



**THIRD MEETING OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE  
OF THE ABIDJAN-LAGOS HIGHWAY  
Accra, 20 September 2013**

**COMMUNIQUE**

1. The third meeting of the Steering Committee of the Abidjan-Lagos Highway Corridor Project was held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2013 at the La Palm Royal Beach Hotel in Accra - Ghana.
2. The meeting was convened by the Steering Committee through the Chairman, Honorable Minister of Works of Nigeria, His Excellency **Arc. Mike O. ONOLEMEMEN**.
3. The meeting was convened in compliance with the directives of the Presidents and Heads of States and Governments (HOSG) of member States involved in the Project (Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Togo, Benin and Nigeria) at the margins of the 43<sup>rd</sup> meeting of ECOWAS Summit in Abuja-Nigeria on 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2013. In this meeting of the HOSG in Abuja, the Chairman of the Committee was instructed to report the progress of the project to the Presidents in all their Summits, with the next Summit scheduled to be held on 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2013 in Dakar, Senegal.
4. This Meeting was attended by the following Infrastructure/Works and Justice Ministers or their duly mandated Representatives:
  - Republic of Benin;
  - Republic Côte d'Ivoire;
  - Republic of Ghana;
  - Federal Republic of Nigeria;
  - Togolese Republic.
5. The Steering Committee's Meeting subsequently considered the report submitted by Beneficiary States' Experts on the various issues as follows:
  - a) Terms of reference of the studies ;
  - b) Legal and institutional arrangements;
  - c) Study Time frame;
  - d) Funding mechanism and resources mobilization;
  - e) Recommendations

