SADCAS Accredits First Facility in Madagascar

SADCAS is proud to announce the accreditation of **SGS Madagascar SARL** in Antananarivo in Madagascar. This is the first facility to be accredited by SADCAS in the Madagascar and the first testing laboratory to be accredited in the scope textile testing.

SGS Madagascar SARL has been accredited in the scope of Textile Testing in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025: 2005. The accreditation in the scope "Textile Testing" covers the following:

- Determination of Fabric weight in accordance with ISO 3801;
- Determination of fabric width and length in accordance with ISO 22198;
- Determination of bow and skew in accordance with ASTM 3882;
- Determination of dimensional stability in accordance with ISO 5077;
- Appearance after laundering in accordance with an in house method;
- Colour fastness tests in accordance with ISO 105 standards;
- Determination of Martindale abrasion resistance in accordance with ISO 12947: Parts 1 &
- Determination of piling resistance in accordance with ISO 12945 Parts 2 & 2;
- Determination of tensile strength in accordance with ISO 13934: Parts 1 & 2;
- Determination of tearing strength in accordance with ISO 13937: part 1;
- Determination of seam Strength in accordance with ISO 13936 Parts 1 & 2;
- Determination of seam slippage and strength in accordance with ISO 13936; Parts 1 & 2;
- Determination of spirality in accordance with ISO 16322 : parts 2 & 3;
- Fibre analysis in accordance with ISO 1833; parts 7, 11 and 12
- Determination of ph value in accordance with ISO 3071.

Through this accreditation, SGS Madagascar SARL has granted the unique accreditation number TEST-10 0001 indicating that SGS Madagascar SARL is a SADCAS accredited laboratory. SGS Madagascar SARL

SGS is a surveillance company with a workforce of 42,000 employees spread across its 1000 offices worldwide. The objective of SGS Madagascar is to actively participate with all economic sectors (public and private in the promotion of exports products and in securing local and international commercial transactions. SGS mission is to inspect, check, certify and test products especially for export. In Madagascar, SGS offices are located in five cities namely: Antananarivo; Mahajunga; Diégo; Tuléar; and Tamatave. The accredited textile laboratory is located in Antananarivo.

By 30 June 2017 SADCAS had issued 85 accreditation certificates to 62 accredited facilities in 10 SADC Member States. At the same time SADCAS had 37 applications under process from 10 countries of which 9 are SADC Members States.