

The Federation of East African Pharmaceutical Manufacturers (FEAPM) in Partnership with Academia (EAC) received funding from UNIDO to implement a regional industrial Pharmacy internship programme. The aim of this programme is to equip fresh Pharmacy graduates with practical skills needed in the pharmaceutical manufacturing industry.

This pilot programme is complementary to existing internships programmes; it is structured and driven by both academia and pharmaceutical industry within the East African region. Significantly, prior to a 3 month attachment in selected FEAPM member companies, graduates will undergo a two week incubation training involving both theory and practical sessions in identified FEAPM member companies.

The curriculum for this incubation training has been developed by both academia and industry and will be delivered by guest lecturers from academia and industry. Consequently, it is anticipated that practical skills required in the industry will be aptly identified and progressively incorporated into regular university teaching curriculum.

A Total 17 participants from the East African Community countries took part in this landmark regional training workshop. The participants were newly registered Pharmacists who had expressed great interest in pursuing careers in industrial Pharmacy.