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The sixth edition of the KAB Newsletter highlights different events involving the University and its stakeholders. We are intentional about promoting nationalism by enhancing different individuals' contributions to their community. In this issue, we examine the history of one of the significant contributors to the development of the Kigezi region. Through Paulo Ngologeza's organised efforts, the Bakiga people moved from Kigezi to other parts of Uganda. Pokoma Barekye, his last living son, recounts the story of his father.

I commend the editorial team's commitment to documenting university activities. The university's visibility through its students and staff has informed several stakeholders about KAB's progress. The 6th edition of the KAB Newsletter should be interesting for our readers. Furthermore, it will enhance our understanding of Kigezi's history. The newsletter will also provide us with an opportunity to celebrate our successes and milestones.

I wish you a pleasant reading experience as well as the opportunity to share this newsletter with other stakeholders of Kabale University.

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Parliament's Deputy Speaker, Hon. Thomas Tayebwa, visits Kabale University

Parliament's Deputy Speaker, Hon. Thomas Tayebwa visited Kabale University on the 22nd of September in order to observe the remarkable progress made by the university since it became a public university in 2015. Additionally, he discussed some priority areas that the government should address to enhance the institution's development. He was accompanied by Hon. The Honorable Nicholas Kamara and the Hon. Elisa Rutahigwa, who are Members of Parliament representing Kabale and Rukungiri Municipalities, respectively.

The Deputy Speaker visited the University's main campus on September 22nd and commended Vice Chancellor Prof. Joy Kwesiga and KAB Management for their commitment to advancing the institution towards excellence. He met with several members of the university's management and governing council. Faculty Deans, Directors, and Guild leaders also attended the same meeting.



Prof. Joy C. Kwesiga (in green Kitege) speaks to Hon. Tayebwa as Hon. Kakuru, Hon. Banyenzaki, Hon. Dr. Kamara and Prof. Basheka (extreme left) listen while in the eLearning studio.



Members of the University Council, Top Management and Administration take a group photo after holding the meeting with the Deputy Speaker, Hon. Thomas Tayebwa (in checkered brown blazer).

The Honorable Tayebwa expressed his gratitude to the university's founders for establishing an institution that is positively affecting the region. During his remarks, he expressed his gratitude to the visionaries behind this remarkable institution, which is providing high-quality higher education opportunities for the youth of our nation.

Professor Joy C Kwesiga, Vice-Chancellor of the university, expressed gratitude for the Deputy Speaker's visit and assured him of the university's commitment to providing quality education and conducting valuable research. In her remarks, she emphasized that before government intervention, KAB faced

numerous challenges, including inadequate infrastructure and a limited number of academic programs. She highlighted a number of initiatives and reforms implemented since 2016 that have played a significant role in elevating the institution's standing.

As part of the tour, Hon. Tayebwa inspected the construction of

new lecture facilities that will accommodate KAB's expanding student population. In response to the presentation, he commended the management for their construction progress, emphasizing the importance of conducive teaching and learning environments.



Hon. Tayebwa gives his remarks after touring the University facilities.
Left-Right: Prof. J.C. Kwesiga, Hon. E. Rutahigwa and Hon. Dr. N. Kamara



Prof. Kwesiga (left) together with Ms. Attafuah after signing the MOU.

Kabale University's Regional Incubator Receives UNDP Funding

We must cultivate a thriving innovation culture. It is time for us to stop exporting our wealth and importing destitution. For example, Kabale may be able to export potato chips worldwide, given its reputation as a producer of Irish potatoes.

Ms. Elsie Attafuah, the UNDP Resident Representative in Uganda, has urged Kabale University to align its programs and research to address global challenges and promote positive change. She made these remarks during a speech to administrators and student leaders at KAB on Saturday, 19th of August. In addition to meeting with the stakeholders, she announced that UNDP was advancing funding to boost the Business Incubation Hub at the KAB Main Campus. She also encouraged the university

to continue building strong partnerships with stakeholders to create opportunities for its students and graduates. She concluded that UNDP was committed to working with KAB to create a legacy of positive change.

According to Attafuah, universities play a vital role in nurturing innovations that can contribute to a positive global transformation. "We must cultivate a thriving innovation culture. It is time for us to stop exporting our wealth and importing destitution. For



example, Kabale may be able to export potato chips worldwide, given its reputation as a producer of Irish potatoes. Ms. Attafua says we need to add value to our potatoes and realize their full potential”, according to Ms. Attafua.

Since the world is striving to meet Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030, she urged academic institutions to develop approaches that foster creativity and generate solutions that contribute to the achievement of the SDGs. Ms. Attafua, in her message, encouraged young people to participate in initiatives that would enable them to harness the potential of the African Continental Free Trade Area, which is expected to drive economic growth and development on the continent.

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Joy Kweyiga pointed out that the Innovation Incubation Hub serves as a platform for students, staff, and the community to develop and nurture ideas that can benefit society. Prior to the idea of the Innovation Hub, students possessed ideas and innovations that they presented during open days, but these ideas

were not adequately developed and showcased for global visibility. She expressed her gratitude to UNDP for its support of the university and assured them of her commitment to collaborate closely in order to generate and cultivate innovative ideas in the Kigezi region as well as throughout the country.



Top: Prof. J.C. Kweyiga gives her remarks as Ms. Attafua and others listen.
Bottom: The KAB and UNDP teams take a group photo after the meeting.



Science, Technology, and Innovations Committee of Parliament visits KAB

“By offering courses in Medicine, Anesthesia, Engineering, Agricultural Sciences, and Environmental Sciences, the university addresses key areas of national importance”

Parliamentary Committee on Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI) members visited Kabale University in the exercise of their oversight mandate. Their primary objective was to assess the university's progress in promoting science, technology, and innovation in accordance with government priorities and the interests of various stakeholders. A meeting was held with the top administration of the university, headed by the Vice-Chancellor. This meeting was also attended by the Directors, Deans, and Heads of Departments. The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Joy Kwesiga, welcomed the members of the Committee and introduced her team. She then presented the University's strategic plans, policies, and programs to support and promote innovation.

Professor Joy Kwesiga presented to the committee. In her remarks, she highlighted the university's commitment to excellence in science and alignment of its course offerings with government priorities. According to her, “By offering courses in Medicine, Anesthesia, Engineering, Agricultural Sciences, and Environmental Sciences, the university addresses key areas of national importance”. According to the Vice Chancellor, courses in Medicine and Anesthesia contribute to the healthcare industry. By doing so, a sufficient supply of qualified medical professionals will be available to provide essential healthcare services to the population. It is also vital that engineering programs that support technological advancements, infrastructure development, and economic development across a wide range of industries are offered

at the University.

In addition, she stated that tourism, agricultural, and environmental sciences are essential to promoting sustainable practices, food security, environmental conservation, and the development of the tourism sector in the country. The university is responsive to the government's priorities and is committed to providing education and training that are in line with the country's needs. "By using this approach, graduates will be equipped with the necessary knowledge and skills to contribute effectively to their respective fields and society as a whole," Professor Kwesiga explained.

In his remarks, the Chairperson of the Parliamentary Committee on Science and Innovation, the Honorable Remigio Achia, introduced the members of the committee and explained the purpose of their visit. According to the Honourable Achia, the purpose of the visit was to gain an understanding of how the university directs research and innovation in the region. "Our objective is to examine university research and innovation activities. As these are critical drivers of progress, our visit will provide insights into the university's research agenda. This will

include contributions to scientific advancements, technological innovation, and overall development in the region. Policymakers and stakeholders can obtain valuable information about how the university is directing its efforts in these areas by understanding how the university is directing its efforts," Achia said.

Aside from interacting with student innovators on campus, the committee members also inspected innovation centers and laboratories. As part of the committee's observation, students described their experiences, challenges, and successes in relation to their projects. Honorable Dr Florence Asiimwe, Assistant Committee Chair, commended the students for their

innovative efforts and noted that despite being a young institution, the university has established itself as a center for innovation. As part of their remarks, they commended the students for showing several innovative ideas aimed at solving society's current problems.



KAB welcomes new staff on Staff Day



Kabale University held its Annual Staff Day on August 17th in preparation for the 2023/2024 academic year. The event was intended to engage all employees in team-working activities, share updates, discuss goals, and foster a sense of community within the University. The event was held in the Kikungiri Hall, which is the home of the Faculty of Education.

During the opening remarks of the Day, the Senior Communications and Branding Officer, Godfrey Sempungu who was the leader of the team that organised the day, stressed the importance of providing effective customer service to students, fellow staff members, and other university stakeholders. Staff members were encouraged to recognize their role not only as educators but also as brand ambassadors, mentors and guides who contribute to students' overall development. In addition, Mr. Sempungu reminded the staff of the importance of students in the institution, as well as their responsibility for providing an environment that supports

and fosters the learning and development of students. Customer service is not a department in KAB; each of us is responsible for providing customer service. As professionals, we are the ones who deal with the students on a daily basis. We should therefore strive to raise the KAB brand to its highest level," he concluded.

Chief Human Resource Management, Mr. Samson Olum, stated that KAB promotes equal employment opportunities and prohibits discrimination and harassment. In addition to training staff to maximize their contribution to the achievement of university objectives, the university promotes a culture of learning, development and continuous improvement in order to benefit both the university and its employees. In his presentation, Mr. Olum emphasized the importance of legal compliance and adherence to regulations within the context of KAB's operations, particularly in relation to higher education. As a follow-up to his address, he led the staff in swearing oaths of secrecy.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Joy Kwesiga, expressed her gratitude to the staff for their commendable efforts and acknowledged that they were united in their efforts to further the development of this esteemed institution. Throughout her speech, she stressed the importance of viewing the university as a catalyst for personal growth and a defining element of one's own identity.

In his address, Professor Ben K. Twinomugisha, who was the Chief Guest and Chairperson of the KAB Tribunal, emphasized that, as a Public University, KAB should hold ethical behavior,

honesty, and moral principles in the highest regard. His main emphasis was that teaching should not be solely motivated by financial incentives, but rather by fostering the success of students and creating a lasting impact. "From my experience as an educator, I would like to point out that, while you are teaching, you are actively involved in shaping the development of individuals, contributing significantly to their growth and character". Twinomugisha said.

Professor Twinomugisha stressed that the KAB Tribunal is committed to providing a fair platform for addressing staff

appeals, thereby advancing equity and fairness throughout its proceedings. In order to reach a decision, the Tribunal will act impartially, carefully considering all relevant details and viewpoints. During the staff day, all new employees were welcomed by the Vice Chancellor who wished them a productive stay at the university. There were several members of University Management and other key departments such as Research and Grants, and the Academic Registrar's Office, to name only a few. These members also addressed staff who were present.



