SADCAS Board of Directors meeting	“
21 April 2009	SADCAS Annual General Meeting	“

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