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1. Oh Uganda! may God uphold thee,
We lay our future in thy hand.
United, free,
For liberty
Together we'll always stand.

2. Oh Uganda! the land of freedom.
Our love and labour we give,
And with neighbours all
At our country's call
In peace and friendship we'll live.

3. Oh Uganda! the land that feeds us
By sun and fertile soil grown.
For our own dear land,
We'll always stand,
The Pearl of Africa's Crown.



THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY ANTHEM

1. Ee Mungu twaomba ulinde
Jumuiya Afrika Mashariki
Tuwezeshe kuishi kwa amani
Tutimize na malengo yetu.

Chorus

*Jumuiya Yetu sote tuilinde
Tuwajibike tuimarike
Umoja wetu ni nguzo yetu
Idumu Jumuiya yetu.*

2. Uzalendo pia mshikamano
Viwe msingi wa Umoja wetu
Natulinde Uhuru na Amani
Mila zetu na desturi zetu.

3. Viwandani na hata mashambani
Tufanye kazi sote kwa makini
Tujitoe kwa hali na mali
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The Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Uganda (ICPAU) is the national Professional Accountancy Organisation (PAO). ICPAU was established in 1992 by the Accountants Act, Cap. 294.

The functions of the Institute, as prescribed by the Accountants Act, 2013, are:

- i. To regulate and maintain the standard of accountancy in Uganda; and
- ii. To prescribe and regulate the conduct of accountants and practising accountants in Uganda.



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Mission: To develop and regulate accountants for professional excellence and sustainable impact.

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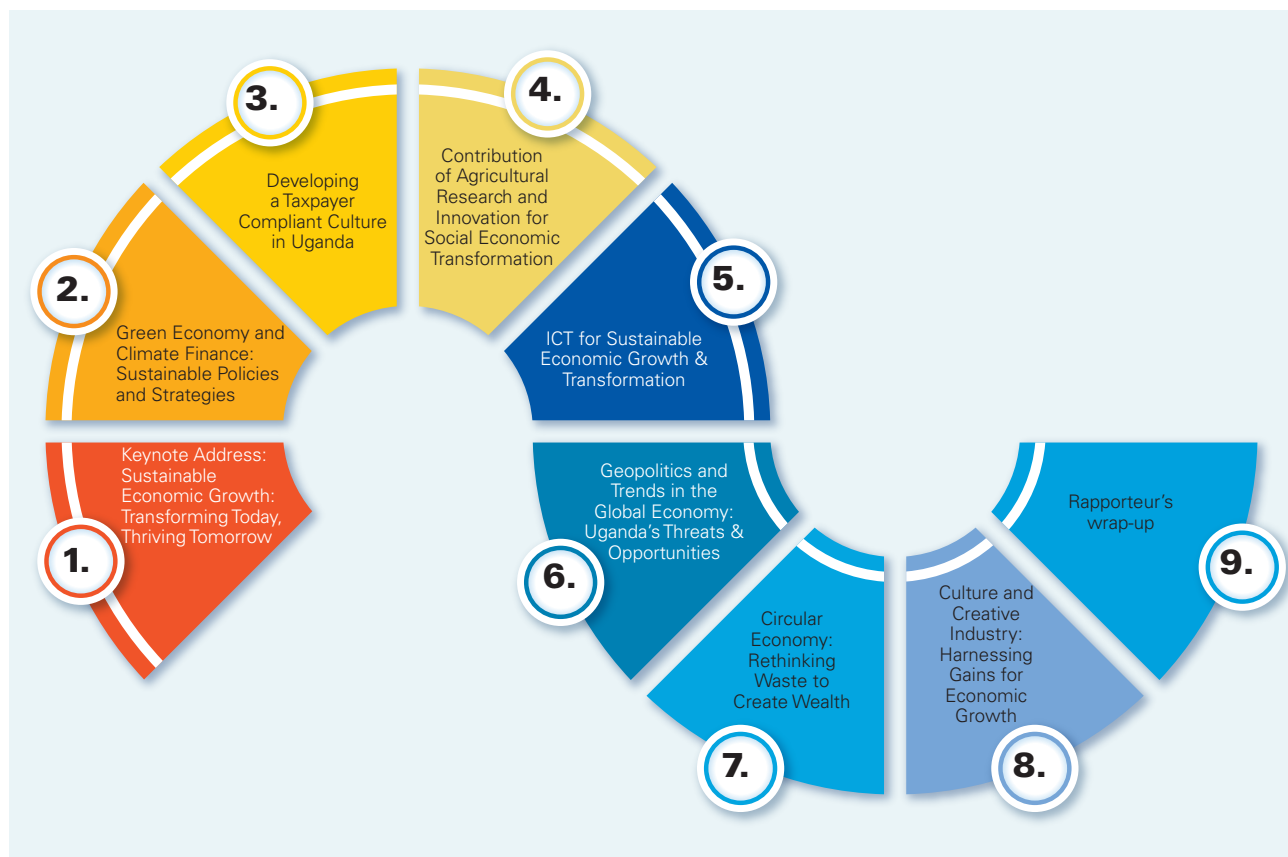
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The CPA Economic Forum is a national economic policy think tank organised for accountants and other professionals. From the dialogues, economic policy recommendations are forwarded to the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development as input into the national budgeting process.

The Forum is organised by the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Uganda.

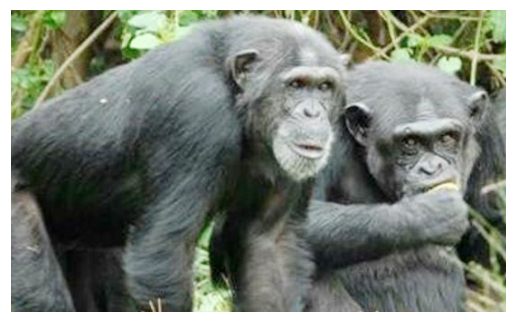
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Team Building

1. Aerobics
2. Walking/Jogging
3. Joy Sailing
4. Excursion to UWEC



Medical Camp



Entertainers

1. Afrigo Band
2. Eddie Kenzo
3. Azawi



In Attendance

1. Accounting officers
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4. Policymakers
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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF ICPAU



On behalf of the Council of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Uganda (ICPAU), I welcome you to the 13th CPA Economic Forum, which is being held under the theme, "Sustainable Economic Growth: Transforming Today, Thriving Tomorrow."