Top: Prof. Ben Twinomugisha (Chairperson, University Tribunal) addressing the staff. **Others:** University staff members at the event



KAB researchers present SEBU project in International Conference in Rwanda

Kabale University researchers who are involved in the Site Selection to Protect Papyrus Endemic Biodiversity in Uganda project (SEBU) attended the International Congress for Conservation Biology Conference in Kigali, Rwanda (ICCBC) in July. As the SEBU's principal investigator, Associate Professor Sarah Nachuha led the team. Other researchers were Dr Julius Arinaitwe, the coordination consultant, and Dr Fiona Mutekanga, who supervises the graduate students participating in the study.

The KAB conference participants introduced the SEBU project to the international scientific community with the intention of raising awareness about it. Additionally, they also aimed to meet with other possible stakeholders that would help in actualizing the project deliverables. Besides presenting the project to the

global community of scientists, conservationists, donors and policy-makers who convened for the International Congress for Conservation Biology, the KAB participants also tapped into the vast knowledge about the great lakes regions.

The congress ran towards the end of July from 24th to 27th July 2023 at the Kigali Convention Centre. It was organized under the theme "The future is now: Sustaining Biodiversity for today and tomorrow", the congress is attended by 1,200 delegates from 90 countries. It was one of the many responses to the worsening state of biodiversity, which is now recognized as the most serious global crisis alongside climate change, with which it is highly integrated.

The conference was preceded by a pre-conference training workshop organized by the Key Biodiversity Areas organisation (KBA) secretariat. This was conducted from Saturday 22nd to the 23rd Sunday, July. Under

the workshop, the participants were taken through the KBA process on how to identify globally significant sites to guide the conservation of 30% by 2030. This was facilitated by Jimmy Bezeng of BirdLife South Africa and Daniele Baisero of the KBA Secretariat. The workshop held at the University of Rwanda, College of Science and Technology - Nyarugenge Campus was insightful to the participants.

The discussion and interactions in the workshop added to the knowledge and improved the understanding of the KBA process for the participants. The criteria and the application of this KBA process will help in utilizing the resources drawn upon in the implementation of our JRS Biodiversity-funded project. The workshop was an overall success and will be an ongoing process of improvement. The Principal researcher Porf Sarah Nachuha is confident that the SEBU project will



Left: Dr. Fiona Mutekanga and Prof. Sarah Nachuha at the conference in Kigali, Rwanda. **Right:** Conference participants



benefit from the insights gained from the workshop. Moving forward, they will use the training to continue in refining KBA process for maximum efficiency.

The other facilitators of the training include Laban Musinguzi, a research scientist at National Fisheries Resources Research Institute (NaFIRRI) and the GBIF regional node manager in the GBIF Processes and data structure. The key outcomes from this part of the training included an improved understanding of the process, templates and standards for data entry into GBIF; and how to download and use data from GBIF for our project needs. The SEBU researchers who participated in the training also made a poster presentation during the second poster session. This attracted very many delegates some of whom expressed interest for future collaboration in various ways including: engaging

student and staff from other universities in research on wetlands conservation; use of DNA analyses to better track persistence, colonization and population health of endemic papyrus biodiversity; advances in using acoustics to remote monitoring, etc.

Following the conference presentations, the researchers also held a meeting with the ARCOS team at their offices in Kigali, Rwanda Kigali. Based on their experience with a previous JRS Biodiversity-funded project on wetlands biodiversity assessment and policy, the team provided insight into how to maximize the benefits of the SEBU project. The key outcomes included, an understanding of the integrated landscape monitoring system developed by ARCOS, and how it can be adapted to the Ugandan landscape; templates for capturing elements of the monitoring system; suggestion of including

aquatic macro-invertebrates data in identifying KBAs; protocols and data sources for change detection analyses; and the importance of incorporating local government level advocacy into our efforts to enhance national and international recognition of KBAs.

Researchers from the SEBU Project participated in the conference and were able to establish new contacts and broaden their networks. Among others, they also renewed old ones with scientists, donors, and staff of conservation NGOs that will support the broad aim of conservation of the highland wetlands in the Albertine Rift in Uganda.



Paulo Ngologoza and the exodus of Bakiga

Born in the Kigezi region, Paulo Ngologoza was an accomplished linguist who spoke Rukiga, Luganda, and Kiswahili. Even though he was unable to speak English, he traveled extensively under the sponsorship of the British government in 1950. Pokoma Barekye, Paulo Ngologoza's last-born and only surviving son reveals that Paulo Ngologoza was one of the key influences behind the transformation of Bakiga and Kigezi. Through strategic friendships, network building, and a willingness to serve, he left an indelible mark on his community.

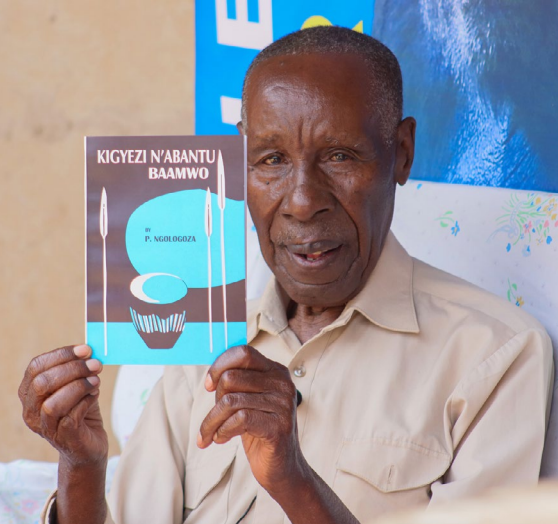
In 1940, Pokoma Barekye

was born to the late Paulo Ngologoza and Maritah Keiraza. Pokoma was born while his father was working in Kinkizi. His father, Paulo Ngologoza, was born in Rwanyana, Rubaya, in the Kabale district near Lake Bunyonyi. It was in 1920 that he married his doting wife Maritah Keiraza Ngologoza of the Omugyeri by clan. In addition to being hardworking, she was passionate about education and peace. Their marriage resulted in the birth of ten children, five girls and five boys. In 1984, he passed away, and his wife passed away a year later in 1985.

According to Pokoma, his father

was an intelligent individual who dressed as if he were a king. He had teeth that were sharpened 'okubanga ameino'. It was evident that he was a straightforward individual - the true definition of a Mukiga. In addition to being quick to understand, he was also quick to learn. A very hardworking and diligent man, he left his home in the 1910s to become a domestic servant 'boy' to soldiers in Kabale town.

Pokoma recalls the collegial visits his father enjoyed with the Kabaka of Buganda, the late Sir Edward Muteesa II, and other traditional rulers in the country. When he was a young



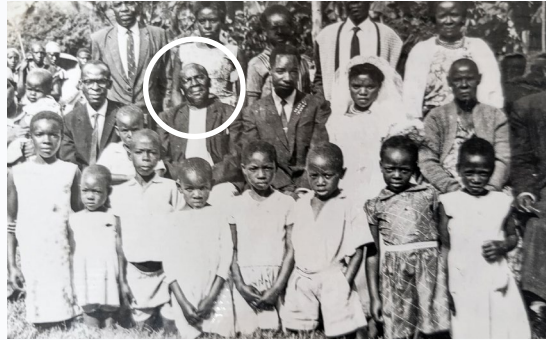
Pokoma holds one of his father's books titled, "Kigezi n'abantu baamwo"

man, he traveled around the country with his father and went on a few foreign trips as well. He describes how Ngologoza visited the kingdoms of Ankole, Bunyoro, and Tooro in order to negotiate the acceptance of Bakiga migrants. By using his natural talent and spare time, he wrote books on his culture and travels. Scholars in the field of linguistics have found a number of these to be useful. Pokoma recalls the day the Omukama of Tooro Oyo Nyimba visited the Ngologoza home and met with the family members of this great son of Kigezi with joy. Because of Ngologoza's personality, he was able to blend well with other kingdom and cultural leaders.

As a result of his contribution to cultural posterity and the promotion of education, the International Community of Banyakigezi (ICOB) has established the Ngologoza Girl Education Fund to assist needy girls who have demonstrated academic excellence. Kabale University is the host institution for this scholarship. The scholarship was launched in 2022 and is intended to contribute to the betterment of the Kigezi region. In the past, many people have told the story of Paulo Ngologoza with fond memories of how their contribution to the growth of their community, region, and country has set a standard for current leaders.



Paulo Ngologoza in his earlier days together with colleagues.



Paulo Ngologoza on the wedding day of his son - Pokoma.



The late Paulo Ngologoza's house after renovation. It was first built in 1948.



The KAB Communications & Branding Team (in white T-shirts) together with Rev. Prof. Muranga, Pokoma, his wife and daughter after the interview.

Paulo Ngologoza (1897-1984): A Prominent Figure in Kigezi History

Story by
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The process of making the non-alcoholic drink "bushera" and the alcoholic one "omuramba" from fermented sorghum; the knowledge of the seasons for optimal agricultural land use depending on which crop one wants to plant; the creation of folktales, riddles, oral recitations (ebyevugo), proverbs, folk songs and dances ("Enganda zaahiga", "Yehinde", "Abairu baatiina omu rubuga" etc.); the evolution of clans and taboos and traditional religion that later gave way mainly to Christianity: Those are examples of the creative, life-sustaining engagement of the people called Bakiga with their physical and social environment over centuries.

The examples just mentioned fall into three basic dimensions of

life: physical, emotional, and spiritual, with social interwoven in all three. Indigenous knowledge (IK) studies ought to be carried out at least from those three dimensions: Human beings must eat and drink; they must engage in different forms of mutual entertainment; and they must find a meaning to life that transcends the latter two.

Now what does all this preamble have to do with Paulo Ngologoza, one of the most prominent men in the history of the Bakiga? Almost everything! Alone by looking at his book "Kigyezi n'Abantu Baamwo" (East African Literature Bureau 1967; Kabale Diocese Printing Unit 2012), you will notice that here was a man who, in spite of minimal Western style education, was able to produce a true ethnography of the Bakiga. A translation of the book into English by Benon Turyahikayo-Rugyema came out in 1969. The book is one of the best descriptions of the history of the Bakiga, and it deals with all three major aspects of the Bakiga's life mentioned in the preamble. Significantly too, Ngologoza was a man who knew that the English language, though important, was not essential for the education of peoples

who spoke other languages. So he wrote his book in the language he knew best: Rukiga. His son Pakomo Barekye, whom a team from Kabale University visited in July 2023 at his home near his father's house and grave at Bukinda, Rukiga District, testifies to his father's gift of a naturally sociable character, which enabled him to become one of the most successful leaders of the Bakiga, accepted, indeed loved, by both the natives and the colonial administrators.

Ngologoza was concerned about the welfare of the Bakiga, yet did not present a resistant attitude to the colonial powers. Instead, he sought to cooperate with them in order to optimise the chances for a future that could no longer be imagined outside the global context. Thus the British made Ngologoza the Secretary General of Kigezi in 1946 and the first Judge of Kigezi in 1956. All this, in spite of his lack of formal education and his inability to speak English. Consequently, we have in Ngologoza a man of remarkable linguistic and cultural self-confidence, not afraid to write history in his mother tongue. He puts to shame those many unfortunate Ugandans who think they must write in

English and despite expressing themselves in their mother tongues. However, they know it far better than English. Thus they deny society the knowledge and linguistic examples that could be accessed by the reading community in whose language those books would be written.

