

IRIM2017

1st Inter-Regional Implementation Meeting 2017
20th to 22nd November 2017, Speke Resort, Munyonyo, Uganda

Empowering Communities through Sustainable Rural Mobility Programme

Sunday 19 November 2017		
16:00 – 19:00		Registration, pick-up of badges <i>Registration desk</i>
Monday 20 November 2017		
08:00 – 9:00		Registration, pick-up of badges <i>Registration desk</i>
09:00 – 10:00		Opening Ceremony <i>Plenary hall</i> National Anthem of the Republic of Uganda and Anthem of East African Community Key notes from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minister of Works and Transport of Uganda, Hon. Monica Azuba Ntege • Mr Paul Turner, DFID Regional Adviser • Mr Gerome Rich, ReCAP Programme Director
10:00 – 10:30	Plenary	Provision of Sustainable Rural Access <i>Plenary hall</i> Key Principles of Sustainable Rural Access <i>Dr Jasper Cook, Chief Scientific Adviser, ReCAP</i>
10:30 – 11:00		Morning Tea Break
11:00 – 12:30	Plenary	Provision of Sustainable Rural Access (cont.) <i>Plenary hall</i> Planning and Prioritisation of Rural Access – An Example from Bangladesh <i>Dr. Mohammad Shakil Akther, BUET, Bangladesh & Monzur Sadeque, LGED, Bangladesh</i> Road Design and the Physical Environment: Appropriate Design Options for Steep Gradients; an example from Ghana <i>Dr Joseph Anochie-Boateng, CSIR, Ghana</i> Use of Locally Available Materials: Cinder Gravel Use in Ethiopia <i>Andrew Otto, TRL, United Kingdom</i>

12:30 – 13:30		Lunch	
13:30 – 15:00	Workshop	<p>Workshop 1: The Research Contribution to the Provision of Sustainable Rural Access Moderator: Dr Jasper Cook</p> <p>Topics for Debate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low Volume Rural Road (LVRR) Design • Local resources for local solutions • Climate • LVRR Research Delivery 	Plenary hall
15:00 – 15:30		Afternoon Tea	
15:30 – 17:00	Workshop	The Research Contribution to the Provision of Sustainable Rural Access (cont.)	Plenary hall
17:00 – 17:30	Plenary	Wrap – up of the day <i>Dr Jasper Cook, Chief Scientific Adviser, ReCAP</i>	Plenary hall
18:00		Welcome Cocktail, hosted by the Ugandan Roads Authority (UNRA)	Hotel

Tuesday 21 November 2017

08.30 – 10:00	Plenary	<p>Preservation of Rural Infrastructure</p> <p>Overview <i>Les Sampson, Team Leader ReCAP</i></p> <p>Effective Rural Road Asset Management <i>Rob Geddes, CDS, Zimbabwe</i></p> <p>Climate Adaptation of Rural Road Networks <i>Benoit Verhaeghe, CSIR, South Africa</i></p>	Plenary hall
10:00 – 10:30		Morning Tea	
10:30 – 12:30	Plenary	<p>Preservation of Rural Infrastructure (cont.)</p> <p>Participatory Approach to Roadside Protection <i>Werner Meyer, Helvetas, Nepal</i></p> <p>High tech solutions for road network and condition analysis, incl. satellite imagery <i>Robin Workman, TRL, United Kingdom</i></p> <p>Tractor Based Road Maintenance Approaches; the Zambia example <i>Kingstone Gongera, independent consultant, Intech Associates, Zimbabwe</i></p> <p>Cost Benefit Analysis of SEACAP Trials <i>John Hine, Technical Panel Member, ReCAP, & Ms Hien, Ministry of Transport, Vietnam</i></p>	Plenary hall