This forum represents more than a professional convergence. It is a national call to action. A gathering of minds and a sharing of ideas that go beyond theory, charting a path that bridges policy, practice, and purpose. We are here not only to deliberate, but also to influence the course of Uganda's development. Each of you as professionals, policymakers, innovators, and stakeholders carries a unique voice that contributes to the collective vision for a prosperous Uganda.

Since its inception, the CPA Economic Forum has served as a vital platform through which accountants and other thought leaders engage meaningfully on issues that matter most to our economy. Through rigorous discussions, knowledge sharing, and policy input, the forum plays a key role in shaping Uganda's national development agenda. Indeed, the policy recommendations generated here are submitted to various government agencies and the Ministry of Finance, Planning, and Economic Development and form part of your contribution towards the national budget framework for the forthcoming financial years.

This year's theme, challenges us to be intentional about the decisions we make today. With Uganda's economy experiencing both emerging opportunities and global shocks from climate change to geopolitical tensions, digital disruptions and demographic shifts,

it is evident that our future prosperity hinges on how well we respond, adapt, and innovate.

Financial reporting is a critical aspect of sustainability. Through reporting and assurance, organisations appraise investors and other stakeholders on their commitment to climate action. Any gaps identified are promptly addressed ahead of the next reporting season.

In September 2024, the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Uganda (ICPAU) made a pronouncement on the adoption of IFRS sustainability disclosure standards, IFRS S1 and IFRS S2. A roadmap for implementing the standards is in the final stages of development. ICPAU is among 17 global jurisdictions that have been recognised by the IFRS Foundation for its progress in the adoption of the IFRS sustainability disclosure standards. An ICPAU snapshot has been published on the IFRS Foundation website, www.ifrs.org.

As we convene over these three days, let us remain open to bold ideas and critical thinking. Let us listen attentively, question thoughtfully, and contribute constructively. I wish to thank all our partners, speakers, and the Events Management Committee, for their contributions towards the success of the 13th CPA Economic Forum.

To all participants, your time, presence, and insight are deeply valued. May you leave this forum enriched, inspired, and renewed in your purpose as professionals driving transformation to create impact.

CPA Timothy David Ediomu

THE EVENTS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE EVENTS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



It is my great pleasure, on behalf of the Events Management Committee to welcome you to the 13th edition of the CPA Economic Forum.

Over the years, this Forum has become a cornerstone for thoughtful dialogue and collaboration among professionals, policymakers, business leaders, and academics. It continues to provide a vital space where ideas are exchanged, partnerships are formed, and meaningful solutions to economic challenges are explored. This year's gathering is no exception; we are building on a strong legacy and pushing it even further.

We are taking the dialogue a notch higher. We shall explore culture and the creative industry, a sector which contributes substantially to the economy, but which has been given minimal attention. To unpack the discussion, we have curated a remarkable lineup of panellists comprising an actor, an artist/policymaker and an entrepreneur. Be sure not to miss this session.

The programme promises a unique blend of economy, social and environmental topics ensuring comprehensive coverage of the theme, *Sustainable Economic Growth: Transforming Today, Thriving Tomorrow*. The impressive line-up of speakers and sessions that cut across various sectors, are all designed to deepen our understanding and spark cross-sector collaboration.

As is our norm, we deliver a complete Continuing Professional Development (CPD) experience, enriching mind and body. For team building, we have aerobics, an excursion to the Uganda Wildlife Education Conservation Centre, and the popular joy sailing on Lake Victoria.

The evenings promise great fun and entertainment amid the gentle lakeside breeze. The acclaimed Afrigo Band will dazzle you on day one with timeless authentic music of the Pearl, while renowned afrobeats sensation Azawi will entertain on day three. For the first time, global award-winning artiste Eddy Kenzo will perform for accountants in Entebbe. Get ready to dance to traditional African rhythm—ensure to bring the stamina.

And yes! We have dress codes for the dinners—all black, Caribbean and stripes. Our fashion police will be on standby to reward the dress code models.

For your health, the medical camp will be available offering a wide range of screening and counselling services to help you remain in charge of your wellness.

I encourage you to take part in all forum activities for a rich experience and optimum value. Remember, full participation will earn you 21 CPD hours.

I sincerely thank all our partners for their support towards the success of the CPA Economic Forum. We look forward to continued collaboration. I also appreciate members of the Events Management Committee and the Institute's staff for their dedication to the success of the Institute's events.

To all participants, thank you for being part of this journey. I encourage you to engage fully, share openly, and take every opportunity to connect.

Wishing you a productive and enriching forum.

CPA David Bunnya Sserebe



THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION

ROADMAP FOR ELECTIONS FOR SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (SIGS) COMMITTEES FROM THE VILLAGE TO THE NATIONAL LEVEL, 2025/2026 GENERAL ELECTIONS