Ngologoza's concern for his people's welfare, of course, extended beyond his presentation of their social and cultural history in their own language. He also involved himself in their resettlement in economically more viable parts of Uganda. Thus he was instrumental in the discussions with the rulers of Ankole, Tooro and Bunyoro that led to the Bakiga and Bafumbira migrating from their densely populated, overused lands to virgin areas in those districts.

Ngologoza thus features as a prominent figure in Kigezi's history. It is not surprising that a scholarship at Kabale University has been established in his name. This, however, was long ago preceded by the naming of a street in Kabale Town and dormitories in several boarding schools after him. His greatness was already recognized by the British when they conferred on him the honours of M.B.E. (Member of the British Empire) and O.B.E. (Officer of the British Empire). But a worthy tribute to Ngologoza would, in this author's opinion, be a cooperation between his family and the relevant Uganda government ministry. This would enable him to transform his house at Bukinda into an educative, culturally and touristically attractive museum.

Bottom: A photo of Paulo Ngologoza (circle) from the family archives.



The author, Rev. Prof. Muranga (right) stands with Pokoma during a visit to his father's house.



Prof. Sabiti Makara delivers Inaugural Professorial Lecture

"I would like to encourage all academic staff who have attained the rank of professor to present these lectures to inform the public of the relevant solutions to problems that affect them,"

Prof. Joy C. Kwesiga





Prof. Sabiti Makara poses for a group photo with members of the University Management, top administrators and academic staff shortly before delivering his Inaugural Professorial Lecture

As part of his presentation, Professor Makara discusses the evolution and consequences of recent governance and state reforms in Uganda that have taken place since the early 1990s.

Our very own Sabiti Makara delivered his inaugural professorial lecture on the 29th of September 2023 under the theme Unpacking Politics and Administration. He is a professor of governance at the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. Several members of the external stakeholder

community attended the blended event held at the KAB main campus in Kikungiri. Among them were local governments in the Greater Kigezi and Ankole areas. There were also participants from other parts of the world who were able to participate remotely.

Prof. Makara is an experienced academic, researcher, and consultant in the field of politics. His area of expertise is Public Administration and Management, and he has been published extensively in international journals. In addition, he has served as an external supervisor for several universities, mentored several students, and successfully supervised several Master's and Ph.D. students. As part of

the lecture, Professor Makara shared his expertise, research findings, and insights with colleagues, students, and the broader academic community through his paper titled "Democratic Decentralization: Unpacking the Politics and Administration of Service Delivery in Uganda".

As part of his presentation, Professor Makara discusses the evolution and consequences of recent governance and state reforms in Uganda that have taken place since the early 1990s. The primary focus of his work is to examine the way in which decentralization is implemented. According to him, decentralization is a principle of governance and administration that entrusts specific powers and



Prof. Sabiti Makara delivers the Inaugural Professorial Lecture.

responsibilities to subordinate levels of government, such as regional, provincial, or local authorities. As a result of this practice, governance efficiency and effectiveness are frequently enhanced, local concerns are more accurately represented, and the public is more actively involved in decision-making.

According to Professor Makara, while decentralization has improved interactions between government representatives and the general public, it has not been without its challenges. These challenges include the failure of state institutions to fulfill their roles, the absence of policies that prioritize the welfare of the underprivileged,

insufficient motivation of local government officials, and the persistence of corruption across all levels of government.

As Makara argues, to achieve successful decentralization, dynamic pro-people policies need to be implemented, opportunities for widespread public engagement need to be expanded, trust must be established, equitable power dynamics developed, and robust accountability mechanisms must be implemented within the public sphere. In order for decentralized governance systems to function effectively and efficiently, these elements must be present.

Professor Makara was born in present-day Ntungamo District and began his academic career at Makerere University where he rose through the ranks from Teaching Assistant to Lecturer, Senior Lecturer, Associate Professor, and full Professor. In addition to attending Nkongooro Primary School and Makobore High School, he completed a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Philosophy, and History at Makerere University where he ranked among the top students of his graduation year, resulting in the British Council scholarship for a Master's degree in Public Administration and Management at Liverpool University. Later, he completed

his doctoral degree at the University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa.

It was a well-attended lecture with a large number of participants. In her remarks following the lecture, Prof. Joy Kwesiga, Vice Chancellor of Kabale University, commended Prof. Makara for his outstanding achievements and significant contributions to governance. She noted that inaugural lectures are an important means

through which the University shares knowledge with the community. "I would like to encourage all academic staff who have attained the rank of professor to present these lectures to inform the public of the relevant solutions to problems that affect them," said Professor Kwesiga.



Top and Bottom: Prof. Makara with members of his family after delivering the Inaugural Professorial lecture



Members of the University staff in attendance at the Inaugural Professorial Lecture.

KAB unveils Institute of Tourism & Hospitality to develop tourism in the region



Members of Management together with staff and students at the launch of the Institute of Tourism and Hospitality

There has been a formal launch of the Institute of Tourism and Hospitality at Kabale University, which previously fell under the Faculty of Economics and Management Sciences. The Institute aims to become an international center of excellence in tourism studies and research, according to its current director, Dr. Christine Ampumuza.

As noted by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Joy Kwesiga, the Kigezi region is strategically situated as a center of tourism. By conducting research, training professionals such as tour guides and hospitality

managers, and establishing partnerships with the tourism industry, KAB fills this gap. As part of her remarks, Prof. Kwesiga commended the staff of the Institute, headed by Dr. Christine Ampumuza, for their commitment to nurturing it to the point where it has grown from a department into an institute. She noted that the courses offered by the institute address the needs of the Kigezi region in which KAB operates and that it plays a significant role in the socioeconomic development of the region and the nation at large.

At the launch, the Chief

Guest, Engineer Ivan Batuma, stressed the importance of a partnership between the tourism industry and academia in the development of the tourism industry. "This collaboration is a driving force for innovation, sustainability, and growth in the dynamic world of travel and exploration. By conducting rigorous studies and research, academia brings forth knowledge and novel perspectives that shape the tourism landscape" he noted.

According to Engineer Batuma, academic research helps the tourism industry understand the ever-changing preferences



Some members of Management cutting the cake with the Chief Guest, Eng. Ivan Batuma.

of customers and also understands the complexity of providing services. "This facilitates the transformation of theoretical concepts into practical experiences and successful ventures", he stated. In order to produce skilled and ready-to-work students who can promote sustainable tourism practices, he called on these players to enhance a two-way exchange of knowledge. Together, he emphasized, we can find innovative ways to preserve and protect the natural and cultural heritage for future generations. By using himself as an example, he encouraged students to return to their local communities after graduation in order to help them develop.

dedication of many of its staff members. He commended them for their hard work and ability to work as a team.

In her presentation, Doctor Christine Ampumuza, the current head of the new institute, highlighted the significant progress that the department has made so far. Initially, there was only one course and a small number of students, but now they have grown to accommodate over 280 students. Moreover, she emphasized that the Institute is committed to promoting tourism to local residents.

After graduating from university, I returned home to Kabale. I started small here and I am still growing every day. After finishing your studies, it is important to get involved in your local community by developing it, since there are a number of opportunities to bring services closer to your home. As the West and North developed their world, we must also develop our own region, he concluded.

The Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Management, Associate Prof. Caleb Tamwesigire, assured the guests that the Institute will continue to contribute to the development of the region. According to him, the unit's development into an institute is the result of the hard work and



Dr. Christine Ampumuza, the Ag. Head of the Institute, gives her remarks during the launch of the institute.



KAB pioneers Blended Learning Solutions to Advance Gender Equality in Education in Uganda



Regina Bafaki, ED - ACFODE Uganda

KAB held a knowledge sharing workshop on the 25th of August to disseminate information about this very important project. The purpose of the project was to test an innovative solution that would promote gender equality and empower women in the teaching profession in Uganda. The action was taken in direct response to the recently approved National Teacher Policy, which threatens to exacerbate gender disparities in the largely patriarchal country. As early as November of 2021, The Consortium began implementing the project under Kabale University's banner, and the project was completed successfully in September of 2022.

The key partners in this project are Concordia, Kabale University (KAB), the Canadian Institute for Mass

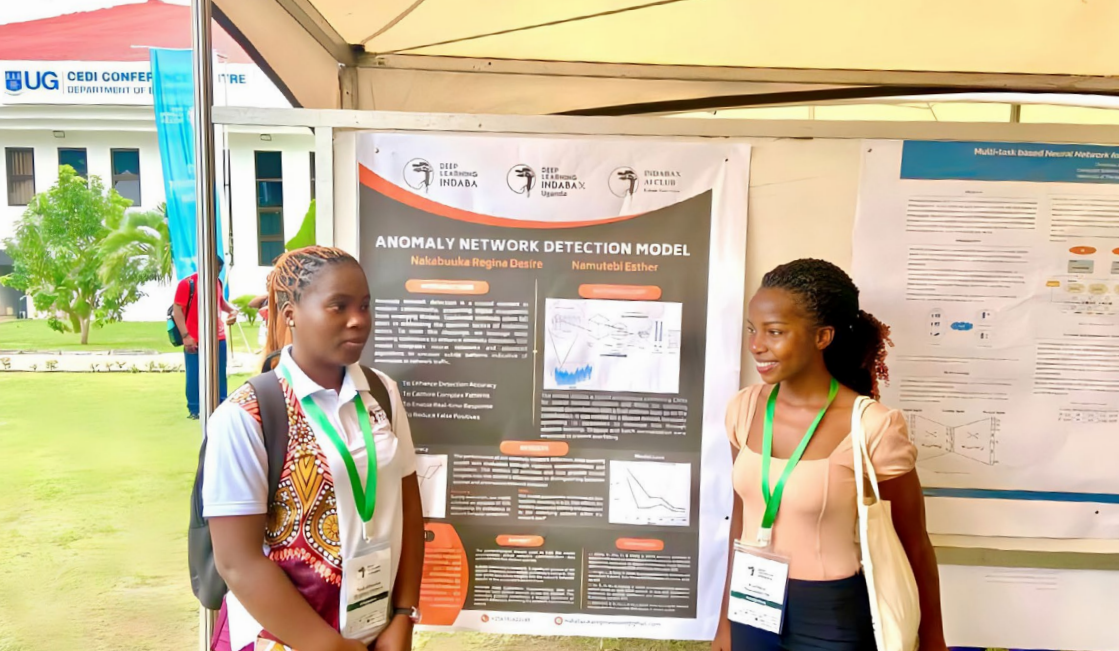
Communication (CIMC), and Action for Development (ACFODE). Through the sponsorship of the Funds for Innovation and Transformation (FIT) and Global Affairs Canada (GAC), the consortia were able to organise this successful knowledge-sharing workshop. Workshop participants included several students who were participants in the project "Blended Learning Solutions To Advance Gender Equality in Education in Uganda". The primary objective of the workshop was to showcase the results of the implementation of the project "Blended Learning Solutions To Advance Gender Equality in Education in Uganda."

