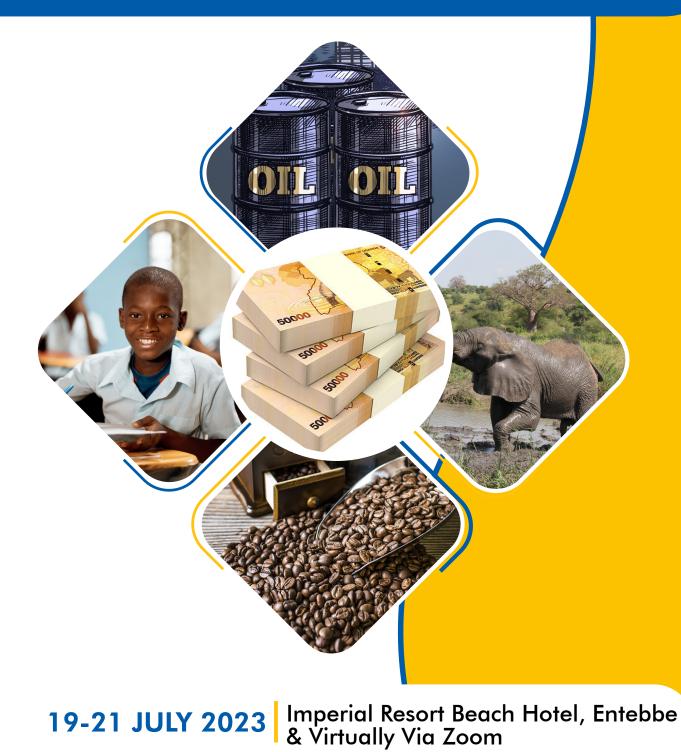


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#### THE UGANDA NATIONAL ANTHEM

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

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.

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

## Chorus

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

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

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

Viwandani na hata mashambani Tufanye kazi sote kwa makini Tujitoe kwa hali na mali Tuijenge Jumuiya bora

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## ABOUT THE INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS OF UGANDA (ICPAU)

The Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Uganda (ICPAU) is the national Professional Accountancy Organisation. ICPAU was established in 1992 by an Act of Parliament, now The Accountants Act, 2013. The Institute is governed by a Council, which is assisted by the Public Accountants Examinations Board (PAEB), the Quality Assurance Board and other committees.

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

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



Vision: To be a world-class professional accountancy Institute



**Mission:** To develop, promote and regulate the accountancy profession in Uganda and beyond, in the public interest

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of Accountants (PAFA) and the Association for Educational Assessment in Africa (AEAA).

NATIONAL PRIORITIES FOR SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

## The Council of ICPAU



## Message from the President



Public Accountants of Uganda (ICPAU).

The theme, National Priorities for Socio-Economic Development is timely.

With less than 50% of the national budget funded through domestic revenue, Uganda struggles with budget financing. Debt financing has become the norm, and our debt stock is now at approximately UGX 80 trillion. This means that we must continually increase our domestic revenue mobilisation efforts while controlling public expenditure, in order to bring our debt to sustainable levels and reduce our reliance on debt financing. To achieve this, we must tackle the issue of national priorities head-on.

The third National Development Plan (NDP III) spells out the national priorities for the achievement of Uganda's vision 2040, which is "A Transformed Ugandan Society from a Peasant to a Modern and Prosperous Country within 30 years."

At the 11<sup>th</sup> CPA Economic Forum, we are to tackle some of the priority areas, such as national security, labour exports, industrialisation, tourism, oil and gas, and education, among others.

Our aim is to derive policy recommendations that will be fed into the 2024/25 budgeting process. We hope that through the deliberations, feasible solutions can be realised, which will contribute towards fast-tracking Vision 2040. With the call to serve in the public interest at the core of accountancy profession, we must play our fair role in the country's development.

Accountants are uniquely placed to contribute to the debt management, dialogue on national development, through our knowledge and skill set in tax, financial reporting, financial management, economics, audit, and management accounting. Additionally, professional accountancy education imparts business analytics, problem-solving, and critical thinking skills.

For the eleventh year now, we are honoured to share our knowledge with the government, regarding the economy, and this year, we hope to contribute towards the significant issue of national priorities.