1	NOMINATION OF VILLAGE SIGS COMMITTEES CANDIDATES: OLDER PERSONS (OP); PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PWD) AND YOUTH	2 ND – 10 TH JUNE 2025	18	HOLDING SUB-COUNTY CONFERENCES TO ELECT NON-UNIONISED WORKERS DELEGATES TO THE DISTRICT/CITY	11 TH JULY 2025
2	CONDUCT OF CANDIDATES' CAMPAIGN MEETINGS (OP; PWD AND YOUTH)	12 TH – 14 TH JUNE 2025	19	COMPILATION OF MUNICIPAL AND CITY DIVISION SIG REGISTERS	21 ST – 22 ND JULY 2025
3	POLLING FOR VILLAGE OLDER PERSONS COMMITTEES	16 TH JUNE 2025	20	NOMINATION OF MUNICIPALITY/CITY DIVISION SIG COMMITTEES CANDIDATES: OLDER PERSONS; PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES; YOUTH	24 TH – 25 TH JULY 2025
4	POLLING FOR VILLAGE PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PWD) COMMITTEES	17 TH JUNE 2025	21	CONDUCT OF CANDIDATES' CAMPAIGN MEETINGS (OP; PWD AND YOUTH)	28 TH – 29 TH JULY 2025
5	POLLING FOR VILLAGE YOUTH COMMITTEES	19 TH JUNE 2025	22	POLLING FOR MUNICIPALITY AND CITY DIVISION OLDER PERSONS COMMITTEES	30 TH JULY 2025
6	COMPILATION OF PARISH/WARD SIGS REGISTERS	20 TH – 23 RD JUNE 2025	23	POLLING FOR MUNICIPALITY AND CITY DIVISION PWDS COMMITTEES	1 ST AUGUST 2025
7	NOMINATION OF PARISH/WARD SIGS COMMITTEE CANDIDATES: OLDER PERSONS (OP); PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PWD) AND YOUTH	26 TH – 27 TH JUNE 2025	24	POLLING FOR MUNICIPALITY AND CITY DIVISION YOUTH COMMITTEES	4 TH AUGUST 2025
8	CONDUCT OF CANDIDATES' CAMPAIGN MEETINGS (OP; PWD AND YOUTH)	30 TH JUNE – 5 TH JULY 2025	25	HOLDING OF DISTRICT CONFERENCES TO ELECT NON-UNIONISED WORKERS DELEGATES TO THE REGIONS	25 TH AUGUST 2025
9	POLLING FOR PARISH/WARD PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PWDS) COMMITTEES	30 TH JUNE – 5 TH JULY 2025	26	COMPILATION OF DISTRICT AND CITY SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (SIG) REGISTERS	6 TH – 9 TH AUGUST 2025
10	CONDUCT OF CANDIDATES' CAMPAIGN MEETINGS (OP; PWD AND YOUTH)	4 TH JULY 2025	27	NOMINATION OF DISTRICT AND CITY SIGS COMMITTEE CANDIDATES: OLDER PERSONS; PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES; YOUTH	11 TH – 12 TH UGUST 2025
11	POLLING FOR PARISH/WARD YOUTH COMMITTEES	7 TH JULY 2025	28	CONDUCT OF CANDIDATES' CAMPAIGN MEETINGS (OP; PWD AND YOUTH)	13 TH – 17 TH AUGUST
12	COMPILATION OF SUB-COUNTY, TOWN & MUNICIPAL DIVISION SIG REGISTERS	8 TH JULY 2025	29	POLLING FOR DISTRICT AND CITY OLDER PERSONS COMMITTEES	15 TH AUGUST 2025
13	NOMINATION OF SUB-COUNTY, TOWN & MUNICIPAL DIVISION SIGS COMMITTEES CANDIDATES: OLDER PERSONS; PWDS; YOUTH	9 TH – 10 TH JULY 2025	30	POLLING FOR DISTRICT AND CITY YOUTH COMMITTEES	18 TH AUGUST 2025
14	CONDUCT OF CANDIDATES' CAMPAIGN MEETINGS (OP; PWD AND YOUTH)	11 TH – 13 TH JULY 2025	31	POLLING FOR DISTRICT AND CITY OLDER PERSONS COMMITTEES	19 TH AUGUST 2025
15	POLLING FOR SUB-COUNTY, TOWN AND MUNICIPAL DIVISION OP COMMITTEES	14 TH JULY 2025	32	COMPILATION OF THE NATIONAL YOUTH REGISTER	18 TH –20 TH AUG. 2025
16	POLLING FOR SUB-COUNTY, TOWN, MUNICIPAL DIVISION PWDS COMMITTEES	16 TH JULY 2025	33	NOMINATION, CAMPAIGNS, AND POLLING FOR THE NATIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL COMMITTEE	27 TH – 29 TH AUGUST 2025
17	POLLING: SUB-COUNTY TOWN & MUNICIPAL DIVISION YOUTH COMMITTEES	18 TH JULY 2025			

The Commission calls on all stakeholders to take note of the above timelines and to participate in the respective activities following the guidelines for the elections.

Justice Byabakama Mugenyi Simon
CHAIRPERSON, ELECTORAL COMMISSION

MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY/CEO



It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 13th CPA Economic Forum.

This forum has become a key platform through which we engage in critical dialogue on issues that affect the economic direction of our country. This year's theme, *"Sustainable Economic Growth: Transforming Today, Thriving Tomorrow,"* invites us to reflect on how we can collectively shape a future that is resilient, inclusive, and prosperous.

As professional accountants, our role goes beyond compliance and reporting. We are enablers of transformation and stewards of economic integrity. The choices we make today must be guided by a vision of sustainability that secures opportunities for future generations.

This year's forum brings together thought leaders, policymakers, private sector actors, and development partners to examine how Uganda can strengthen its foundations for long-term growth. We will explore strategic areas such as industrialisation, agriculture, energy, education, infrastructure, and social development, which are crucial to unlocking sustainable wealth creation, decent employment, and national competitiveness.

ICPAU is proud to lead these conversations and remains committed to supporting the implementation of Uganda's National Development Plan and empowering professional accountants to contribute meaningfully to economic transformation.

Among the key reforms, ICPAU suggested to the government is the requirement for taxpayers with an annual turnover of UGX 500 million and

above to file tax returns accompanied by financial statements audited by a member of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Uganda (ICPAU). It is over 10 years ago and we now continue to advocate for every adult Ugandan with a National Identification Number (NIN) to file a tax return. This will provide the much-needed data for review to expand the tax base. We commend the Uganda Revenue Authority (URA) for enforcing this requirement.

Through the Financial Reporting (FiRe) awards, the Institute recognises and awards organisations with outstanding performance in sustainability reporting. For 2025, the Institute is taking sustainability reporting a notch higher with the theme, *Sustainability Practices and Reporting in Uncertain Global Times*.