As part of this project, the university recorded Electronic Lecture Videos and distributed them to learning centres in the selected test districts of Kisoro,

Kasese, and Kabale. A solar charger and M4 mini video players were provided to the learners. The students interacted with the professors at the study centres on a periodic basis by appointment. Due to their domestic obligations, many female teachers were unable to leave home for a prolonged period of time in order to attend universities. Furthermore, it allowed the learners to blend their knowledge with practical experience and develop in a convenient manner.



Scenes of panelists and participants of the Knowledge-Sharing Workshop.



KAB University students attended the 2023 Deep Learning Indaba in Ghana

There were two students from Kabale University's Faculty of Computing, Library and Information Science who participated in the Annual Deep Learning Indaba at the University of Ghana in Accra. The Deep Learning Indaba is the annual gathering of the African Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence community. The purpose of this event is to strengthen African AI. The meeting was held from 3rd to 9th September this year. It was conducted under the theme 'Y b tumi', which means 'we can' in the Akan (Twi) language.

"gathering" or "meeting" and refers to a week-long event for learning, research, exchange, ideation, and debate on the state of the art in machine learning and artificial intelligence. This Deep Learning Indaba is inspired by this spirit of community and collaboration, and it offers a unique opportunity to do just

that.

The IndabaX AI Club at KAB and Esther Namutebi, both in their third year pursuing a Bachelor of Computer Science degree, received travel grants that enabled them to participate in this week-long event. Ms. Nakabuuka and Ms. Namutebi are both deeply

"Africans should not merely be observers and receivers of AI. We have the capability to leverage AI to create impactful projects. We can come up with world-solving projects through AI even at the undergraduate level," Nakabuuka

Indaba is a Zulu word meaning



Ms. Desire Nakabuuka (left) and Ms. Esther Namutebi in Accra, Ghana



Desire presents at the event. She explained how their Anomaly Network Detection Model works.

enthusiastic about the potential of artificial intelligence in addressing significant challenges in Africa. Nakabuuka's presentation emphasized the importance of African involvement in AI development. "Africans should not merely be observers and receivers of AI. We have the capability to leverage AI to create impactful projects. We can come up with world-solving projects through AI even at the undergraduate level," she said.

In addition, she emphasized the importance of exposure, encouraging fellow students to take advantage of opportunities and learning spaces that come their way. "Exposure is one of the most powerful tools we have as students. In this way, we can improve and become better and better," she concluded enthusiastically.

Nakabuuka and Namutebi were commended by the Dean of the Faculty of Computing, Library and Information Sciences, Associate Professor Phelix Businge, for representing both the faculty and the university at this prestigious event. I

believe their attendance represents an important milestone in the IndabaX Club and will serve as an inspiration for others to actively participate in transformative community activities. As a result, international clubs on campus will provide professional development and exposure to students."

The Indaba Deep Learning movement is dedicated to strengthening African Machine Learning. The event has featured notable speakers from the fields of ML/AI and Ethics, practical programming sessions, mentoring opportunities, a two-day African Research Symposium, and deep dive workshops on topics such as Natural Language Processing (NLP), Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare, Reinforcement Learning, Machine Learning at the Edge, and AI Governance and Policy.

KABSOM Students attend the 23rd South Center Conference by React Africa Network



A group photo showing all participants at the RANSCConference 2023 in Lusaka, Zambia

Five students from the Kabale University School of Medicine contributed to an engaging exchange of ideas at the React Africa Network South Center Conference 23 (RANSCConference23) on Antimicrobial Resistance in Lusaka, Zambia, by discussing the most important issues, with one particularly captivating topic being the continued momentum of the antimicrobial resistance agenda across a variety of sectors. The event, held between 14th and 16th August, brought together students, professionals, and

academics from across the African continent.

The conference was organized under the theme "Leave no one behind-advancing one health national action plan implementation in Africa" and provided a forum for robust discussions regarding strategies for effective AMR awareness. Kabale University was represented by the following students: Tusingwire Daphine MBChB 3, Nabijako Christine MBChB 3, Musiime Fosca KAN 3, Mugarura Timothy MBChB 3, and

Busuulwa Moses BNS 3.

The student participants, on the other hand, come from a variety of academic backgrounds and institutions and provide insight and innovative ideas to address the pressing issue of antimicrobial resistance (AMR). As part of the discussion, emphasis was placed on the need to maintain the momentum of the AMR agenda, an issue that spans a wide range of sectors and organizational levels.

Dr. Evelyn Wesangula, Senior



The students perform a skit at the conference to show the dangers of antimicrobial resistance

Project Officer - Antimicrobial Resistance Control (East Central and Southern Africa), states that "all data collected on antimicrobial resistance should be transparent and shared to inform best practices." A major point that was highlighted at the conference was the importance of community involvement and community-based, community-designed responses to future pandemics. Among the speakers and presenters at the conference were Dr. Viviana MU OZ Tellez, co-ordinator of the Health Intellectual Property and Biodiversity Programme of the South Centre, Dr. Raphael Chanda, and Dr. Mirfin Mpundu, a public health specialist.

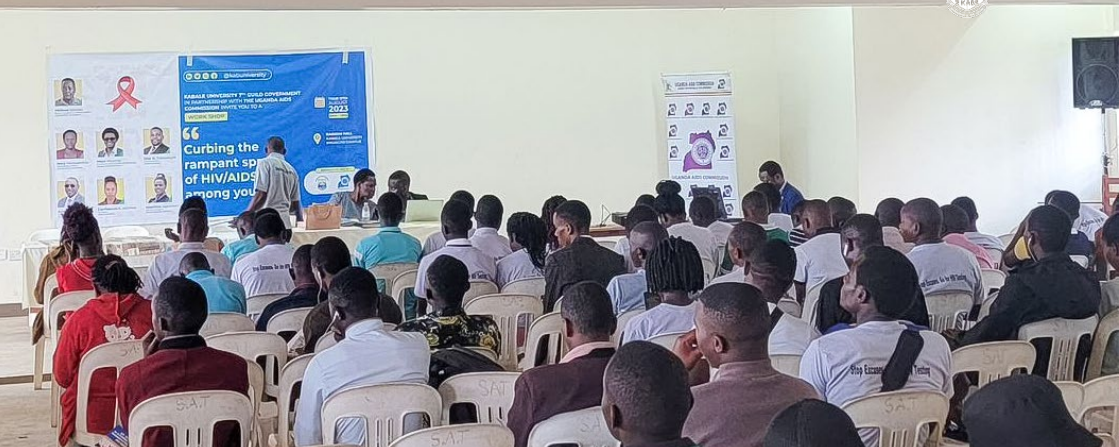
Members highlighted the need for a multi-sectoral approach that incorporates

agriculture, environmental conservation, policy-making, and public awareness as well as the imperative need for a multi-sectoral approach. This approach should include stakeholders from the private and public sectors and all stakeholders in the agricultural and environmental sectors. It should also focus on creating sustainable, long-term solutions to the challenges.

The KABSOM students' involvement at the #RANSCConference23 illustrates the importance of recognizing the younger generation's role in driving change and sustainable solutions in public health. Students from KABSOM stood out during the conference not only for their participation but

also for their thought-provoking skit about antimicrobial resistance. In the fight against antimicrobial resistance, the enthusiasm and dedication of the students in Lusaka serve as beacons of hope.

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KAB hosts Uganda AIDS Commission Empowerment Workshop

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Uganda AIDS Commission organised a workshop on the 17th of August at the Main University KABSOM Hall to empower KAB students with knowledge and skills to combat the pandemic as part of a united initiative to combat HIV/AIDS spread among young people. It was organized by the Guild President's office and attended by students from different faculties. The topic was 'Tackling the Widespread Dissemination of HIV Among the Youth.' The workshop was organized in advance of Kigezi's celebration of International Youth Day. There has been a collaborative effort to formulate vaccines in response to HIV/AIDS, a pandemic with historical continuity. Although HIV/AIDS remains one of the most pressing global public health issues, the World Health Organization stresses its importance. Using information posted on the Uganda AIDS

Commission's Twitter account, it was determined that 2.5% of women and 1.0% of men between the ages of 15 and 25 were HIV-positive, highlighting the importance of increasing awareness and information sharing regarding HIV prevention.

In order to raise awareness and educate the young population about HIV/AIDS, this event was organized. Mr. Michael Matsiko, the Western Region Coordinator, and Ms. Mary Namuyomba, the Uganda AIDS Commission Accreditation Officer, were some of the speakers at the workshop. Mr. Matsiko spoke about the importance of HIV/AIDS education and the need for more community-led initiatives, while Ms. Namuyomba discussed the challenges related to HIV/AIDS education in rural areas. The event was well attended and generated a lot of interest in the HIV/AIDS issue.



Mr. Sempungu receives a plaque from the President, Rtn Kyarikunda, and other members of RC Kabale

During his presentation, Mr. Michael Matsiko stressed the urgent need for effective strategies to combat the rising incidence of HIV/AIDS among youth. Our responsibility is not only to provide information, but also to provide our young generation with the tools and knowledge they need to protect themselves and make informed decisions. According to Matsiko, the event was focused on promoting safe behaviors, encouraging responsible decision-making, and addressing misconceptions about HIV/AIDS.

"As the nation grapples with the challenge of curbing the spread of HIV/AIDS, KAB's proactive approach serves as a ray of hope, demonstrating that concerted efforts can lead to a brighter future where the youth are equipped to make informed decisions and contribute positively to society's wellbeing".

Senior Communications Officer Emphasizes Communication as a Bridge to Teamwork for Rotarians

Godfrey Sempungu, Kabale University Senior Communications and Branding Officer, delivered a presentation to the Rotary Club of Kabale on the importance of communication in the development of collaboration and teamwork.

According to Sempungu, effective communication plays a critical role in building strong teams both in the workplace and in community settings. In his presentation, he stressed that clear and efficient communication serves as a bridge between individuals, thus enabling them to work together harmoniously into the future.

Speaking at an event sponsored by the Bushara Buddy Group,

When there is teamwork, team members communicate openly, share ideas, and collaborate more effectively."

Mr. Sempungu

Sempungu who is also a consultant team-building coach provided valuable insights and practical strategies for improving teamwork. During the session, Rotary members participated in a teamwork activity. By using illustrations, he was able to explain how teamwork works and why it is so important. According to Mr. Sempungu, effective communication involves more than just talking; it involves understanding, connecting, and developing relationships. "When there is teamwork, team members communicate openly, share ideas, and collaborate more effectively." According to Sempungu,

Kabale Rotary Club is well known for its commitment to community development. As part of his presentation, Sempungu focused primarily on teamwork and displaying team results. Ms. Kyarikunda Justine thanked Godfrey Sempungu for accepting her invitation as a guest speaker. He shared his expertise with the Rotary Club of Kabale. In her remarks, she commended his efforts to promote effective communication at the university. It was a pleasure to hear Mr. Godfrey Sempungu speak on the importance of communication and teamwork. " RTN. Justine remarked.