We are hopeful that the government will implement our recommendations, as it has done previously.

The Institute is grateful to those who make it possible for the Economic Forum to be held annually, that is, the members of the Events Management Committee, and our partners from various organisations, who share in the vision of a modern and prosperous country.

l wish you a memorable experience at the 11<sup>th</sup> CPA Economic Forum.

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**CPA Josephine Okui Ossiya** 



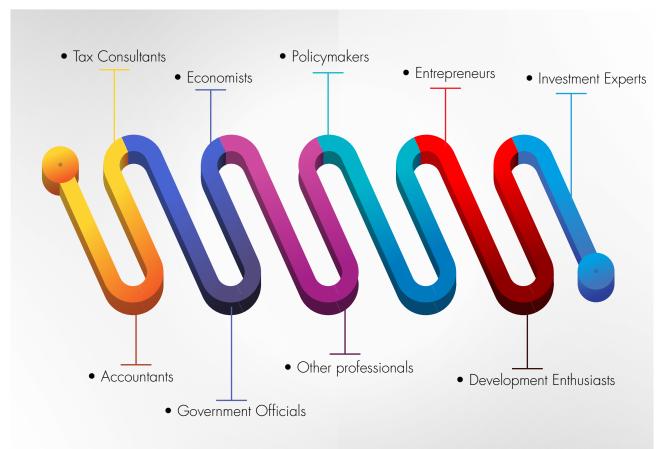
## ABOUT THE 11<sup>™</sup> CPA ECONOMIC FORUM

The Economic Forum is a three-day event organised by the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Uganda (ICPAU) to provide a platform for accountants and other professionals to discuss National Priorities for Uganda's Socio-Economic Development. From the discussions, economic policy recommendations will be developed and forwarded to the Government for consideration.

## Forum Theme: National Priorities for Socio-Economic Development

The Third National Development Plan (NDP) provides a guide in delivering the aspirations articulated in Uganda Vision 2040. Its vision is a "Transformed Ugandan Society from a Peasant to a Modern and Prosperous Country within 30 years" effective 2020/2021 fiscal year.

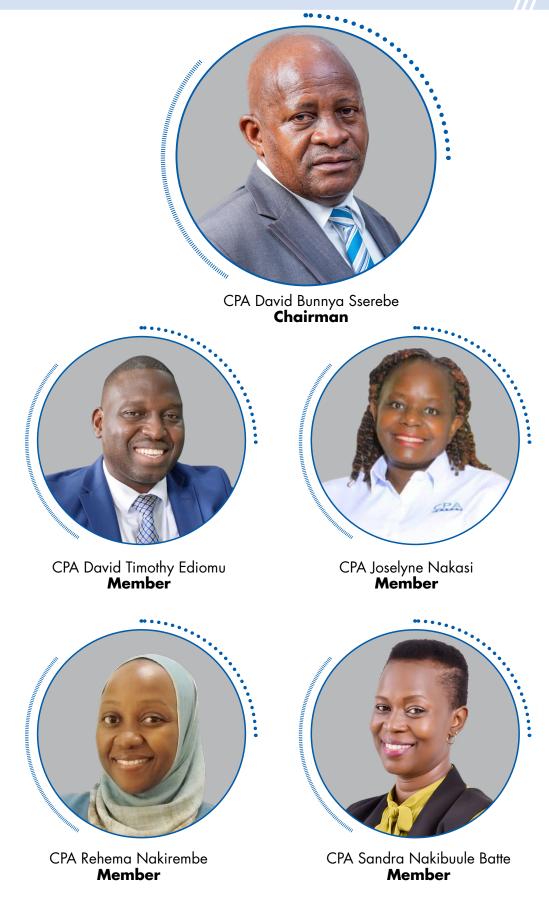
The 11<sup>th</sup> CPA Economic Forum will focus on the above theme, to contribute to the ongoing efforts to transform our country into a modern and prosperous country.



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## The Events Management Committee





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## Message from the Chairman of the Events Management Committee



n behalf of the Events Management Committee of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Uganda (ICPAU), I welcome all the participants to the 11<sup>th</sup> CPA Economic Forum.