In light of recent advancements in sustainability reporting, particularly the adoption of global sustainability reporting standards for use in Uganda, organisations will be recognised for their efforts in aligning their reporting with these developments.

I appreciate all the participants, speakers, and partners who have made this forum possible. Your contributions will help shape not just policies, but real, impactful action for the betterment of our nation.

I wish you productive deliberations and a successful forum.

CPA Derick Nkajja

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GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPANTS

1. **Forum Venue**

The 13th CPA Economic Forum is a hybrid event with physical participation at the Imperial Resort Beach Hotel, Entebbe, and virtual participation via Zoom.

2. **Virtual Participation**

Virtual participants will receive their Zoom links upon confirmation of payment. It is advisable that this link be tested at least 30 minutes before the opening session.

Participants should note that this link is restricted to only one device at any given time during the event. Participants will not be able to concurrently open the link on multiple devices.

It is also recommended that you test/update the Zoom application via the device to be used. Also, ensure that you have stable internet. Where one's connection is interrupted during the event, they should check their internet and try restarting or switching their device (computer/mobile phone).

3. **Timekeeping**

The forum programme is provided in this magazine. You are encouraged to be punctual to avoid missing key activities. Considering that there are virtual participants, timekeeping will be strictly observed.

4. **Accommodation, Check-in, and Checkout for Physical Participants**

The Institute has made arrangements for accommodation (bed and breakfast) for three nights at the following six designated hotels:

- (a) Imperial Resort Beach Hotel (IRBH)
- (b) Imperial Golf View Hotel
- (c) Imperial Apartments
- (d) Admas Grand Hotel
- (e) Best Western Premier Hotel
- (f) Grik Hotel

Check-in will be on Wednesday, 9 July 2025, from 7.00 a.m. at the respective hotels and check-out on Saturday, 12 July 2025, by 10.00 a.m.

Considering that participants will be leaving their homes very early to check in, morning tea/coffee/bites will be provided and served at the Imperial Resort Beach Hotel basement area from 7.00 - 8.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 9 July 2025.

For the subsequent days, breakfast will be provided at the respective hotels.

The accommodation package includes complimentary use of the health club facilities, excluding massage.

5. **Meals and Drinks**

Standard meals and drinks will be served as specified on the programme. Any extras, including room service, will be borne by the participant.

6. **Name Tags**

Each physical participant will receive a name tag to access the forum and meal venues. Participants are encouraged to wear their name tags throughout the conference and during the dinners. Please note that lunch/dinner coupons will only be issued at designated points.

7. **Forum Kit**

Physical participants will receive their conference kits at Imperial Resort Beach Hotel, Entebbe on Wednesday, 9 July 2025 at 7.00 a.m.

Online participants (with conference kits) are requested to collect their kits from ICPAU offices at Plot 46, Bukoto Street, starting Monday, 14 July 2025, at 9.00 a.m.

8. **Inter-Hotel Transfer**

For your convenience, transport arrangements have been made from each designated hotel to the forum venue.

9. **Extras**

Food and drinks outside the standard meal times and places are not covered in the Institute's package.

10. **Medical Camp**

As part of the Institute's Corporate Social Responsibility, there will be a free medical camp at the conference venue. The services will include:-

- a) Diabetes screening
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- c) Breast & cervical cancer screening
- d) Hepatitis B screening
- e) HIV testing & counselling
- f) RDT Malaria
- g) RPR syphilis
- h) Family planning
- i) H. Pylori testing

11. **Dinners & Entertainment**

As part of your forum package, dinners for physical participants and non-residents will be provided **daily starting from 7.00 p.m.** as follows:

Date	Function	Venue	Entertainment
Wednesday, 9 July 2025	Day 1 Dinner	IRBH	Afrigo Band
Thursday, 10 July 2025	Day 2 Dinner	IRBH	Eddie Kenzo
Friday, 11 July 2025	Day 3 Dinner	IRBH	Azawi

12. Dress Code

Forum	
Day 1 (9 July 2025)	Formal
Day 2 (10 July 2025)	Smart Casual with ICPAU Corporate wear (to be issued at the conference)
Day 3 (11 July 2025)	Employer's Corporate Wear

Dinners	
Day 1 (9 July 2025)	All Black
Day 2 (10 July 2025)	Caribbean/Floral
Day 3 (11 July 2025)	Stripes/Casual Smart

13. Accompanying Persons

All participants who would like to onboard **accompanying persons** for dinners, bed & breakfast are required to register with the Secretariat and pay Shs. 250,000/= per day in advance.

14. Leisure Activities

A number of leisure activities have been lined up for Thursday, 10 July 2025, from 3.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m., and all participants are expected to participate. Please carry your sportswear/ appropriate wear for the following activities: -

SN	Activity	Contact name	Contact Tel
1.	Aerobics	Lydia Tusiime	0704 153314
2.	Joy Sailing	Angel Rodney Ekachellan	0781 341231
3.	Excursion to UWEC	Jackline Nabirye	0779 563588
4.	Walking/Jogging	Donatus Kimera	0700 694025

15. Security

Safety and security at the forum have been enhanced. Participants are urged to cooperate with all security personnel.

Participants are strongly advised to park their vehicles in the gazetted areas and to stick a **CPA Uganda sticker** on them.