The Rotarians of the Bushara Buddy Group demonstrate teamwork through a communication team exercise.



Kabale University hosts the Dean of Students and Guild Leaders Conference

This year, Kabale University hosted the 7th National Deans of Students and 15th Guild Leaders Conference, which brought together deans and guild leaders from 30 universities across the country. Under the theme of 'Student Leadership, Innovation, and Employment in the 21st Century', the conference was held.

The three-day event was held between 20th and 23rd September 2023. It was attended by academic leaders and student representatives from several reputable universities in the country. Prof. Joy Kwesiga, university Vice Chancellor, graced the event. In her speech, she urged student leaders from different universities to be problem solvers rather than problem creators. She advised student leaders on the importance of communicating effectively and diplomatically with management and other stakeholders.

During his welcome remarks and presentation at Kabale University, the university's Dean of Students, Mr. Amos Tukamushaba, emphasized the importance of nurturing student-centered approaches. As a Dean of Students or guild leader, you play a crucial role in shaping

**"To be listened to, we need
to learn to listen to others,"**
Prof. Joy C. Kwesiga



Participants of the conference included various Guild representatives and Deans of Students from all over the country

students' academic journeys, advocating on their behalf, and cultivating a healthy and vibrant campus community. It was imperative that the student leaders be knowledgeable in their daily duties. "In order to be a successful leader, you must be knowledgeable and communicate effectively," said Amos Tukamushaba.

The conference at Kabale University celebrated the diversity of Uganda's higher education institutions. Further, it reaffirmed the shared commitment to nurturing students' leadership potential and preparing them for 21st century work challenges. This conference brings together university Deans of Students, student representatives, and special guests to engage in stimulating discussions and

share innovative strategies and solutions for preparing students for success in the ever-evolving and rapidly changing employment landscape of the 21st century by providing them with the skills and knowledge necessary to succeed. During the conference, a number of important topics were discussed by a number of resourceful presenters.

Among others, the conference was attended by participants from Muni University, Soroti University, Lira University, Makerere University, Bishop Stuart University, Mbarara University of Science and Technology, Mbarara

University of Science and Technology, Uganda Christian University, Mountains of the Moon University, Cavendish University, ISBAT, Islamic University in Uganda, and Team University, among others. Deputy Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Prof. Benon C. Basheka, closed the Conference.



Participants from the various Universities that attended the 3-day event at Makanga.



KAB enrolls record number of students in 2023



Prof. J.C. Kwesiga, the Vice Chancellor, addresses the new students.

During this academic year, Kabale University received a record number of new students enrolling in her programs. A ceremony presided over by Vice Chancellor Prof. Joy Kwesiga concluded the two-week orientation program for new students on Friday 1st of September 2023. The ceremony was well attended by members of the University Management, Faculty Deans and Directors, Department heads, and Staff. KAB welcomed over 2000 students for the academic year 2023/2024, including those enrolled in undergraduate programs and Education Recess.

In his opening remarks, the Rev. Can Medard Rugyendo, an Associate Professor of Religious Studies in the Faculty of Education, urged students to value and make effective use of their time at the university. In his remarks, he stressed the importance of timekeeping.

deadlines regardless of the task at hand. Make sure you complete your coursework on time. You should choose friends who will support your academic endeavours, as negative influences can hinder your educational progress", Rev. Can. Rugyendo added.

Lucky Ariho, an Assistant Lecturer at the Institute of Languages, stressed the importance of dedication to the study of languages in order to achieve academic success. In her speech, she cautioned students about peer influence and advised them to be aware of their associations. She reminded them that they came to the university as individuals. Ariho stressed that KAB is committed to cultivating well-rounded graduates and that the gathering was intended to prepare students for success on campus. She commended the students for making the right choice by enrolling at KAB.

It is imperative to adhere to

The Vice Chancellor, Prof.



Some of the new students pose for a photo after their Orientation exercise.

Joy Kwesiga, underscored the importance of student's dedication to their studies, highlighting it as their primary motivation to attend the institution. She specifically addressed female students, advising them to avoid cohabitation with male students, which may negatively affect their academic performance. According to Professor Kwesiga, cohabiting can divert girls' attention from their academic pursuits to domestic duties, while male students who are not distracted may be able to concentrate on pursuing their educational goals. She encouraged female students to place a high priority on education and postpone marriage.

In his remarks, Canon Johnson Munono, the University Secretary, stated that all incoming students are integral members of the university community and encouraged them to familiarize themselves

with the university's culture. In addition, he urged students to familiarize themselves with the university's policies and information, particularly by accessing the university's website. He stated that ignorance of the law is not an excuse. He emphasized the importance of understanding one's background and refraining from elevating oneself beyond legitimate social status. It will have a significant impact on their academic career. Even though he acknowledged the challenges related to infrastructure, he expressed optimism about future expansion plans, subject to sufficient funding from the government.



The new students listen during the Orientation exercise held at the University main Sports grounds

Two weeks of student orientation included training in E-learning, Library usage, faculty orientations, branding and communication for the university, acclimatization to campus life, guidance and counseling sessions, as well as faculty orientation. Orientation ensures students are well prepared for the beginning of classes.



Members of the FETADFA present the innovation award. L-R: Prof. Moses N. Twesigye-omwe (Faculty Dean), Hon. Adison Kakuru (Chair - University Council), Prof. J.C. Kwesiga (Vice Chancellor), Mr. Johnson Munono (University) and Mr. Twine Bakesigaki (HoD - Mechanical Engineering)

Faculty of Engineering receives Innovation Award for Automatic Potato Peeling Machine Prototype

As a final year Mechanical Engineering student, Amon Kato developed the innovation as part of a project titled 'Design and Prototyping of an Automatic Potato Peeling Machine'

At the 26th UIPE National Technology Conference and Exhibition, Kabale University's Faculty of Engineering, Applied Design, and Fine Arts received an award for the best prototype. A potato peeling machine developed by a student at the Faculty under the guidance of his lecturers was displayed. As a final year Mechanical Engineering student, Amon Kato developed the innovation as part of a project titled 'Design and

Prototyping of an Automatic Potato Peeling Machine' under the supervision of Mr. Isaac Ndawula and Mr. Twine Usito Bakesigaki, the Department Head.

At the Uganda Institution of Professional Engineers' annual National Technology Conference and Exhibition held in Kampala at the Hotel Africa on 18th and 19th August 2023, Kato won the award. The award was received by the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, Technology, Applied Design, and Fine Art, who later presented it to the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Joy Kwesiga. The theme of this year's exhibition was 'Tapping Engineering Opportunities for Accelerated Africa's Continental Free Trade Area (AFCFTA) Implementation - Uganda's Perspective'.

Several dignitaries from East Africa attended the conference, including engineers, scientists, and other important figures. The function was attended by a team of ten instructors and students from KAB. Engineer Dr Anania Mbabazi, a member of the Department of Civil Engineering, represented KAB through presentations. His presentation was entitled 'Perpetual Pavement Design in Support of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AFCFTA) Implementation: Case Study of the Kampala - Jinja Expressway'. Furthermore, Mr. Rodgers Mandera, a final year student majoring in Civil Engineering, presented his final project titled 'The Effect of Partial Replacement of Coarse Aggregates in Concrete with Recycled Plastic'.



Mr. Chessex demonstrates how the Wacom Cintiq works.

KAB Staff Participate in Cutting-Edge eLearning Studio Training

"We believe that this technology will enable our staff to develop educational content that will not only educate but also inspire and captivate our students."
Prof. Joy C. Kwesiga

Among the six African universities that received funding to host a new Center of Competence in Digital Education (C-CoDE), Kabale University is one of them. In 2020, Kabale University participated in competitive bidding and was among 44 institutions that applied to EXAF; out of this process, the university was evaluated and selected (the only one in Uganda). As part of this project, we hosted Jean Chessex, the Director of Photography at SmartCuts, in July. This was to equip and train a dedicated staff on ultra-modern eLearning recording studio equipment.

This new studio and equipment will contribute to the advancement of innovative learning methods. Under Jean's

expert guidance, the trainees were given intensive training in digital education, instructional design, how to operate the production studios, and how to utilise the ultramodern eLearning recording studio equipment. Over a period of two weeks, the training sessions provided ample time for hands-on experience and thorough understanding.

A newly acquired eLearning recording studio boasts the latest advancements in audio and video recording technology. With high-definition cameras, high-end microphones, a Wacom Cintiq monitor, and cutting-edge editing software, Kabale University's students will experience seamless and immersive eLearning.



Some of the participants of the training pose for a photo with Jean (trainer) after concluding the 2-week training.
Left to Right: Sandra Atukwatse, Michael Mutebi, Jean Chessex, Robert Tumusiime and Collins Nuwagaba.

For KAB, which has always been at the forefront of adopting innovative teaching methods, this development marks a pivotal moment. As a result of this new technology, the institution's commitment to fostering excellence in education has taken a giant step forward. Having acquired the skills gained from this training, trainees are now able to create engaging and dynamic eLearning content that transcends traditional boundaries. This is in line with KAB's vision to make education more accessible and adaptable to the rapidly changing landscape of the 21st century.

"We believe that this technology will enable our staff to develop educational content that will not only educate but also inspire and captivate our students." Prof. Joy C. Kwesiga added. In addition, Prof. Joy Kwesiga expressed gratitude

to the C-CODE project for providing the University with eLearning equipment and staff training. It is Kabale University's commitment to providing world-class education that has led to this investment in cutting-edge eLearning recording studio equipment.

The eLearning Officer studio production and multi-media officer, Collins Nuwagaba, has stated that the content that will be produced by the eLearning Centre will support some of the courses that have yet to be launched at the University. According to Jean Chessex, who was contracted by EPFL, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, the training provided him with the opportunity to share his expertise with the Kabale University staff, as well as to learn new skills.

As part of the training,

other members of the Communication, Branding and Marketing Department and the Information Technology Department were also trained. This made the total number of trainees eight. In light of KAB's eager embrace of this technology, a series of eLearning modules and courses are already being recorded using the new recording studio equipment. Students can access these courses through the University's YouTube channel and e-learning platform.



Jean trains Collins (left) on camera operations in the recording room.



Prof. Aldridge (centre) shows some of the equipment to be used for the research on freshwater lakes in Kigezi.

