



INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON ROAD FINANCING AND INVESTMENT

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BRIEF PRESENTATION

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PLAN OF PRESENTATION

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GENESIS

- Launching of the idea of the creation of an Association of Directors of Public Works or Roads, like that of African Laboratories of Buildings and Public Works at the general assembly of Laboratories Association, held in Ouagadougou in December 1994, from which:

Meeting of Road Directors invited to the General Assembly was held at this instant;



GENESE (cont'd)

- **Adoption of minutes and appointment of a Provisional committee led by the Director General of Road Infrastructures of Burkina Faso and the Director of Roads and Bridges of Benin;**
 - **Elaboration of statutory and regulatory documents and;**
 - **Convocation of a Constitutive General Assembly**
- **Creation in Yamoussoukro (Côte d'Ivoire) in September 1995**



OBJECTIVES

- Develop exchanges between different stakeholders in the road industry in a direct or indirect manner in order to enrich and to promote the development of the road sector
- Capitalise and develop the know-how by encouraging applied research, initial and professional training as well as the dissemination of information in the road domain



OBJECTIVES (cont'd)

- ❑ Promote the integration of road networks, the harmonisation of standards of construction, maintenance and the use of roads and the improvement of performances of the sector.
- ❑ Reinforce local initiatives by the organisation of congresses, seminars or workshops in order to :
 - Pursue the development and the reinforcement of technical and professional competence;
 - Make appropriate recommendations to competent authorities and financial development institutions.



MEMBERS

- The Association of African Managers and Road Partners is made up of:
 - Active Members;
 - Members of Basic structures.

Actives Members

Active Member are all countries represented by the Director manager of a road network, who pays his admission fees and contribution decided by the General Assembly.



MEMBERS

Members of basic structures

Any persons or organisation authority or state public service, of a decision, province, committee, municipality, other political subdivisions and road agencies, scientific and technical associations and, school, universities, public and private enterprise, consultants, road user associations and other organisations interested in the road and transportation who, after having applied for and accepted by the general assembly as members pay their fees and contributions according to the statutes and internal regulations.



STRUCTURES/ORGANS

The organs of AGEPAR are :

- The General Assembly;
- Thez Coordination Committee
- The Executive Secretariat;
- The nation Committees or Sections (base structures);
- The regional work groups.



MEMBERS COUNTRY

- MAROC, MAURITANIA, SENEGAL, GUINEA-BISSAU, GUINEA-CONAKRY, COTE D'IVOIRE, MALI, BURKINA FASO, NIGER, TOGO, BENIN, TCHAD, RCA, CAMEROON, GABON, CONGO, DJIBOUTI, ZIMBABWE, RWANDA, BURUNDI, DRC, MADAGASCAR
- The Absent: ALGERIA, TUNISIA, EGYPT, ENGLISH SPEAKING COUNTRIES and LUSOPHONES (GUINEE – BISSAU not included)



EVOLUTION

Three periods are to be considered :

1st : 1995 to 1999 = informal meetings at the occasion of members participating at other manifestations organised traditional partners: SSATP, ISTED, PIARC, AfDB, BOAD

It was decided to extend this partnership to other, ex.: AU, ECA, CEDEAO, UEMOA, CENSAID, etc..

2ed : 1999 to 2002 = Reawakening at the occasions of annual manifestations :



EVOLUTION (cont'd)

Seminar and G.A. of Sept 1999 at Yamoussoukro

- Modification of statutes
- Placing the headquarters in Abidjan

Seminar of Cotonou on the commercialisation of the road

03 to 05 July 2000

Seminar and G.A. of N'DJAMENA

October 2001

Start of discussions on the Executive Secretariat



EVOLUTION (cont'd)

Technical Seminar and G. A. of Yaoundé

26 to 28/03/2003

Follow up on discussions started in
N'DJAMENA

Modification of statutes
ADAR became AGEPAR.

*Meanwhile, the Association seemed to be alive only
during meetings.*

3rd : 2003 to date : since the turning point in Lome



TURNING POINT AND GRAND DECISIONS OF LOME

- Application of statutory and regulatory documents
- Transfer of head office from Abidjan (Côte d'Ivoire) to Cotonou (Benin)
- Election of a new compact Coordination Committee, made up of active countries within the association (Burkina, Chad et Mali) to which Benin was added.



