

FINAL COMMUNIQUE

The General Secretariat of the Pan African Postal Union (PAPU) in collaboration with the Host country, the United Republic of Tanzania organized the commemorative events of the 30th Anniversary of PAPU in Arusha, from 18 - 21 January, 2010.

The following PAPU member countries were represented at a very high:

Angola, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central Africa Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo (Republic), Congo (Democratic Republic), Ethiopia, Egypt, Eritrea, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mali, Madagascar, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

The following organizations and countries also participated:

The African Union, the Universal Postal Union, La Poste France and RASCOM and Djibouti

The opening ceremony was officiated by His Excellency Mohammed Shein, Vice-president of the United Republic of Tanzania.

During these celebrations, some activities were organized as follows:

- Launch of the Postcode that took place at Clock Tower, Arusha, under the high patronage of His Excellency Mohammed Shein, Vice-president of the United Republic of Tanzania.
- Inauguration of the exhibition on technology under the high patronage of His Excellency Mohammed Shein, Vice-president of the United Republic of Tanzania;
- Forum and exhibition to mark the 30th anniversary of PAPU
- 18-21 January, 2010 under the theme : **“The Post, a veritable means for bridging the digital divide”**

After the opening the works of the forum were marked by the following presentations:

- PAPU Milestones since 1980 by Mrs. Rodah A. Masaviru, SG/PAPU;
- The role of the Post in Socio-Economic Development (country perspectives), by Mrs. Mamodopi Mohlala DG/Department of Communication, Republic of South Africa;
- The role of the Post in Socio-Economic Development (country perspectives) by Mr. Younouss Djibrine Director of Standards and Control of Postal Activities, Ministry of Posts and Tel. Republic of Cameroon;
- The Importance of Appropriate National Addressing Systems in the Provision of Quality Services – (Country Perspectives) by Prof.J.S. Nkoma, DG/TCRA, United Republic of Tanzania;
- The Importance of Appropriate National Addressing Systems in the Provision of Quality Services – (Country Perspectives) by M. Ibrahim Mori Baba, DG/NIPOST, Nigeria;
- The Importance of Appropriate National Addressing Systems in the Provision of Quality Services – (Country Perspectives) by M. Janras Kotsi, Republic of South Africa ;
- AUC Study on Harmonization of Postal Policies and Regulations and Strategies for sustainable Development of the Postal Sector; by Dr. Elham M.A. Ibrahim, Commissioner for Infrastructure and Energy, AUC;
- UPU's perspectives on regional approach to postal development; by (Par M. Claude Defoundoux, Africa Regional Programme Manager;
- Provision of universal postal service – Experiences of public postal operators in Africa (country perspectives) by Madam Brigitte Olga MACKOUNDIA, DG/ Posts, Congo Republic;

- Development of electronic postal services – Tunisia’s experience; by Mr. Mohamed Zouheir BASLY, Chairman/CEO of Tunisia Post;
- Development of e-services, Egypt’s Experience; by Mr. Khaled Saad Eng. Khaled Saad ICT Operation Manager Egypt Post,
- Developing Solutions for the Postal Industry; by Mr. Fortunatus Kapinga, Manager UPU Regional Support Centre Eastern African and Southern Africa.

Following these presentations on these topical postal themes, some very enriching discussions were conducted and resulted to the adoption of some resolutions and recommendations.

A vote of thanks was addressed to the Authorities and to the people of the United Republic of Tanzania.

The celebrations of the 30th PAFU Anniversary ended with the closing ceremony under the high patronage of His Excellency Mohammed Shein, Vice-president of the United Republic of Tanzania.

Fait à Arusha, le 21 janvier 2010