KAB partners with the ALBORADA Research Fund to study freshwater lakes in the Kigezi

The Kabale University Faculty of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences hosted a distinguished professor of Zoology. David Aldridge, a professor of Zoology from St. Catherine's College in Cambridge, spent two weeks at KAB conducting research and training. His main objective was to implement a project funded by the Cambridge-Africa



ALBORADA Research Fund. Macroinvertable Biotic Index for the Ecological Assessment of Little-Known Freshwater Lakes in Kigezi Sub-Region, Uganda is the title of the project.

KAB lecturer Dr Alex Saturday explained that the distinguished Cambridge professor is participating in the planned research training and conducting preliminary research surveys in order to inform the research protocols. Our research team will be trained and guided by Professor Aldridge in the planned methodologies and protocols, as well as designing and implementing surveys to gather preliminary data. According to Dr. Saturday, the

activities will lay the foundation for the main research study and ensure that the protocol is well-structured and well-informed. The purpose of this project is to develop a biotic index based on macroinvertebrates to assess the ecological health of lesser-known freshwater lakes in the Kigezi sub-region of Uganda.

The Deputy Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration, representing the Vice Chancellor, welcomed Prof. Aldridge to Kabale University. She noted that the University is eager to establish a strong and lasting relationship with Cambridge University. She further emphasized the University's commitment to transparency,

proper accountability, and responsible use of the project funds.

Johnson Munono, the University Secretary, commended Professor David Aldridge on the donation of equipment to the university. This donated equipment is worth over twenty million Uganda shillings. It includes a fluorometer, a pocket conductivity pH and TDS meter, a Lutron dissolved oxygen meter, a professional hand net, a GXCAM HI-Chrome microscope camera, an ultra-zoom stereo microscope, and a camera adapter for ultra-zooming.

The Cambridge-Africa ALBORADA Research Fund has a reputation for fostering partnerships and collaboration between researchers from the University of Cambridge and African institutions. As a result of the collaboration, Kabale University students and faculty members will have the opportunity to engage in cutting-edge research, knowledge exchange, and capacity building.



KAB Participates in the Education Expo and Go Back to School Bonanza at Kakyeka Stadium in Mbarara City

Kabale University took center stage this year, participated in the showcasing its academic Education Expo and Go programs and some of the Back to School Bonanza held innovations of its students.

at Kakyeka Stadium between

the 7th and 10th of September 2023. A number of educational institutions showcased what they have to offer to their stakeholders at the event that brought together educational institutions, parents, and students. The purpose of the Bonanza was to promote education and provide an opportunity for educational institutions to connect with prospective students and their families. Kabale University

A good number of visitors visited the university's stall during the four-day exhibition, which was decorated with colorful banners, posters, and brochures. Attendees were provided with information about course offerings, scholarships, sponsorships, and extracurricular activities from university exhibitors, including students from various faculties, the eLearning department, and



the Communications, Branding, and Marketing department.

According to Edmund Bashaasha of Bushenyi Demonstration Farm, the Chief Organiser, the Education Expo and Back to School Bonanza provide a platform for the dissemination of information about credible educational institutions (EIs). In addition to its presence and valuable information, Kabale University impressed both parents and students. During a visit to the stall, Ordinand Gordwin Kasigazi Director Kings S. S Mbarara noted, "I am very impressed with the team. Not only are they hospitable, but their creativity can be seen in action."

Caroline Kwarisiima, an alumna of Kabale University and current employee of the Kabwohe branch of ICObI, expressed how proud she was to see what she called her university participating in the Expo. Ms. Caroline reflected on her experience as a student at KAB in 2008, stating that she loved the University, particularly all the lecturers who taught her. Prof. Joy C.Kwesiga, Vice-Chancellor of Kabale University, congratulated the team that participated in the four-day event after the event. We are pleased

to see that the team is moving KAB forward. The participation in events like this allows us to demonstrate the diversity of opportunities that our institution offers to aspiring students." said Prof. Kwesiga.

The University's participation in the Education Expo and Go Back to School Bonanza demonstrates its commitment to making quality education accessible to all. Kabale University's commitment to community involvement was evident during the Go Back to School Bonanza. The university looks forward to welcoming new students eager to embark on their academic journeys as it continues to inspire and empower the next generation of learners.

Kabale University's team leader, Godfrey Sempungu, expressed his appreciation to the organisers, Bushenyi Demonstration Farm. The importance of such events in updating stakeholders about government-funded programs at the university was stressed by him. "It is our responsibility, as a university funded by the government, to inform the public of the services we provide and our mandate," Sempungu said. During his presentation, he also discussed some of the courses offered and the opportunities available to students who are eligible for scholarships. The expo was held under the theme, "Exploring the opportunities in the education sector."



The World Bank will assist KAB's Business Incubation Center through the Ministry of Gender

A team from the Ministry of Gender, Labour, and Social Development visited Kabale University. The team established a partnership with the Business Incubation and Innovation Center of the Faculty of Economics and Management Sciences. A World Bank-supported project titled 'Generating Growth Opportunities and Productivity

for Women and Youth Enterprise in Uganda' will facilitate this collaboration.

Dr. Arthur Sunday, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Management Sciences, believes that the Ministry chose KAB because it is a community-based and public university. In order to establish a comprehensive training centre and a shared facility for the Kigezi Sub-region, the decision was driven by the desire to establish a comprehensive training centre.

The support provided by the World Bank through the ministry is aimed at providing training and

equipping women and young entrepreneurs with skills in a variety of fields, including Business, Entrepreneurship, Tourism, Hospitality, Catering, Information and Communications Technology Innovations, Literacy, Agriculture, Engineering, Value Addition, Business Development, among others, according to Dr. Sunday. During the course of the meeting, engineer Michael Byaruhanga from the Ministry of Gender and Social Development mentioned that they were at KAB to map the common-use infrastructure for the project under the World Bank's sponsorship.

KAB Convocation to fundraise for a minibus for the university

Through fundraising, the Kabale University convocation executive resolved to purchase a minibus for the university. In addition to alumni, the KAB Convocation is an organisation made up of staff and faculty

of Kabale University. Isaiah Byaruhanga Kanyamahane serves as the current chairperson of the convocation. He has expressed optimism that the convocation is heading in the right direction.

KAB Convocation set a goal to raise money for a minibus that they would like to donate to the university this year. As a result of this initiative, the university management believes students and faculty will be able to travel more conveniently. There will be several fundraising activities scheduled for the convocation

until the end of the year in December 2023. The Vice Chancellor will serve as the chief walker at the marathon's fundraising launch.

Kabale University became a public university in 2015 after starting as a private institution in 2002. There has been an increase in the number of university alumni in recent years. In addition to its alumni from Congo, Rwanda, Tanzania, and Burundi, Kabale University has alumni from neighbouring countries like Congo, Rwanda, Tanzania, and Burundi. During this period

of growth in the university's student and staff populations, she is also building an extensive alumni network. This growth in the alumni population is anticipated to benefit the university immensely, according to the KAB Convocation executive.

As the university comes of age, its alumni are spreading throughout the country and becoming powerful agents of change. According to Isaac Kanyamahane, the convocation plays an important role in keeping the university visible. As part of the June graduation ceremony, the KAB convocation donated t-shirts and wheeler bins to the university. In addition, they participated in a friendly football game with the university's continuing students. The Convocation also organised a number of radio talk shows featuring Kabale University.

In his remarks, the Academic Registrar, who is also the Convocation General Secretary, expressed his pleasure at the advancement of the University. He expressed his gratitude to the university administration for its support. It was hoped that as many staff members as possible would participate in fundraising activities.

KAB plant scientists study medicinal plants used to treat Malaria traditionally in Uganda

A team of researchers led by a Kabale University lecturer and plant scientist Dr. Denis Okello has completed their study on the antiplasmodial/antimalarial activity of two widely used traditional medicinal plant tissues across the African continent; *Warburgia ugandensis* stem bark and *Aspilia Africana* wild leaves. Dr. Okello led the study titled 'Comparative antiplasmodial activity, cytotoxicity, and phytochemical contents of *Warburgia ugandensis* stem bark against *Aspilia Africana* wild and in vitro regenerated tissues'.

Dr. Okello is a plant scientist, phytomedicine researcher, expert in plant tissue culture, and an educator in the Department of Biological Sciences at KAB. Research and publications in the area of medicinal plants include micropropagation/in vitro propagation, biochemical studies, seed priming, and elicitation effects.

The study was collaborative research with a team from the Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI), Centre for Traditional Medicine and Drug Research (Dr. Jeremiah Gathirwa and Ms. Alice Wanyoko), a team from the University of Science and Technology-South Korea, Korea Institute of Oriental Medicine (KIOM) (Prof. Youngmin Kang, Dr. Yuseong Chung and Mr. Roggers Gang) and a team from Natural Chemotherapeutic Research Institute (NCRI), Ministry of Health-Uganda (Dr. Richard Komakech and Dr. Francis Omuja).

Dr. Okello explained that the invitro tissues (roots and calli) were grown under highly controlled aseptic conditions in a plant tissue culture laboratory. In addition, the toxicity level of the *W. ugandensis* and *A. africana* plant extracts was assessed to ensure that the medicinal plant tissue extracts were not harmful to living cells. In order to determine the safety

profile of the plant extracts, this step is imperative. To gain a deeper understanding of which chemical compounds are responsible for the antimalarial activity of these plant tissues, phytochemical constituents of the plant tissues were also examined, he noted.

Many parts of the world, including Uganda, are plagued by malaria. According to a World Health Organization report published in 2022, *Plasmodium* is becoming increasingly resistant to many of the current antimalarial drugs, not only in Africa, but also in the Americas and Southeast Asia. Currently, Dr. Okello is evaluating the antiplasmodial activity of *W. ugandensis* and *A. africana* tissues with the hope of discovering new antimalarial treatments that will enhance malaria control and treatment.

"The current research focuses on evaluating the antiplasmodial activity of *W. ugandensis* and *A. africana* tissues, which could lead to the discovery of potential new antimalarial treatments, which will greatly assist in the control and treatment of malaria. It also included cytotoxicity testing ensuring the plant extracts were safe to consume, facilitating the development of natural medicines that can be used by communities in a more confident manner.

Safe and natural medicines can offer viable alternatives to conventional synthetic drugs, which may have adverse side effects. According to Dr. Okello, the study of indigenous plant resources such as *W. ugandensis* and *A. africana*, contributes to preserving traditional medicinal practices and knowledge. These practices and knowledge are part of the community's cultural heritage.

The research findings indicate that "*W. ugandensis* stem bark (WuSB) demonstrated the most promising antiplasmodial activity, with IC₅₀ values of $1.57 \pm 0.210 \mu\text{g/ml}$ and $8.92 \pm 0.365 \mu\text{g/ml}$ against 3D7 (chloroquine-sensitive) and DD2 (chloroquine-resistant) strains of *P. falciparum*, respectively. WuSB also exhibited the highest total polyphenolic contents, recording $367.9 \pm 3.55 \text{ mg GAE/g}$ for total phenolic content and $203.9 \pm 1.43 \text{ mg RUE/g}$ for flavonoid content. The lowest contents were observed in *A. africana* calli.