TURNING POINT AND GRAND DECISIONS OF LOME (cont'd)

- Establishment and adoption of a minimum activities programme for the new Coordination Committee
- Final approval of partnership programme AGEPAR/SSATP and validation of TOR of a Coordinator of the programme and recommendation for its immediate application
- Mandate given to Coordination Committee to approve the programme proposed by PIARC, relative to ROAD SAFETY.



ACTIVITIES SINCE LOME

- A. **At the level of the Coordination Committee with the assistance and support of the Coordinator of Programmes of Partnership AGEPAR /VARIOUS PARTNERS**
- ❖ Resumption and revision of Programme of Activities defined by the General Assembly of 22 and 23 April 2004 at Lome.
 - ❖ Programming of meetings of Coordination Committee.



ACTIVITIES SINCE LOME(cont'd)

- ❖ Regular holding of the Coordination Committee meetings.
- ❖ Participation at the meetings of partners and sister associations to which AGEPAR is invited (ex : annual meetings of SSATP at Addis Ababa, from 25 September to 1st October 2004, General Assemblies of ARMFA Secretariat, etc.).
- ❖ Development and reinforcement of relations with the various partners (ex : AFERA, SSATP, AIPCR, ISTED, DGR/France etc.)



ACTIVITIES SINCE LOME(cont'd)

- ❖ Launching of the partnership programme with the African schools which train persons in the transport sector in general and of Civil Engineering in particular etc.



ACTIVITIES SINCE LOME(cont'd)

B) The putting in place of national structures and work groups of AGEPAR

***with the assistance of the Coordinator of Partnership Programmes
AGEPAR/VARIOUS PARTENAIRES***



ACTIVITIES SINCE LOME(cont'd)

b2 – Work Groups

b2.1- Work Group to assist the Consultant TTD in his duties

b.2.2 – Work Group on ROAD SAFETY



AGEPAR TODAY AND TOMORROW

1 - AGEPAR, is more and more solide and well organised, ex :

- ❖ Self financing – even the meetings of Coordination Committee from financial contributions of countries hosting the meetings;
- ❖ Financing itself – even the hosting countries of the last meetings (ex : Niamey, Bamako, Ouagadougou)

2 – Putting in place and functioning of different structures of AGEPAR (ex : meetings of CC, Technical Seminars, General Assemblies, etc.)



AGEPAR TODAY AND TOMORROW (cont'd)

- 3 – More and permanent involvement of members at the base, and progressive internalisation of subject of reflection.
- 4 – Regular meetings of members of base structures and work groups and common discussions on different subjects = indispensable contribution.
- 5 – Effective putting in place of the disposition of coordination of programmes of partnership = important contribution for the tasks executed or to be executed.



AGEPAR TODAY AND TOMORROW (cont'd)

6 – Themes and subjects of reflection of Technical Seminars, taking care of preoccupations of member countries, ex : ○

Lome 2004 = African Roads, fifty (50) years of service :
balance sheet and perspectives.

Niamey 2005 = Management of Roads and impacts on the cost
of transport

Bamako 2006 = a) The state of institutional reforms in the last
fifteen years (15) in the road sector of
transports.

b) TTD for performance based road
maintenance contracts

Ouagadougou 2007 = Reinforcement of Pan African Roads,
economics, techniques and institutional
stakes

Dakar 2008



THE FUTURE

7 – For the next years :

- Take into account the lessons of past years and treat the weaknesses and insufficiencies to improve the capacity of the association and reinforce its competences, ex :
 - Continue putting in place base structures;
 - Run these effectively;
 - Permanent mobilisation of self resources;
 - Continued improvement of scientific and technical knowledge of members.
 - etc...



THE FUTURE (cont'd)

- Effectively draw the database of African expertise in the sector following the inventory and evaluation to be done
- Put in place of a data bank on Enterprises and Consultants working in the countries of AGEPAR members.



THE END

THANK YOU