The CPA Economic Forum has established itself as a beacon of intellectual collaboration, fostering an environment where ideas converge and solutions emerge. Over the years, this platform has brought together distinguished experts, policymakers, industry leaders, and academicians, facilitating fruitful dialogue and propelling economic progress. The 11<sup>th</sup> edition of this esteemed event promises to build upon that legacy and elevate it to new heights.

The theme for this year's forum is National Priorities for Socio-Economic Development. The theme takes inspiration from Uganda's third National Development Plan (NDP III), designed as a strategic roadmap for the realisation of Uganda's Vision 2040. This vision aims to elevate Uganda's society to greater prosperity.

Throughout the course of this forum, we have assembled an exceptional lineup of keynote speakers, panel discussions, and workshops, all aimed at providing you with valuable insights into the trends shaping our economy today. From exploring the role of security in nation-building to empowering communities through agricultural value addition. We have meticulously designed the programme to offer a diverse range of perspectives and foster cross-sectoral collaboration.

Twenty-one (21) hours of Continuing Professional Development (CPD) will be awarded for full-time attendance.

I encourage all participants to engage actively. We have also made arrangements for extracurricular engagement including entertainment from Uganda's leading artists, fitness sessions and a health camp, to ensure a rich forum experience with a blend of learning and recreation plus checking on personal wellbeing.

I extend my deepest gratitude to all our partners. We are truly grateful for your support and we look forward to continued collaboration.

Enjoy and truly benefit from the 11<sup>th</sup> CPA Economic Forum!

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#### **CPA David Sserebe**



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## Message from the Secretary/CEO



am pleased to welcome you to the 11<sup>th</sup> CPA Economic Forum. This is an ideal space that brings us together to discuss, share thoughts and generate solutions for some of the major issues that affect the development of our country.

The Institute has over the years made efforts to be a key player in promoting the country's economic development. This is evidenced by its major role of promoting professionalism in accountancy, in addition to organising platforms such as the annual CPA Economic Forum and the recently inaugurated Public Finance Management Conference, seeking to give priority to national economic matters.

According to this year's theme; National priorities for Socio-economic development, there is urgent need to strengthen Uganda's competitiveness for sustainable wealth creation, employment, growth and development.

The theme is further broken down into topics to represent the national priorities; security, cooperative societies, agriculture, education, labour, oil sector, tourism, and industrialisation, among others. These will direct the discussions during the forum, to provide guidelines for national policy formulation in the country. We hope that the recommendations that will be generated from the discussions and deliberations will enable the government to enhance value addition in key growth opportunities; to strengthen the private sector capacity to drive growth and create jobs; to consolidate and increase the stock and quality of productive infrastructure; to enhance the productivity and social wellbeing of the population; and to strengthen the role of the state in guiding and facilitating development, as stipulated by the strategies of the National Development Plan (NDP III).

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all of you who have honoured our invitation to attend the 11<sup>th</sup> CPA Economic Forum. Your participation is of great value to the Institute and the nation. I also applaud the different organisations that have partnered with us to ensure the smooth running of the forum. Thank you for the support.

I wish you fruitful deliberations.

### **CPA Derick Nkajja**

## **Guidelines for Participants**



#### 1. <u>Conference venue</u>

The Economic Forum will be a hybrid event with physical attendance at Imperial Resort Beach Hotel, Entebbe and Zoom platform for the virtual participants.

### 2. <u>Virtual Participation</u>

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 1 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. <u>Timekeeping</u>

A programme indicating timelines for the various activities will be issued. You are required to be punctual to avoid missing out on key activities. Considering that there are virtual participants, time keeping will be strictly observed.

### 4. Accommodation & Check in and out for Physical Participants

The Institute has made arrangements for accommodation (bed and breakfast) for three nights at the following 5 designated hotels:

- (a) Imperial Resort Beach Hotel.
- (b) Imperial Golf View Hotel.
- (c) Imperial Apartments
- (d) Protea Hotel- Entebbe
- (e) Admas Grand Hotel

Check in will be on Wednesday, 19 July 2023 from 7.00am at the respective hotels and check-out on Saturday, 22 July 2023 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 at Imperial Resort Beach Hotel from 7.00 - 8.30 am on Wednesday, 19 July 2023.