12:30 – 13:30		Lunch	
13:30 – 17:00	Parallel sessions	Economic Growth through Effective Asset Management – Project Implementation Team (PIT) Meeting (Invitation only) Plenary hall	Site Visit to Entebbe Express Way and Entebbe Wildlife Centre
19:00		Conference Dinner	Hotel
Wednesday 22 November 2017			
08.30 – 10:00	Plenary	Accessibility and Rural Transport Services Overview <i>Dr Annabel Bradbury, Dept Team Leader Transport Services, ReCAP</i> Evaluation of the Cost-beneficial improvement of First Mile Access on Small-scale Farming and Agricultural Marketing <i>Peter Njenga, IFRTD, Kenya</i> The ReCAP Gender Mainstreaming Project Cluster <i>Nite Tanzarn, Technical Panel Member, ReCAP</i>	Plenary hall
10:00 – 10:30		Morning Tea	
10:30 – 12:30	Plenary	Accessibility and Rural Transport Services An Updated Rural Access Index (RAI) - Status Review <i>Dr Jasper Cook, Chief Scientific Adviser, ReCAP</i> Motorcycle safety, training and regulation <i>Neil Rettie, Transaid, Tanzania, & Grace Muhia, IFRTD, Kenya</i> Identification of Hazardous Spots and Recommendation of Remedial Measures – Accident Data Management System – Ghana <i>Francis Afukaar, BRRI, Ghana</i> Baseline survey of past and current road sector research and undertakings in Uganda, development of an Electronic Data Management System <i>Dr Mark Henry Rubarenzya, UNRA, Uganda/</i>	Plenary hall
12:30 – 13:30		Lunch	

13:30 – 15:00	Parallel Workshops	Workshop 2: Building Sustainable Transport Research Capacity	Workshop 3: Creating an enabling environment for rural transport service provision that is inclusive, transformative and impactful
		Moderators: Nkululeko Leta and Caroline Visser	
		Workshop topics:	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current ReCAP capacity building efforts and their effectiveness and contribution to long term sustainability • The Transport Sector Leadership Development Programme – status and next steps • New ReCAP CB initiatives: intergenerational knowledge transfer, mentoring, online courses – what are the needs? 	Moderators: Annabel Bradbury and Paul Starkey
			Workshop topics:
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender mainstreaming in transport services – what happens now? • Diagnosing rural access challenges and measuring the impact of transport service solutions that are low-cost and sustainable
15:00 – 15:30		Afternoon Tea	
15:30 – 17:00	Parallel Workshops	Workshop 2: Building Sustainable Transport Research Capacity (cont.)	Workshop 3: Creating an enabling environment for rural transport service provision that is inclusive, transformative and impactful (cont.)
17:00 – 17:30		Wrap-up of the Day <i>Dr Annabel Bradbury, Dept Team Leader, Transport Services, ReCAP</i>	
17:30 – 18:00		Event closure <i>Les Sampson, Team Leader ReCAP</i>	

Workshop Overview

Workshop 1: The Research Contribution to the Provision of Sustainable Rural Access

Date: Monday 20 November
 Time: 13.30 – 17.00h, including Afternoon Tea
 Venue: Plenary hall

Workshop objective: to discuss current ongoing research initiatives and the way they address long term sustainability with regards to the provision of improved rural access in ReCAP partner countries and beyond.

Workshop programme:

Time	Workshop Debate Questions
13.30 – 14.15h	1. Low Volume Rural Road (LVRR) Design: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing research into the performance of LVRRs can provide valuable information for the delivery of sustainable rural networks; Current research needs a greater focus on LVRR structures.
14.15 – 15.00h	2. Local Resources for Local Solutions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LVRR research into use of local resources is delivering solutions that can be taken up satisfactorily by rural road practitioners. LVRR construction and maintenance projects need to be much more aware of local resource utilisation in terms involving women's groups.
15.00 – 15.30h	Afternoon Tea
15.30 – 16.15h	3. Climate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate threats can be met with by current good practice. Climate threats require new approaches and new designs.
16.15 – 17.00h	4. LVRR Research Delivery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> With the adoption of local design manuals and use of national research units the current approaches to research application are now acceptable. Research into practice still requires significant additional focus for sustainable uptake to be a reality
17.00 – 17.30h	Open summary debate on all above issues
17.30 – 17.45h	Overall Summary and Closing Remarks

Workshop 2: Building Sustainable Transport Research Capacity

Date: Wednesday 22 November 2017
 Time: 13.30 – 17.00 including tea break
 Venue: Plenary hall

Workshop objective:

The ReCAP programme just entered its second phase in August 2017 and will run through to July 2020. It is of vital importance to achieve sustainable, lasting capacity building effects before the programme ends and to ensure continuation of the developments within partner institutions beyond ReCAP funding.

