

REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION TO STRENGTHEN BASIC SCIENCES IN AFRICA.

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ABSTRACT:

In this talk we at first discuss the sorry state of research and education in basic sciences in Africa providing reasons why there is no critical mass of researchers in any of the areas. and emphasising urgent need to strengthen all the areas. We then review what efforts are on-going on the continent of Africa to improve the situation especially in mathematics. Finally, we discuss in some detail an elaborate African Academy of Sciences (AAS)/UNESCO Basic Sciences Improvement Project Proposal that seeks to improve basic sciences in Africa in its various ramifications and how this project will need the support of the African Union, and the International Scientific Community.