

# Director-General Pays Visit to Kenya Bureau of Standards



*Dr. Hermogène Nsengimana, SG, ARSO; Mrs. Esther Ngari, MD, KEBS; and Prof. Alex Dodoo, President, ARSO (left to right)*

The Director-General of the Ghana Standards Authority (GSA) and the President of the African Organisation for Standardisation (ARSO), Professor Alex Dodoo, paid a courtesy call on the Managing Director of the Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS), Mrs. Esther Ngari, to discuss the ongoing initiatives being put in place at the continental level for the implementation of the African Continental Free Trade Agreement (AfCFTA).

Prof. Dodoo was accompanied by the Secretary-General

of ARSO, Dr. Hermogène Nsengimana.

The meeting also focused on increased cooperation between Ghana and Kenya, being among the eight countries where the AfCFTA Guided Trade Initiative is being piloted.

Ongoing deliberations by the Kenyan government, KEBS and ARSO, for the development of permanent ARSO headquarters in Nairobi, was also discussed at the meeting.

For the implementation of the AfCFTA, the meeting acknowledged the ARSO initiatives on African Continental Trade Regulatory Framework (ACTReF), MiA, Continental Standardisation Strategy and the African National Quality Policy.

The GSA and KEBS agreed to cooperate in capacity building and benchmarking activities which is expected to take effect within this year.