16. General Administration

For any assistance, please contact any of the following officers of ICPAU:

	Name	Telephone	Form of Assistance
1.	Simon Oola	0772 740126	General Information
2.	Angel Rodney Ekachellan	0781 341231	General information/Sponsorships
3.	Justus Turinawe	0778 772530	Accommodation
4.	David Okongo	0782 538353	
5.	Paul N. Lungande	0772 648246	General Inter-Hotel Transport/Medical camp
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PROGRAMME

DAY ONE:

WEDNESDAY, 9 JULY 2025

DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMMES: CPA DAVID SSEREBE, CHAIRPERSON EVENTS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

TIME	TOPICS / ITEMS	OVERVIEW	SPEAKERS	CHAIRPERSONS
7.00 - 9.00 am	Check In/Registration/ Morning Tea			
9.00 – 9.30 am	a) Prayer			CPA Alfred Kabuchu, Vice President, ICPAU
	b) Anthems of Uganda & EAC			
	c) Welcome Remarks		CPA Derick Nkajja, Secretary / CEO, ICPAU	
			CPA Timothy Ediomu, President, ICPAU	
9.30 – 10.20 am	Opening & Keynote Address: Sustainable Economic Growth: Transforming Today, Thriving Tomorrow	The Forum will focus on generating policy proposals to building thriving, equitable, and sustainable economy and communities for generations of today and tomorrow to improve human lives, protect the environment.	Mr. Ramathan Ggoobi, Permanent Secretary/ Secretary to the Treasury, Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development	
10.20 -10.30am	Partner's Message:			
10.30 - 11.00 am	Health Break & Photo Session			
11.00 – 12.50 pm	Green Economy and Climate Finance: Sustainable Policies and Strategies	Green finance broadly refers to the strategic allocation of financial resources toward projects and initiatives that foster environmental sustainability and mitigate the adverse impacts of climate change. This refers to funding for a range of activities, such as renewable energy initiatives, climate-resilient infrastructure, sustainable agriculture, and pollution reduction. This session will discuss practical sustainable policies and strategies on green economy and climate financing options.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Denis Mugagga, Head of Climate Finance Unit, Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development CPA Patricia Ojangole, Uganda Development Bank Limited 	CPA Samuel Fredrick Mwogeza, Executive Director, Stanbic Bank Uganda
12.50 - 1.00 pm	Partner's Message: Uganda National Oil Company (UNOC)			
1.00 – 2.00 pm	Lunch Break			
2.00 – 4:30 pm	Developing a Taxpayer Compliant Culture in Uganda	Uganda's tax-to-GDP ratio rotates around 13-14%, which is below the Sub-Saharan African average of 16% versus the OECD average of 34%. In order to increase the tax-to-GDP ratio and foster a tax-paying culture, Uganda can focus on strengthening tax administration, improving transparency, and building trust among citizens. This session will deliberate on strategies of enabling tax compliant culture.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Joseph Muvawala, Executive Director, National Planning Authority CPA Muhammed Ssempijja, Partner, Ernst & Young Mr. Charles Andrew Mua, Assistant Commissioner, Business Policy, Uganda Revenue Authority 	CPA Silajji Kanyesigye, Managing Partner, RKA & Company
4.30 – 6.30 pm	Evening Tea/Networking Exercises			
7.00 – 9.30 pm	Opening Dinner			

SPEAKERS

SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC GROWTH: TRANSFORMING TODAY, THRIVING TOMORROW

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Ramathan Ggoobi is the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development and Secretary to the Treasury of the Republic of Uganda since July 2021. He is an accomplished economist and policy analyst who has spent most of his career teaching Economics at various universities, particularly at Makerere University Business School (MUBS), where he headed a think tank, the MUBS Economic Forum.

Between September 2017 and September 2020, Mr Ggoobi served on the Board of Directors of the Uganda Development Corporation (UDC), where he was rated the best Director. Between June 2020 and July 2021, he served as a Senior Presidential Advisor on national economy.

Mr Ggoobi has consulted with several organisations, including the International Labour Organisation (ILO), Overseas Development Institute (ODI) UK, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES), Financial Sector Deepening Uganda (FSDU), and Action Coalition for Development and Environment (ACODE). He holds a Master's degree in Economic Policy and Planning from Makerere University, and he is a PhD Candidate at Walden University, USA.



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Previously, CPA Nkajja served as a member of the Compliance Advisory Panel of the International Federation of Accountants representing Africa, and he also represented Eastern Africa on the Board of the Pan African Federation of Accountants. He holds a Master of Business Administration from Edinburgh Business School, Heriot-Watt University, UK.

SPEAKERS

GREEN ECONOMY AND CLIMATE FINANCE: SUSTAINABLE POLICIES AND STRATEGIES

Denis Mugagga is the Head of the Climate Finance Unit at the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development. He has over 15 years of experience in external resource mobilisation and climate finance, and he has led efforts to strengthen Uganda's capacity to access, manage, and deploy climate finance from sources such as the Green Climate Fund (GCF), Global Environment Facility (GEF), and Adaptation Fund. Mr. Mugagga has represented Uganda, the African Group of Negotiators (AGN), and Least Developed Countries (LDCs) in UNFCCC climate finance negotiations since COP21. He is widely recognised for his contributions to shaping climate finance policies and frameworks that support low-carbon, climate-resilient development. He holds a Master of Science in Development Economics from Uganda Martyrs University.



Dr Patricia Ojangole is the Managing Director of the Uganda Development Bank (UDB) Limited since 2013. Under her leadership, UDB's balance sheet has grown from UGX 109 billion to UGX 1.78 trillion as of 2024, positioning the Bank as a catalyst for Uganda's industrialisation and socio-economic development. Before joining UDB, Dr. Ojangole served as Senior Manager of Internal Audit at Standard Bank Group. In 2025, she was appointed Chairperson of the Association of African Development Finance Institutions (AADFI), the first woman to hold the role. The same year, she was awarded Banker of the Year at the African Banker Awards and previously earned Sustainability Leader of the Year (2021–2024) at the Karlsruhe Sustainable Finance Awards. Dr Ojangole serves on several Boards, including Uganda Bankers' Association, Trademark Africa, Liberty Life Assurance Uganda, and Busitema University Council. She also sits on the Board of ADFIMI. She holds a PhD and Master of Philosophy in Development Finance (cum laude) from Stellenbosch Business School.

