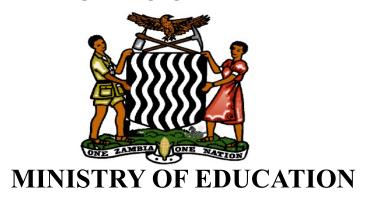


#### REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA





# ESTABLISHING THE LEGAL FRAMEWORK TO ALLOW THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LRC (ADDIS CONVENTION – A CASE FOR ZAMBIA)

### THEMATIC PEER GROUP B ON LISBON RECOGNITION CONVENTION (TPG B ON LRC)

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### **ABOUT THE ZAMBIA QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY**

Statutory Body under the Ministry of Education in Zambia

Established through an Act of Parliament, ZAQA Act No. 13 of 2011

**ZAQA** 

Custodian of ALL Qualifications in Zambia through Registration and Accreditation

Reference point for ALL Non-Zambian qualifications for Validation and Evaluation



# Mandate of the Zambia Qualifications Authority

Development and implementation of a national qualifications Framework

Registration and accreditation of qualifications

Standards and registered qualifications are internationally comparable



#### RATIFICATION OF THE ADDIS CONVENTION



Zambia ratified the Addis Convention in 2021 during the UNESCO General Conference



The ratification provides an opportunity for international mobility and transparency in the recognition of qualifications



Clarity on progression routes



Opportunity to do an assessment of systems and procedures in education to improve the recognition of qualifications internationally.



#### Strengthening the Legal Framework:

Review of ECZ, HE, TEVET & ZAQA Acts

Technical working Group on the ratification of conventions and monitoring of implementation

### Review of the National Policy on Education:

- Increasing access to and participation in education;
- Improving Quality and relevance in education;
- Integration of emerging issues

Implementation of the Addis Convention

Strengthening legal frameworks
Systems and procedures



### Distribution of work among competent Institutions

Streamlining of functions, building capacity in institutions charged with recognition, enhancing QA systems.

### Achieving automatic recognition:

- Review of the NQF;
- Alignment/ referencing to the SADCQF and ACQF

### Recognition of alternative pathways

- Developed policies for RPL and CATS (Reviewed with COL);
- Development of individual policies by appropriate authorities
- Implementation

Implementation of the Addis Convention

Strengthening legal frameworks Systems and procedures



### Recognition of Refugee Qualifications

- Implementation of the UQP Project;
- Technical Working Group (UNESCO, QA Agencies, MoE, UNHCR, Universities);
- Development of Guidelines on the recognition of refugee qualifications;
- Working on challenges after recognition which require policy change

### **Optimising Digital Technology**

QMIS for the validation and evaluation of qualifications

### Progress towards ratification of Global Conventions

Implementation of the Addis Convention

Strengthening legal frameworks Systems and procedures



## Thank you!



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