In light of this context, the aim of the workshop is to discuss how the national and regional capacity building initiatives can significantly contribute towards enhancing the impact and sustainability of establishing research capacity within ReCAP partner institutions.

Workshop programme:

Time	Workshop Proceedings
13.30 – 14.30h	Overview of current capacity building efforts within the ReCAP framework: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills Development and Training programmes, including Train-the-Trainer courses and workshops, national strategies, integrated CB elements in regional projects • Regional CB and mentoring on Long Term Pavement Performance monitoring projects Facilitated discussion on the effectiveness of the CB interventions and their contribution to sustainability of research capacity.
14.30 – 15.00h	Brief presentation on Transport Sector Leadership Development Programme: current status and next steps
15.00 – 15.30h	Afternoon Tea
15.30 – 16.00h	Discussion on current open questions/decision points in TSLDP, repeat some of the questions from Namibia workshop/Power vote? Discussion on how the TSLDP can contribute towards sustainability of research management capacity within partner institutions and across Africa in general
16.00 – 16.45h	Introduction of new and upcoming CB initiatives: Mentoring, intergenerational knowledge transfer and online courses Facilitated discussion on how the new initiatives meet user needs and ways/ modalities for their implementation as well as perceived barriers and opportunities.
16.45 – 17.00h	Open Summary and Closing remarks

Workshop 3: Creating an enabling environment for rural transport service provision that is inclusive, transformative and impactful

Date: Wednesday 22 November 2017
 Time: 13.30 – 17.00 including tea break
 Venue: Parallel room

Workshop objective: to discuss what evidence is required to demonstrate the impact, transformation and benefit of various transport service solutions.

Key messages:

1. We need to be clear about actions required to fully integrate rural transport services research with infrastructure provision and preservation in order to create an enabling environment for improved rural accessibility and poverty reduction.
2. Through ARTReF and other regional associations, ReCAP has successfully engaged with MDA's that support access provision and preservation. Going forward, it is imperative that we engage more effectively with MDA's who are responsible for supporting access services, as well as the private sector that provides those services.
3. Rural access affects tens of millions of people in Africa and Asia, especially those living in poverty – as practitioners, we need to revitalise the sector by promoting engagement, employment and funding, and making everything that has been and will be achieved by ReCAP sustainable beyond 2020. What does this mean for rural transport services?

Workshop programme:

Time	Workshop Debate Questions
13.30 – 15.00h	Gender mainstreaming in transport services – what happens now? Exploring the significance of gender mainstreaming (GM) in transport service provision, looking at a selection of the ReCAP GM projects followed by facilitated discussion on what happens now to the outputs of those studies, and how the research findings and policy recommendations can be taken up by the Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDA) in ReCAP countries. Brief project overviews around transport services and GM will be provided on the following projects, interspersed with Q&A.
15.00 – 15.30h	Afternoon Tea
15.30 – 16.45h	Diagnosing rural access challenges and measuring the impact of transport service solutions that are low-cost and sustainable This part of the workshop will explore the benefits of a diagnostic approach to understanding rural transport systems through identification of constraining factors and good practice in rural transport service provision for different transport users. Brief presentations will be made around transport service diagnostics and impact, followed by detailed discussion of the topic.
16.45 – 17.00h	Overall Summary and Closing Remarks

Site visit – Tuesday 21 November

Site Inspection of the Entebbe Express Way

Project Manager: Haruna Juma
Project Engineer: Janet Birungi

Time	Activity
13.30h	Departure from hotel by coach
13.45h	Inspection of: Salaama Roundabout, Kajjansi Interchange, Kajjansi Toll gate, Nambigirwe Bridge, Mpala Toll gate
15.00h	Visit to Entebbe Wildlife Centre
17.00h	Return to hotel

