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## DEANS AND PRINCIPALS FORUM

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## **WIPO Forum on Strengthening IP Management in African Universities**

organized by  
the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

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in cooperation with  
the Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM)

the Kenya Industrial Property Institute (KIPPI)

and  
the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)

**Nairobi, Kenya, October 19 and 20, 2018**

FINAL PROGRAM

*prepared by the International Bureau of WIPO*

**Friday, October 19, 2018**

8.30 – 9.00 Registration

9.00 – 9.30 Opening Ceremony

Welcome addresses by:

Mr. Sylvance Sange, Managing Director, the Kenya Industrial Property Institute (KIPI), Nairobi

Prof. Adipala Ekwamu, Executive Secretary, Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM), Kampala

Mr. Emmanuel Sackey, Chief Examiner, African Regional Intellectual Property Organization

Mr. Fumiaki HIRAI, Secretary Economic Affairs Embassy of Japan in Kenya

Ms. Joyce Banya, Senior Counsellor, Regional Bureau for Africa, the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva

Mr. Julius K. Kirima, Director for Industries, State Department for Industrialization, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Cooperation

9.30 – 9.45 Group Photo

9.45 – 10.00 Coffee Break

THEME I INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (IP) AND INNOVATION FOR AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

Moderator: Prof. Adibala Ekwamu

10.00 – 13.00 **Topic 1 What is IP and Why is it Important in the Innovation-led Knowledge-based Economy?**

*This session will discuss the role of IP in the context of an innovation-led and knowledge-based economy where intangible as opposed to tangible assets are the driving engines for innovation, creativity and wealth creation. It will also provide an overview of the fundamentals and the benefits of industrial property rights and copyright and related rights for universities and research institutions.*

(a) The Catalytic Role of Patents and Utility Models in the Promotion of Technologies and Innovation – Regional Perspective, The Japanese Perspective

Speakers: Dr. Dick Kamugasha, Executive Director, Uganda Industrial Research Institute (UIRI), Kampala, Uganda

Professor Yoshitoshi Tanaka  
Department of Industrial Engineering and Economics,  
School of Engineering, Tokyo Institute of Technology, Tokyo,  
Japan

- (b) The Importance of Commercial Identifiers for Business Competitiveness:
- Industrial Designs
  - Trademarks
  - Geographical Indications

Speaker: Mr. Leonard Kosgei, Manager, Trade Marks  
Kenya Industrial Property Institute, Nairobi

Discussion

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch Break

14.30 – 15.30 (c) Protecting your Publication: Copyright and Related Rights in Universities and Research Institutions

Speaker: Mr. Edward Sigei, Executive Director the Kenya Copyright Board (KECOBO), Nairobi

Discussion

15.30 – 16.00 Coffee Break

16.00 – 17.00 **Topic 2** **Protecting New Plant Varieties to Promote Agricultural Research**

*This session will discuss the importance of developing and protecting new plant varieties for the benefit of breeders, producers and farmers. It will also present the international legal framework for the protection of new plant varieties (the International Union for the Protection of New Plant Varieties (UPOV) system) and its role in promoting agricultural research and development (R&D)*

Speakers: Mr. Philippe Benjamin Rivoire,  
Technical/Regional Officer, International Union for the  
Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV), Geneva

Mr. Simeon Kibet, General Manager, Quality Assurance,  
Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Services (KEPHIS)

Discussions

**End of Day One**

19.00 – 21.00 Reception offered by KIPI

Saturday, October 20, 2018

THEME II THE EFFECTIVE USE OF THE IP SYSTEM BY  
UNIVERSITIES AND RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS

9.00 – 11.00 **Topic 3 The Strategic Importance of Public-Private Partnerships in  
Creating a Virtuous Circle**

Moderator David Njuguna, Manager, Patents, KIPI

*One of the engines of economic development is the cooperation between Research and Development (R&D) institutions, the public and the private sector for generation and exploitation of innovative products. This session will discuss the linkages between R&D results and the market, as well as available opportunities for wealth creation.*

- (a) From the Idea to the Market Place
- (b) Collaborative Research
- (c) Licensing, Assignment

Speakers: Prof. Tom Peter Migun Ogada, Associate Professor in Mechanical Engineering, International IP Consultant, Nairobi.

Discussion

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee-Break

11.30 – 13.00 **Topic 4 Facilitating the Use of IP for Development**

*This session will present WIPO's activities relevant to universities and R&D institutions for capacity building, human resource development, IP institutional framework and management of IP assets, as well as the different WIPO platforms for access to Knowledge*

Moderator: David Njuguna, Manager, Patents, KIPI

- (a) WIPO's Technical Assistance Programs:
  - National Innovation and IP Strategies and Plans
  - Institutional and Technical Infrastructure
  - Legislative Assistance and Policy Advice
  - Enhancing Human Capital – The WIPO Academy
- (b) WIPO's Platforms for Access to Scientific Technological Information (TISC, WIPO Re:Search, WIPO Green)
- (c) The relevance of Institutional IP Policy and Strategies for Universities in Africa

- Speakers: Ms. Joyce Banya
- Ms. Rose Mboya, Head of Intellectual Property Division,  
Kenya Industrial Research and Development Institute  
(KIRDI), Nairobi
- Dr. Dick Kamugasha
- Discussion
- 13.00 – 14.30 Lunch Break
- 14.30 – 15.30 **Topic 5 The Role of the Regional IP Organizations in Promoting the Effective Use of the IP System in Africa**
- Speaker: (a) ARIPO  
Mr. Emmanuel Sackey, Chief Examiner, African Regional  
Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO), Harare
- Speaker: (b) Organisation africaine de la propriété intellectuelle  
(OAPI)  
A Representative of OAPI
- Discussion
- 15.30 – 16.30 WRAP-UP ON THE OUTCOME AND WAY FORWARD
- Rapporteurs will present the outcome of discussions during the two-day meeting. Participants will agree on the way forward/next steps to be presented to the Vice Chancellors' Biennial Conference*
- Moderator: Ms. Joyce Banya
- Speakers All
- 16.30 – 17.00 Closing ceremony

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## VICE CHANCELLORS FORUM

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**Nairobi, Kenya, October 23, 2018**

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Tuesday, October 23, 2018

- 8.30 – 9.00      Registration
- 9.00 – 9.45      Opening Ceremony
- Welcome address by:
- Mr. Sylvance Sange, Managing Director, the Kenya Industrial Property Institute (KIPI), Nairobi
- Mr. Yoshihiro Katayama, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Japan to Kenya
- Mr. Emmanuel Sackey, Chief Examiner, African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO), Harare.
- Mr. Yoshiyuki Takagi, Assistant Director General  
                    Global Infrastructure Sector, the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva
- Prof. Adipala Ekwamu, Executive Secretary, Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM), Kampala
- Mr. Julius K. Kirimi, Director for Industries, State Department for Industrialization, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Cooperation
- 9.45 – 10.00      Group Photo
- Coffee Break
- THEME                      INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (IP) AND INNOVATION  
  FOR AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL  
  DEVELOPMENT
- Moderator: Mr. Yoshiyuki Takagi
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Competitiveness

- Industrial Designs
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(c) Protecting your Publication: Copyright and Related  
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Discussions

11.00 – 12.00

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**The Strategic Importance of public-private  
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Speakers: The Representative of RUFORUM (TBC)

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Dr. Esther Kimani, Managing Director, Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Service (KEPHIS)

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