

The Sixth African Higher Education Week and RUFORUM Biennial Conference, 22-26 October 2018

Programme for Members of RUFORUM International Advisory Panel (IAP)

10 October 2018

Background

The Sixth African Higher Education Week and RUFORUM¹ Biennial Conference will be held 22-26 October 2018 in Nairobi, Kenya. The Conference, hosted by the Government of Kenya and Kenyan RUFORUM Member universities² will be held at the Kenyatta International Conference Centre (KICC) in Nairobi from 22-26 October, 2018 under the theme “*Aligning African Universities to accelerate attainment of Africa’s Agenda 2063*”. The Conference will bring together over 1200 participants from across Africa and beyond. Over 15 African governments will be represented by their Ministers responsible for Agriculture, Education, Science and Technology. This document is prepared to guide the participation of **Members of RUFORUM International Advisory Panel (IAP)** at the African Higher Education Week. For more information, including the specific program for each event, please contact m.osiru@ruforum.org with copy to f.otto@ruforum.org

SATURDAY 20th October, 2018- Arrival and Accommodation at Nairobi Safari Club Hotel

Members of **RUFORUM International Advisory Panel (IAP)** are expected to arrive on 20th October 2018 to attend the Biennial Conference. The nearest airport is Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA) about 45 minutes outside Nairobi and the meeting location. Members of **RUFORUM International Advisory Panel (IAP)** will be met at the airport and afforded the necessary transport to **Nairobi Safari Club Hotel**, on Koinange Street, Nairobi, Kenya. Please, contact Nairobi Safari Club Hotel on +254 722 208782 or send your specific requests to r.rukarwa@ruforum.org with a copy to a.egeru@ruforum.org and e.okalany@ruforum.org for further details of your full board accommodation reservation.

SUNDAY, 21 October, 2018

07.00-08.00 Breakfast Meeting
08.30 Departure for Radisson Blue Hotel
09.00-12.30 Participate in the Forum for Women Vice Chancellors (**Venue: Radisson Blue Hotel**)
13.00-14.00 Lunch (**Venue: Nairobi Safari Club Hotel**)
14.30 -17.30 **RUFORUM International Advisory Panel Meeting**
18.30 Pick up from the Hotel to Intercontinental Hotel
18.30-21.30 Vice Chancellors and other invited guests Dinner: (**Venue: Intercontinental Hotel**)
21.30 Pick up back to Nairobi Safari Club Hotel

MONDAY, 22 October, 2018 Board and Annual General Meeting

06.00 -07.30 Breakfast
08.00 Pick up time from Nairobi Safari Club Hotel to University of Nairobi (Walking distance)

¹ *The Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM) is a Network of 85 African Universities spanning 36 African countries in all geographic regions of the African Union. As an African owned institution bringing together Agricultural and Science and Technology universities on the continent the network focuses on improving the contribution of universities to Africa’s development.*

² *Chuka University, Egerton University, Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology, Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology, Karatina University, Kenyatta University, Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology, Moi University, Pwani university, South Eastern Kenya University, University of Eldoret, University of Nairobi*

- 08.30-13.00 RUFORUM Board Meeting (**Venue: University of Nairobi Towers, Room 405**)
 13.00-14.00 Lunch (**Venue: University of Nairobi**)
 14.00 -18.00 RUFORUM Annual General Meeting (**Venue: University of Nairobi Towers, Chandaria Performing Arts Centre**)
 18.30-21.30 Welcome to Nairobi Cocktail hosted by University of Nairobi (**Venue: Chandaria Performing Arts Centre Lobby, University of Nairobi Towers**)
 21.30 Pick up back to Nairobi Safari Club Hotel

TUESDAY, 23 October, 2018

- 06.00-07.00 Breakfast
 08.30-13.00 **Attend events of interest to specific IAP Member (See Overview Programme)**
 13.00 Transport pick up from Nairobi Safari Club Hotel to KICC for lunch and opening ceremony
 13.00-14.00 Lunch (**Venue: KICC**)
 15.30-17.30 Official Opening Ceremony of the Sixth African Higher Education Week and RUFORUM Biennial Conference (**Venue: TSAVO, Kenyatta International Conference Centre**)
 18.00-21.30 Sponsored Cocktail by Kenyan Universities (**LAWN, Kenyatta International Conference Centre**)
 21.30 Pick up back to Nairobi Safari Club Hotel

WEDNESDAY, 24 October, 2018

- 06.00-07.30 Breakfast
 08.00 Pick up from Nairobi Safari Club Hotel to KICC
 08.30-10.00 **Plenary Session 1. Theme: Towards Agenda 2063: Catalyzing university role in influencing policy and setting development agenda (Venue: TSAVO, KICC)**
 10.30-13.00 **(Optional Parallel Sessions)**
Parallel Plenary 2: Converging the power of investment in Higher Education to transform Africa (Venue: TSAVO A, KICC)
Parallel Plenary 3: Harnessing regional and global partnerships for higher education innovation in Africa. (Venue: TSAVO B, KICC)
Parallel Plenary 4: Unravelling University, Community and Private Sector Engagement for agricultural transformation in Africa (Venue: TSAVO C)
 13.00-14.00 Lunch at KICC to Serena Hotel
 14.30-17.30 AUC-Ministers-Vice Chancellors dialogue (**Venue: Serena Hotel, Allamanda**)
 18.30 -21.30 AUC-Ministers-Vice Chancellors Dinner (Serena Hotel, Frangipani)
 21.30 Pick up from Serena back to Nairobi Safari Club Hotel

THURSDAY, 25 October, 2018

- 06.00-07.30 Breakfast
 07.45 Pick up from Nairobi Safari Club Hotel to KICC
 08.30-10.00 **Plenary Session 5 Theme: Building high level skills to deliver on African Agenda 2063 (Venue: TSAVO, KICC)**
 10.30-13.00 **(Optional Parallel Sessions)**
Parallel Plenary 6: Skilling Africa's youth: the role of TVETS (Venue: TSAVO A, KICC)
Parallel Plenary 7: Harnessing the Africa Youth bulge: Innovation, entrepreneurship and agribusiness incubation (Venue: TSAVO B, KICC)
Parallel Plenary 8: Increasing the pool of women scientists in Africa (Venue: TSAVO C, KICC)

- 13.00-14.00 Lunch at KICC
14.00 Pickup from KICC to LAICO Hotel
14.00-17.30 Young Innovators side event (**Venue: LAICO Hotel**)

FRIDAY, 26 October, 2018

- 06.00-07.30 Breakfast
07.45 Pick from Nairobi Safari Club Hotel to KICC
08.30-10.00 **Plenary Session 9.** Theme: *Moving Africa's development agenda forward: Ingredients for success*
(**Venue: TSAVO, KICC**)
10.30-13.00 (**Optional Parallel Sessions**)
Parallel Plenary 10: Harnessing the digital potential to drive agricultural/Higher education transformation in Africa (**Venue: TSAVO A, KICC**)
Parallel Plenary 11: Building foresight capacity to guide Africa's development
(**Venue: TSAVO B, KICC**)
Parallel Plenary 12: Strengthening food and nutrition security in Africa (**Venue: TSAVO C, KICC**)
13.00-14.00 Lunch at KICC
14.30-17.30 Closing Ceremony & Prize awards for Young Innovators (**Venue: TSAVO, KICC**)
17.30 Pick up from KICC to safari Park, Thika Road
18.30-22.00 Gala Dinner (**Venue: Safari Park Hotel-** Thika Road
22.00 Pick up back to Nairobi Safari Club Hotel

SATURDAY, 27 October, 2018 - Departures