The study also revealed that the antiplasmodial activities of the tested plant tissues correlated positively with their total polyphenol content. The high selectivity indexes of WuSB support its traditional use in the treatment of malaria and suggest that it may be a promising candidate for the

discovery of new antimalarial compounds. According to the study, the elicitation treatment should be applied to invitro regenerated *A. falciparum* DD2 roots, which showed moderate antiplasmodial activity against *P. falciparum* DD2, to increase the production of its secondary metabolites for optimal antimalarial activity.

Dr. Okello states that the research was supported by Grants from the Development of Sustainable Application for Standard Herbal Resources (KSN1822320) and the International Cooperation Program (Korea-South Africa Cooperative Research Project for Excavation of Candidate Resources of Complementary and Alternative Medicine) administered by the National Research Foundation of Korea (Grant: 2017 093655, KIOM: D17470).

Additionally, the research was supported by the Overseas' Training Program of the University of Science and Technology, Republic of Korea. This research was only a part of a larger project; specifically, it cost about USD 6000, not including costs for the regeneration of the *A. africana* plant tissues.



Directorate of Quality Assurance Launches Comprehensive Tracer Study to Enhance Higher Education Outcomes

The University Secretary, Can. Johnson Baryantuma Munono, urged staff to make informed decisions about university programs that improve education quality. During the tracer study training organized by the Directorate of Quality Assurance today in the University Boardroom, he made this statement. As a result, a tracer study is intended to assist us in identifying and fixing the gaps in our service delivery, therefore, we need to track our progress.

The training aimed to improve higher education standards and tailor academic programs to better fit students' needs and the job market.

Tracer study workshops provide insight and practical skills in conducting high-quality, reliable, and evidence-based tracer studies.

According to Ms. Monica Karungi the Senior Quality Assurance Officer at Kabale University, it is one of the requirements of the National Council for Higher Education that the University gets feedback from its graduate students. We are training them in order to enroll them in a rigorous Faculty tracer study. The trainees are expected to train other faculty members at the faculty level.

According to Ms. Monica Karungi, Assisting Dr. Sarah Kizza Nkambwe, Director of Quality Assurance at Uganda Christian University, Mukono, the training was attended by assistant academic registrars, administrative officers, and academic staff representatives from various faculties. As part of the comprehensive tracer study, information will be collected on graduates' employment status, career paths, further education, job satisfaction, and employer feedback. Employers will be able to shed more light on the performance and preparedness of graduates as perceived by them.

There is an expectation that the Directorate of Quality Assurance will release periodic updates and reports on the progress of the tracer study. The results of the study will be used to influence policy decisions, curriculum development, and program enhancements at Kabale University. Kabale University and its services are set to benefit greatly from this groundbreaking initiative.



KABSOM donates a phototherapy machine and a CPAP machine to Kabale Regional Referral Hospital

Kabale University has donated two machines to Kabale Regional Referral Hospital for the purpose of diagnosing and treating paediatric medical conditions. Prof. James Tumwiine, Dean of Kabale University's School of Medicine (KABSOM), presented a Phototherapy and a CPAP machine to Dr. Filbert Nyeko, Executive Director of the Hospital. It was attended by Dr. Timothy Nduhukire, the Head of the Department of Paediatrics at KABSOM and Dr. Steven Businge, the Clinical Head of Paediatrics at KRRH.

According to Dr. Nduhukire, Kabale University donated the equipment to improve healthcare services in the community that the hospital serves and to provide hands-on training opportunities to students at Kabale University

to enhance their educational experience. Phototherapy treatment is commonly used to treat newborns with jaundice, a condition in which the skin and eyes appear yellow due to elevated levels of bilirubin in the blood. When red blood cells are broken down, bilirubin is produced as a waste product.

Newborns are more likely to develop jaundice because their livers are still developing and may not be capable of efficiently processing bilirubin. According to Dr. Nduhukire, high levels of bilirubin in a newborn's bloodstream can cause hyperbilirubinemia, which can cause kernicterus, a form of brain damage. Kernicterus can lead to developmental delays, hearing loss, and movement disorders in the long run. As an alternative, CPAP (Continuous Positive Airway Pressure)

machines are frequently used to assist patients with breathing difficulties, such as patients with sleep apnea or newborns with respiratory distress syndrome. The CPAP machine filters and pressurises room air before delivering it through a tube and into a mask. As a result, your breathing will be stabilised and your sleep quality will be improved.

Dr. Nyeko welcomed the donation, noting that it will reduce the risk of hyperbilirubinemia and its associated complications in the brain considerably. His compliments were directed towards KAB for enhancing patient care at the hospital, as well as for providing valuable hands-on learning experiences for medical students.



The KAB Medical Students host an internal quiz to enhance their knowledge of medicine

As part of Kabale University Medical Students' Association (KUMSA), KAB Medical students held their Internal Quiz 2023 this August at the Jophan Students' Hostel Makanga, with the theme, "Integration of Research into Medical Education for Better Public Health Solutions". KUMSA's President, Mr. Musasizi Stuart, MBChB IV, opened the event by appreciating the punctuality of the participants. There were five competing groups, A, B, C, D, and E, with students from years 1 through 4.

The Minister of Health, Dr. Mackline Agarukamuhe, noted that the quiz was divided into two sections, Bio-Medical and Clinical. The Biomedical session consisted of anatomy, biochemistry, physiology, sociology, pharmacology, microbiology, and others, while the Clinical session included internal medicine, surgery,

pediatrics, obstetrics, and gynecology. The questions were set by various doctors and lecturers in the school of medicine.

There was a time constraint of 40 seconds per question, ensuring that only the sharpest minds would prevail. Questions covered a wide range of topics, including ethics, anatomy, and physiology, as well as political history, world affairs, and medical issues.

Stanely Oketcho and Charles Odur moderated the quiz with a group of other students serving as judges. The competition was also judged by an external judge, Mr. Senyonga Edga Regan, a third-year medical student from Mbarara University of Science and Technology, who

was responsible for asking questions, modulating, and judging the competitors.

There was a clinical session at the end of the competition, which explored the specifics of internal medicine, surgery, pediatrics, obstetrics, and gynecology. The participants' clinical judgment was tested in this round, which was graded out of 100.

With 645 points, Group A emerged as the winner, followed by Group B with 600 points, and Group C with 570 points. A score of 445 points was achieved by Group D, and a score of 410 points was achieved by Group E. A trophy and a gift of 100.000/=UGX were presented to Group A by Mr. Musasizi Stuart, MBChB IV, the president of KUMSA.

Students from Kabale University attend the East Africa Digital Innovation Summit



At the East Africa Digital Innovation Summit held at Makerere University's Yusuf Lule Teaching Facility over the weekend, students from Kabale University's Faculty of Computing, Library & Information Science, and Engineering, Technology, Applied Design & Fine Art participated. Leaders of the team included Guild President Diaz Drake Owoyesigire and Minister of ICT Hon. Thank you very much, Akandwanaho. The event, which was titled "The Future of Digital Transformation", was part of a series of summits that began in Rwanda on July 6th, followed by Kenya on July 7th, and then Uganda on July 8th. It was the objective of the participants from Uganda, Kenya, and Rwanda to discuss and explore the latest developments in digital innovation.

The summit was inaugurated by Hon. Kevin Mugabi, Minister

of Information, Research, and Innovation at Makerere University Guild Council. As part of his speech, Hon. Mugabi urged participants to take advantage of networking opportunities with potential employers. He expressed his appreciation to the summit organizers and partners for their efforts.

Mr. Silas Ngabirano, Commissioner for ICT, represented the guest of honor, Dr. Chris Baryomunsi, who commented on the importance of digital skilling and empowering young children with technology and artificial intelligence skills. I would like to encourage you to embrace the opportunities offered by technology, and to invest in yourself through continuous learning.

In addition, Mr. Ngabirano informed the participants that the Ministry of ICT is committed to supporting innovators through grants and policies that promote innovation. A number of topics were discussed by the facilitators, including the role of higher education in digital transformation, digital marketing, cybersecurity,

research and innovation, and the Internet of Things. They emphasized the importance of collaboration, digital leadership, and the plethora of opportunities that technology provides for the youth.

One of the speakers was the CEO of JAMBO TODAY, who discussed their application "JAMBOTODAY", which was designed to connect friends. Through hard work and perseverance, the CEO shared that the journey was possible, emphasizing the importance of determination and embracing innovative ideas. Panelists discussed topics such as social media's role in building a digital footprint, the role of investors in East Africa, and digital transformation through talent development during the summit.

Experienced social media influencers shared their success stories, encouraging participants to use social media to showcase their innovations and build their personal brands. Participants were advised to be mindful of the content they share on social media and to develop their profiles through blogging and other methods

Third-year Economics & Statistics students empower women with financial skills

Students in the Department of Economics and Statistics, Faculty of Economics & Management at KAB participated in a community outreach program aimed at improving the lives of women in Rubanda District. On a variety of economic issues, women from Rubanda District were educated, sensitised, and empowered during the outreach program. The Faculty Dean, Assoc. Prof. Caleb Tamwesigire, who welcomed students and staff to the event, stressed the university's commitment to community engagement and encouraged students to actively participate in the day's discussions.

Students from the third year presented several papers on topics such as the formation of successful groups, financial management, the benefits of women's involvement in groups, and the factors that can lead to their collapse. They also discussed the importance of active participation, proper budgeting, accountability, and risk management within these groups. In the discussion, the presenters emphasised the importance of investing in education and the benefits it will provide to their children in the future. It was noted by the students that it is vital that the younger generation be equipped with knowledge and skills that will enable them to become self-sufficient in the future.

The women of Rubanda District welcomed the students' visit and expressed their gratitude for Kabale University's initiative to share knowledge and programs with the community. The university has been requested to conduct regular visits to the community in order to gain valuable business information.

Kabale University celebrates World Kiswahili Day

On 7th July, World Kiswahili Language Day is celebrated in commemoration of the day when the late Mwalimu Julius Nyerere adopted Swahili as a language of unification for the independence struggle.

In conjunction with the other members of the East African Community, KAB participated in the commemoration of World Kiswahili Language Day. A celebration was held at Hotel Africana in Kampala, Uganda, under the theme "Kiswahili and Multilingualism: Collaborating for Greater Achievements." The event took place from the 5th to the 7th of July 2023. World Kiswahili Language Day is observed annually on 7th July to promote the use and recognition of Kiswahili as a global language. Across East Africa and beyond, millions of people speak Swahili, also known as Swahili.

According to Mr. Innocent Agume, the day was intended to highlight the importance of Swahili in promoting unity, communication, and cultural exchange. This is a significant occasion for the Kiswahili community since it recognizes a language that holds official status within the African Union and serves as a lingua franca.