DEVELOPING A TAXPAYER COMPLIANT CULTURE IN UGANDA

Dr Joseph Muvawala is the Executive Director of the National Planning Authority. He previously worked with the Ministry of Transport as a Transport Economist, before his role as a Macroeconomist at the Ministry of Local Government. He also served as an Immigration Officer at the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Principal Economist in Iganga District. Thereafter, Dr Muvawala joined the Ministry of Education and Sports as a Principal Economist and later Assistant Commissioner in charge of Budget & Development Planning. Dr Muvawala also worked with the African Development Bank in Tunisia as the Principal Education Economist, before moving to South Sudan as a Chief Country Economist. He sits on the top management of the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development and the Presidential CEO Forum. Dr Muvawala holds a PhD in Economics from Makerere University and a Certificate in Public Sector Budget Management from Harvard University.

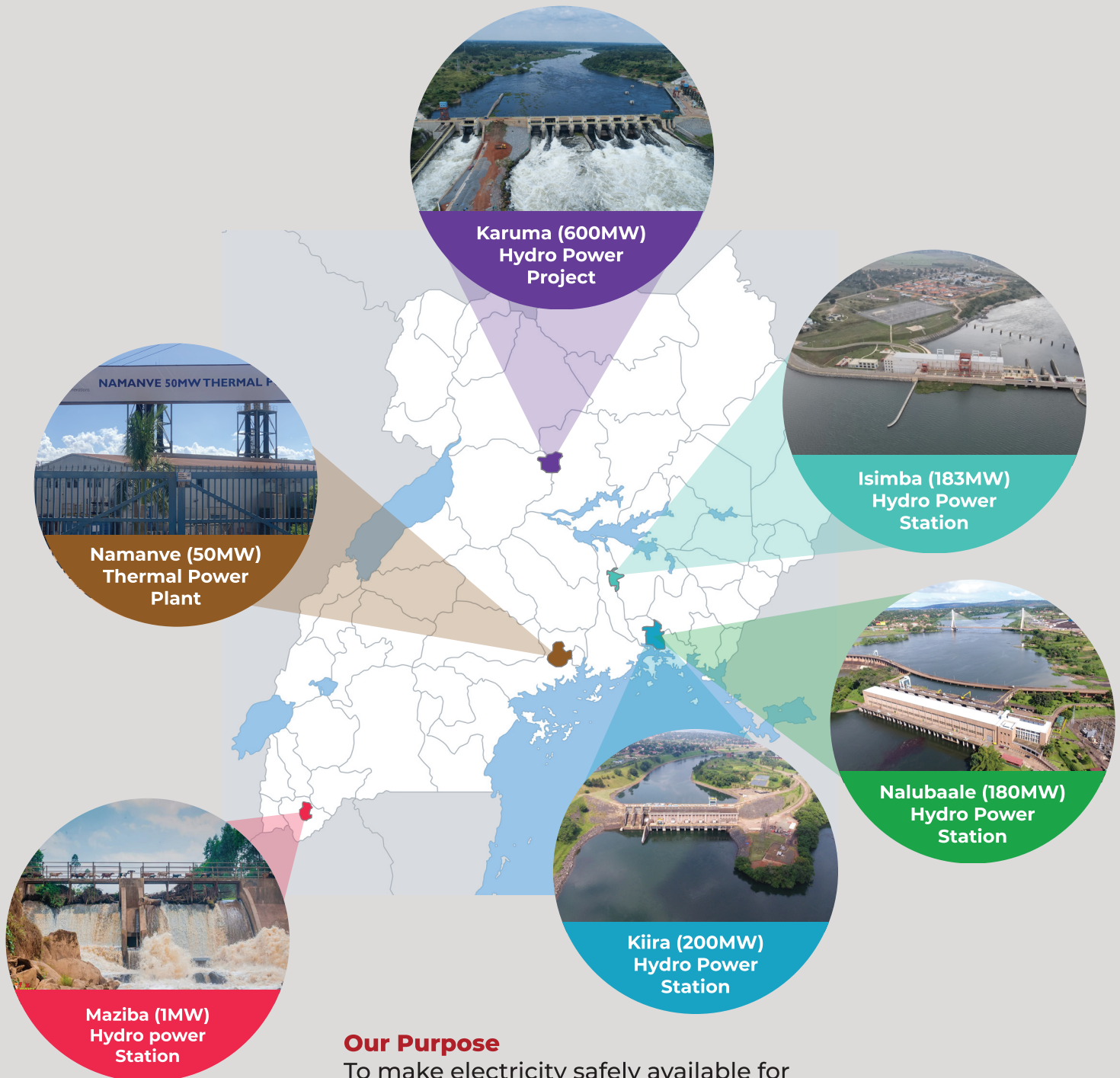


CPA Muhammed Moses Ssempijja is a Partner - Tax at Ernst & Young Uganda. He previously worked with the Uganda Revenue Authority from 1993 to April 1999 as a Tax Auditor. In 1999, CPA Ssempijja joined EY Uganda and became a Tax Partner and later a Tax Business leader from July 2006 to date. He was also EY Uganda Country Managing Partner from 2011 to 2016, and he served as tax leader for EY Rwanda for 5 years until 2018. He is a regular speaker and writer on tax and economic issues. He enjoys reading business books and magazines, travelling and football. CPA Ssempijja is a member of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Uganda since 2002, and a founding member of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Rwanda.

Charles Andrew Mua is the Assistant Commissioner—Business Policy at the Uganda Revenue Authority. He is a tax administrator with over 30 years of experience. Mr Mua is responsible for providing guidance on interpretation of Domestic Tax laws and management of tax policy changes and tax exemptions in the domestic taxes department of the Uganda Revenue Authority. He holds a Bachelor of Commerce from Makerere University, a professional accountancy qualification and a diploma in Income Tax Administration from the Uganda Management Institute.