Ms. Aidah Mutenyo, a member of the National Organizing Committee, and Mr. Innocent Agume, both lecturers at Kabale University's Institute of Languages, represented Kabale University. Students studying Kiswahili in their third year included Seth Arinda, Apophia Ahisibwe, and Juliet Kyarisiima. On 7th July, World Kiswahili Language Day is celebrated in commemoration of the day when the late Mwalimu Julius Nyerere adopted Swahili as a language of unification for the independence struggle. The first world celebrations were held on 7th July 2022.

There are several African countries that speak Swahili as an official language, including Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda. It was at these celebrations that strategies and initiatives were discussed that will empower Kiswahili as a vital language for communication, innovation, and digital literacy, enabling it to realise its full potential in the ever-evolving digital age.



KAB tourism students travel to the Semliki National Park for a three-day excursion

A group of 47 students from 1st, 2nd, and 3rd year students at the Institute of Tourism and Hospitality embarked on a three-day study tour to Semliki National Park in Bundibugyo district, immersing themselves in the breathtaking natural beauty and wildlife that Uganda has to offer. The trip took place just one day after the successful launch of the new Institute of Tourism and Hospitality. Many of these participants are interested in specializing in either tour guiding or hospitality.

Throughout the journey, students were accompanied by lecturers from the institute who provided valuable commentary and guidance. During the hands-on training and practical tour, students gained additional skills in the field of tourism and hospitality, as well as gained experience applying theoretical knowledge to real-world situations. The Institute of Tourism and Hospitality's Head, Dr. Christine Ampumuza, explained that the trip was also intended to give students a closer look at the tourism industry within their own country.

Dr. Ampumuza noted that experimental learning is an integral part of the institute's curriculum. "This educational trip was designed to provide students with practical experience that will be of value to their future careers in the tourism industry. This



is especially important for those planning to become guides," she explained. The three-day trip provided students with a variety of enriching experiences, including guided nature walks in Semliki Forest, which exposed them to the area's rich biodiversity, including a wide range of flora and fauna that are unique to the area. A tour guide described a special plant species, *Tabernaemontana donnell-smithii*, which has a number of medicinal benefits.

The Semuliki Forest Reserve was established in 1932 and was upgraded to the status of a national park in 1993. It is known for its lush landscapes, diverse fauna, and unique hot springs. It is located in Bwamba County in the Bundibugyo District of the Western Region of Uganda. Sempaya Hot Springs have bubbled up from the depths of the earth over the last 14 million years, demonstrating the powerful subterranean forces responsible for shaping the valley. According to the tour guide, there are two natural hot springs: the female hot springs boil at 96 degrees, while the male hot springs boil at 98 degrees.

In addition to enjoying the natural spectacle

of boiling water erupting from the ground, the students also learned about the geological significance and local cultural beliefs associated with the hot springs. A group discussion followed the boiling of bananas, sweet potatoes, and eggs in the hot springs.



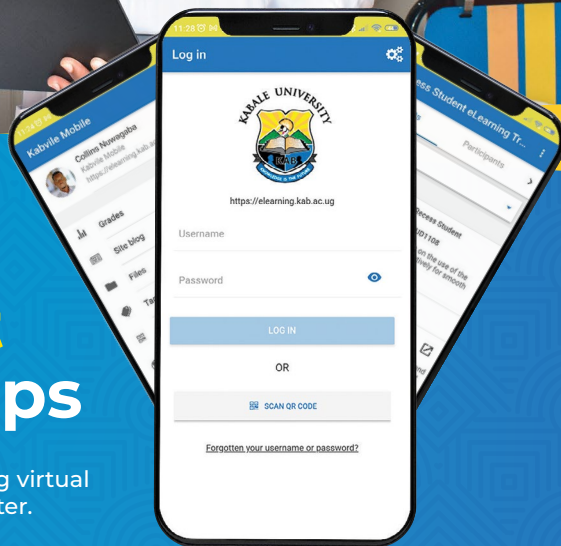
Top: Students stand in front of the University bus on its maiden trip.
Bottom: Students at the Hot Springs in Semliki NP



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Faculty & Programmes Offered	Schedule	Semester Tuition	
		EAC Students	International (USD)
FACULTY OF EDUCATION			
PhD in Education (by CW and Research)	WKD / HLD	4,000,000	\$2500
PhD in Education (by Research)	WKD / HLD	3,000,000	\$2000
M.A. in Educational Management	WKD / HLD	1,325,000	\$730
Master of Education Psychology	WKD / HLD	1,325,000	\$730
PGD in Education	WKD / HLD	725,000	\$400
Undergraduate Programmes			
Bachelor of Education – Secondary	HLD	450,000	\$300
Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood)	HLD	450,000	\$300
Bachelor of Education - Primary	HLD	450,000	\$300
BSc. with Education (Biology, Physics or Economics)	FT	700,000	\$400
Bachelor of Arts with Education	FT	700,000	\$400
Diploma in Education - Primary	HLD	270,000	\$200
FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT SCIENCES			
MSc. in Environment and Natural Resources	FT / WKD	1,500,000	\$730
Undergraduate programmes			
Bachelor of Environmental Science	FT	725,000	\$400
BSc. in Agriculture	FT	1,250,000	\$730
Bachelor of Agriculture and Land Use Mgt	FT	725,000	\$400
Bachelor of Agribusiness Management	FT	725,000	\$400
Diploma in Environmental Science	FT	500,000	\$320
FACULTY OF ENGINEERING, TECHNOLOGY, APPLIED DESIGN & FINE ART			
Bachelor of Civil Engineering	FT	1,900,000	\$980
Bachelor of Electrical Engineering	FT	1,900,000	\$980
Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering	FT	1,900,000	\$980
Bachelor of Applied Design and Fine Art	FT	1,550,000	\$650
Diploma in Mechanical Engineering	FT	500,000	\$320
Diploma in Civil Engineering	FT	500,000	\$320
Diploma in Electrical Engineering	FT	500,000	\$320
FACULTY OF COMPUTING, LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE			

Faculty & Programmes Offered	Schedule	Semester Tuition	
		EAC Students	International (USD)
Master of Information Science	WKD	1,325,000	\$730
Master of Computer Science	WKD	1,500,000	\$730
Master of Information Technology	WKD	1,500,000	\$730
Undergraduate programmes			
Bachelor of Computer Science	FT	850,000	\$480
Bachelor of Information Technology	FT	850,000	\$480
Bachelor of Library and Information Science	FT	725,000	\$400
Bachelor of Records and Information Mgt	FT	725,000	\$400
Diploma in Records Management	FT	475,000	\$300
Diploma in Library and Information Science	FT	475,000	\$300
Diploma in Computer Science	FT	500,000	\$320
Diploma in Information Technology	FT	500,000	\$320
FACULTY OF SCIENCE			
M.Sc. Mathematics	WKD	1,500,000	\$730
BSc. in Industrial Chemistry	FT	750,000	\$480
Bachelor of Industrial and Applied Physics	FT	750,000	\$480
BSc. in Biotechnology	FT	750,000	\$480
Higher Education Bridging Certificate	FT	500,000	\$320
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE			
Postgraduate programmes			
Master of Medicine: Paediatrics and Child Health	FT	2,500,000	\$1730
Master of Medicine: Obstetrics and Gynaecology	FT	2,500,000	\$1730
Master of Public Health	WKD	2,500,000	\$1730
Undergraduate programmes			
Bachelor of Medicine & Bachelor of Surgery	FT	2,699,000	\$1730
Bachelor of Anaesthesia & Critical Care Medicine	FT	2,000,000	\$980
Bachelor of Anaesthesia & Critical Care Medicine (Completion)	FT	2,000,000	\$980
Bachelor of Nursing Science (Direct Entrants)	FT	2,000,000	\$980
Bachelor of Nursing Science (Diploma holders)	WKD	1,180,000	\$630
Bachelor of Environmental Health Science	WKD	1,180,000	\$630
Diploma in Anaesthesia	FT	1,800,000	\$980
Diploma in Environmental Health Science	WKD	500,000	\$320
Diploma in Health Services Management	WKD	500,000	\$320
Diploma in Medical Records Management	FT	475,000	\$300

Faculty & Programmes Offered	Schedule	Semester Tuition	
		EAC Students	International (USD)

FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCES

Postgraduate Programmes	Schedule	Tuition Per Semester	
PhD in Business Admin (by CW and Research)	WKD	4,000,000	\$2500
PhD in Business Administration (by Research)	WKD	3,000,000	\$2000
Master of Tourism and Hospitality	WKD	1,325,000	\$730
Master of Business Administration	WKD	1,325,000	\$730
Master of Economics	WKD	1,325,000	\$730
Master of Project Planning and Management	WKD	1,325,000	\$730
Master of Human Resource Management	WKD	1,325,000	\$730
PGD in Project Planning and Management	WKD	725,000	\$400
PGD in Human Resource Management	WKD	725,000	\$400
PGD in Business Administration	WKD	725,000	\$400
Undergraduate Programmes			
Bachelor of Business Administration	FT / WKD	725,000	\$400
Bachelor of Arts in Economics	FT	725,000	\$400
Bachelor of Tourism and Hospitality Management	FT	725,000	\$400
Bachelor of Catering and Hospitality	FT	725,000	\$400
Bachelor of Procurement and Logistics Mgt	FT	725,000	\$400
Diploma in Business Administration and Mgt	FT / WKD	475,000	\$300
Diploma in Tourism and Hospitality Management	FT	475,000	\$300
Diploma in Hotel Management	FT	475,000	\$300
Professional Programmes			
Certified Professional Accountancy (CPA)	Occasional	As per Paper & Level	

FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

PhD in Public Admin and Mgt (by CW & Research)	WKD	4,000,000	\$2500
PhD in Public Admin and Mgt (by Research)	WKD	3,000,000	\$2000
Master of Institutional Leadership & Governance	WKD	1,325,000	\$730
Master of Monitoring and Evaluation	WKD	1,325,000	\$730
Master of Social Work	WKD	1,325,000	\$730
Master of Public Administration & Management	WKD	1,325,000	\$730
PGD in Institutional Leadership & Governance	WKD	725,000	\$400
PGD in Public Administration and Management	WKD	725,000	\$400
PGD in Monitoring and Evaluation	WKD	725,000	\$400
Bachelor of Arts in Social Sciences	FT	725,000	\$400
Bachelor of Social Work and Social Admin	FT / WKD	725,000	\$400
Bachelor of Public Administration and Mgt	FT	725,000	\$400

Faculty & Programmes Offered	Schedule	Semester Tuition	
		EAC Students	International (USD)
Diploma in Public Administration and Mgt	FT	475,000	\$300
Diploma in Social Work and Social Admin	FT	475,000	\$300
INSTITUTE OF LANGUAGE STUDIES			
M.A. Literature	WKD/HLD	1,325,000	\$730
M.A. Kiswahili	WKD/HLD	1,325,000	\$730
M.A. Linguistics	WKD/HLD	1,325,000	\$730
Diploma in Kiswahili	FT	475,000	\$300

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