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TIME	TOPICS / ITEMS	OVERVIEW	SPEAKERS	CHAIRPERSONS
8.30 – 10.20 am	Contribution of Agricultural Research and Innovation for Social Economic Transformation	Agricultural research and value are trigger pathways to economic transformation and achieving a full monetisation of Uganda's economy through commercial agriculture, industrialisation, expanding and broadening services, digital transformation and market access.	Dr. Yona Baguma, Director General, National Agricultural Research Organisation	CPA Richard Byarugaba, Executive Director Finance, Bank of Uganda
10.20 -10.30am	Partner's Message: National Social Security Fund (NSSF)			
10.40 - 11.00 am	Health Break			
11.00 – 12.50 pm	ICT for Sustainable Economic Growth & Transformation	The 4 th National Development Plan (NDP IV) emphasizes the role of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in achieving sustainable economic growth and transformation in Uganda. NDP IV aims to leverage ICT to boost various sectors, including agriculture, industry, and tourism, and to drive a 10-fold economic growth. This session will generate sustainable ICT policies to transform Uganda into a middle-income Country.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Hatwib Mugasa, National Information Technology Authority Mr. Michael Niyitegeka, Executive Director, Refactory 	CPA Aggrey Samuel Mankaati, Director Internal Audit, Deposit Protection Fund of Uganda
12.50 -1.00 pm	Partner's Message: Uganda Printing and Publishing Corporation			
1.00 - 2.10 pm	Lunch Break			
2.00 - 6.30 pm	Team Building Activities/Tasks			
7.00 – 9.30 pm	Dinner			

SPEAKERS

CONTRIBUTION OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND INNOVATION FOR SOCIAL ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION

Dr Yona Baguma is the Director General of the National Agricultural Research Organisation. He is a distinguished biotechnologist with over 35 years of experience. Dr Baguma is an examiner of higher degree theses (MSc (39), PhD (7)). He has supervised over 30 undergraduate students in plant genetics, biotechnology, and molecular cell biology. As a result of his contributions, Dr Baguma was recognised as an emerging leader in agricultural research and development. He is also an accomplished writer with over 100 publications to his name. He is the Editor-in-Chief and chairperson of the Editorial Board of the Uganda Journal of Agricultural Sciences.

Dr Yona serves on several national, regional, and international committees and boards. He is a board member of the Association for Strengthening Agricultural Research for Eastern and Central Africa (ASARECA), chairperson of the Board of Directors of Makerere University Regional Centre for Crop Improvement (MARCCI), a member of the Africa Biosafety Network of Expertise Technical Advisory Committee (ABNE), and the chairperson of the Guidie University Project, Council. As part of his contribution to his local community, Dr Baguma supports the church, especially in the area of educational development. He holds a PhD in Molecular Biology from the Swedish University for Agricultural Sciences.



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Dr Hatwib Mugasa is the Executive Director of the National Information Technology Authority Uganda (NITA-U), bringing over 15 years of professional experience in telecommunications, innovation research, and information technology leadership. Dr Mugasa has held key roles in prominent institutions, including MTN Uganda, Makerere University, and Louisiana Tech University in the United States. His research and publications span the development, implementation and evaluation of computational models and tools, with a focus on biomedical informatics, Artificial Intelligence, and cybersecurity. He holds a Doctorate in Computational Analysis and Modelling, an interdisciplinary degree encompassing Computational Mathematics, Machine Learning and Data Science.

Michael Niyitegeka is the Executive Director Refactory Limited. He is also the Country Manager for ICDL Africa. Mr Niyitegeka practices leadership development, business technology strategy and business advisory services primarily through coaching and mentoring. He possesses 22 years of working experience in both the private and public sectors. He has worked and consulted for various sectors, with a specific focus on business development, leadership development, strategy development, technology development and integration. He has mentored and coached individuals and companies across different sectors over the last 10 years. Mr Niyitegeka was a member of the ICT Technical Working Group of the Presidential Investor Round Table and the Advisory group for the Government of Uganda on the 4IR Technologies. He is a Board member in the FinTech, Insurance, Media, and Courier industries. He is a Rotarian, and he is passionate about mentoring the next generation of technology business leaders.



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DAY THREE:

FRIDAY, 11 JULY 2025

DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMMES: CPA REHEMA NAKIREMBE, MEMBER EVENTS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

TIME	TOPICS / ITEMS	OVERVIEW	SPEAKERS	CHAIRPERSONS
8.30 – 10.10 am	Geopolitics and Trends in the Global Economy: Uganda's Threats & Opportunities	Trade relationships are continuing to reconfigure, and changing geopolitics is a major reason. Therefore, business leaders are expected to exercise informed making decisions and agility. This session will analyse Uganda's threat and opportunities in regard to global trends and commerce.	Prof. Samuel Sejjaka, Country Leader, MAT ABACUS Business School	CPA Micheal Otonga Ochan, Director Finance and Corporate Services, Petroleum Authority of Uganda
10.40 - 11.00 am	Health Break			
11.00 – 12.50 pm	Circular Economy: Rethinking Waste to Create Wealth	The circular economy is a system where materials never become waste and nature is regenerated; products and materials are kept in circulation through processes like maintenance, reuse, remanufacture, recycling, refurbishment and composting. In today's fast-paced global village, the concept of waste has undergone a profound transformation due to rising environmental challenges among others.	Mr. Peter Okwoko, Entrepreneur, Takataka Plastics Limited	CPA Christine Mugume, Partner, CMK & Co.
12.50 – 1.00 pm	Partner's Message			
1.00 - 2.00 pm	Lunch Break			
2.00 – 4.00 pm	Culture and Creative Industry: Harnessing Gains for Economic Growth	Uganda's creative industry has a vibrant sector encompassing arts, fashion, crafts, advertising, design, entertainment. The industry has the potential to generate revenues, create employment opportunities, promote, protect culture, enhance creativity and tourism to foster innovation for social economic transformation. The Forum will deliberate on initiatives to enhance an enabling environment for culture and creative industry.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Aisha Nabwanika, CEO, Ewaffe Cultural Village Mr. Matthew Nabwiiso, Actor Hon. Racheal Magoola, Chairperson, Parliamentary Forum on Creatives 	CPA Sandra Batte Nakibuule, Associate Director, Ernst & Young
4.00 - 4.30 pm	Rapporteur Wrap-up		Mr. Allan Kayongo	
4.30 – 5.00 pm	Closing Remarks		CPA Alfred Kabuchu, Vice President, ICPAU	
5.00 – 6.30 pm	Evening Tea/Health Exercises			
7.00 – 10.00 pm	Closing Dinner			

SPEAKERS

GEOPOLITICS AND TRENDS IN THE GLOBAL ECONOMY: UGANDA'S THREATS & OPPORTUNITIES

CPA Prof. Samuel Sejjaaka is the Team Leader at MAT ABACUS Business School and Aptech Uganda. He is a Partner at Sejjaaka, Kaawaase & Co. Certified Public Accountants and the chairman, Nation Media Group Uganda. Prof. Sejjaaka is also the chairman, Old Mutual Investment Group, and a board member of Case Hospital. Prof. Sejjaaka's previous roles include chairman of the Petroleum Revenue Investment Advisory Council, board member of Stanbic Bank, and deputy principal of Makerere University Business School. He is a fellow of the Uganda National Academy of Science, a member of the Rotary Club of Kyadondo, a golfer and an independent thinker.



CIRCULAR ECONOMY: RETHINKING WASTE TO CREATE WEALTH



Peter Okwoko is the co-founder & co-CEO of Takataka Plastics. He is a passionate social entrepreneur and environmental advocate, driven by the mission to create inclusive opportunities and foster environmental consciousness in underprivileged communities. As the co-founder and co-CEO of Takataka Plastics, a pioneering waste management social enterprise based in Gulu, Mr Okwoko leads efforts to transform plastic waste into valuable products while empowering marginalised populations, especially youth. Takataka Plastics is committed to developing a circular economy model tailored to the realities of developing countries. Mr Okwoko's commitment to innovation and impact has earned him numerous accolades, including being named a 2022 Echoing Green Fellow and the recipient of the 2020 DANIDA Alumni prize, among other recognitions. He holds a Master of Science in Innovative Communication Technologies and Entrepreneurship from Aalborg University, Denmark.

CULTURE AND CREATIVE INDUSTRY: HARNESSING GAINS FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH

Aisha Nabwanika is the founder and Chief Executive Officer of the award-winning Ewaffe Cultural Village, an eco-cultural tourism centre in Naggalama, Mukono. The village is a gateway to a world where food tourism and cultural immersion unite, offering an unforgettable experience that transports guests to the heart of Uganda's cultural essence. Ms Nabwanika has served as an Administrator at Uganda Tourism Association (UTA) for 6 years.

She is a Board Member of the Association of Ugandan Women in Tourism Trade (AUWOTT), a fellow with African Women Entrepreneurship Cooperative (AWEC), a member of the Uganda Association of Women Entrepreneurs Ltd (UWEAL) and an alumna of the Academy for Women Entrepreneurs (AWE) offered by the United States Mission in Uganda. Ms Nabwanika holds a bachelor's degree in Commerce, and she is pursuing her Master's Degree in Business Administration (MBA) from Makerere University Business School. She holds a certificate in Sustainable Tourism Destination Management offered by UNWTO. Her Passion is women empowerment, rural development and cultural tourism development.



Mathew Nabwiso is an acclaimed Ugandan film director, producer, and actor. He is the president of the National Producers Guild of Uganda. With a career spanning over two decades, Mr Nabwiso has established himself as a versatile and innovative storyteller, known for his ability to craft compelling narratives that resonate with diverse audiences.

As a director, he has worked on numerous films and television series, documentaries and tv commercials such as Rain, Sabotage, Prickly Roses, When you become me, Karamoja and series like #family, Live your dream, Speak up and the latest being the Sanyu series-the longest TV series ever produced in Uganda. In addition to his directing credits, Mr Nabwiso is also a talented actor who has appeared in several films and television shows such as Kyaddala, the Hostel series, and Mpeke town, among others.

His contributions to the film industry have not gone unnoticed. He has received numerous awards and nominations for his work, both locally and internationally like best actor in the AMVCA awards Nigeria 2013, best director at the Zikomo awards Zambia 2023, and best director at the Bayelsa International Film Festival awards Nigeria 2024. Through his production company, Nabwiso Films, Mr Nabwiso continues to develop and produce innovative content that showcases the best of African storytelling.

Hon. Rachel Magoola is a Member of Parliament for Bugweri Constituency and chairs the Executive Committee of the Uganda Parliamentary Forum for Creative Industries (UGAPAFOCI). She is also the Chairperson of the NRM Women's League in Igombe Village and Vice Chairperson of the NRM Women's League in Igombe Sub County. She also serves as the Director and Principal of Walugogo Primary Teachers College, where she mentors and supports tutors. Hon. Magoola's singing career began with Uganda's top group, The Afrigo Band, where she performed from 1989 to 2001 before starting her solo career. She has produced six albums. Her hit song "Obangaina" became a nationwide sensation. She has been recognised as one of the 100 most influential women in Uganda and one of the top 25 celebrities. She is also featured in David Karungi's book Extraordinary Women and in the Lusoga syllabus for secondary schools.



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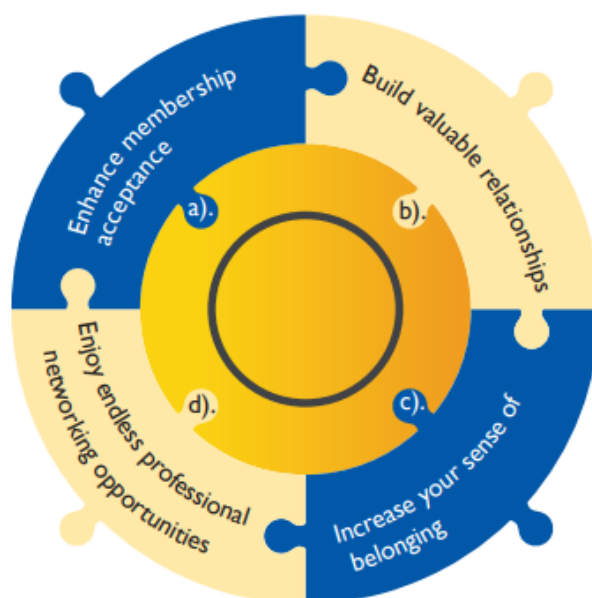


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