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. <u>Meals and Drinks</u>

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

## 6. <u>Name Tags</u>

Each physical participant will receive a name tag in order to access the conference and meal venues. Participants are encouraged to wear their name tags throughout the conference and during the evening dinners.

### 7. <u>Conference Kit</u>

Physical participants will receive their conference kits at Imperial Resort Beach Hotel, Entebbe starting Wednesday, 19 July 2023 at 7.00 am.

Online participants with conference kits, are requested to pick their kits from our offices at Plot 46 Bukoto Street on the dates to be advised after the conference.

### 8. <u>Inter- Hotel Transfer</u>

For your convenience, transport arrangements have been made from each of the designated hotels to the conference venue.

### 9. <u>Extras</u>

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: -

- i) Diabetes screening
- j) Blood pressure and blood sugar testing.
- k) Breast & cervical cancer screening
- I) Hepatitis B
- m) HIV testing & Counselling
- n) RDT Malaria
- o) RPR syphilis
- p) Family planning

#### 11. Dinners & Entertainment

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

Date	Function	Venue	Entertainment
Wednesday, 19 July 2023	Opening Dinner	IRBH	Abeeka Band
Thursday, 20 July 2023	Day 2 Dinner	IRBH	Vinka
Friday, 21 July 2023	Closing Gala Dinner	IRBH	Azawi

#### 12. Dress Code

Conference				
Day 1 (19 July 2023)	Formal			
Day 2 (20 July 2023)	Smart Casual with any ICPAU shirt/blouse issued during the previous conferences.			
Day 3 (21 July 2023)         Smart Casual				

Dinners	
Day 1 (19 July 2023)	Smart Casual
Day 2 (20 July 2023)	Smart Casual
Day 3 (21 July 2023)	African Outfits

### 13. Accompanying Persons

All participants who would like to onboard accompanying persons for dinners, bed & breakfast are required to register with Secretariat and pay Shs. 150,000/= in advance.

## 14. Leisure Activities

A number of leisure activities have been lined up for Thursday, 20 July 2023 from 3.30pm-6.00pm and all participants are expected to participate. Please carry your sportswear for the following activities: -

SN	Activity	Contact name	Contact Tel
1	Aerobics	Prosper K. Sendagire	0774-096449
2	Swimming	Angel Rodney Ekachellan	0781-341231
3	Visit to UWEC	Paul Nabugyere Lungande	0703-875573
4	Jogging/walking	John Bosco Ntangaare	0772-740125

## 15. <u>Security</u>

Safety and security at the Conference has 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 put a CPA Uganda sticker on them.

## 16. <u>General Administration</u>

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

	Name	Telephone	Form of Assistance
1	Simon Oola	0772-740126	General Information/ Accommodation
2	Robert Dhuule	0785-629635	Accommodation
3	Julian Namale Muweesi	0705-250035	General Information
4	Paul N. Lungande	0772-648246	General Inter-Hotel Transport
5	Angel Rodney Ekachellan	0781 - 341231	Sponsorships
6	Christine Kikome	0774-500908	Accompanying Persons
7	Julie Adrale	0782-160202	Security

## Forum Partners



## ProgrammeDAY ONE:WEDNESDAY, 19 JULY 2023

## MC: CPA David Sserebe, Chairman, Events Management Committeeman

TIME	S/N	TOPICS / ITEMS	OVERVIEW	SPEAKERS/ PRESENTERS	CHAIRPERSONS
7.00 - 9.00 am	1.	Check In/Registration/ Morning Tea			
9.00 – 9.30 am	2.	a) Prayer b) Anthems of Uganda & EAC		<b>CPA Joy Kansiime,</b> NSSF	<b>CPA Ronald</b> <b>Mutumba,</b> Vice President,
		c) Welcome Remarks		<b>CPA Derick</b> <b>Nkajja,</b> Secretary/CEO	ICPAU
		d) President's Address		<b>CPA Josephine</b> <b>Ossiya,</b> President, ICPAU	-
9.30 – 10.30 am	3.	<b>Opening &amp; Keynote</b> <b>Address:</b> National Priorities for Socio- Economic Development	<ul> <li>The Vision 2040 spells out national priorities for Uganda to achieve a competitive upper middle income status country.</li> </ul>	Hon. Denis Hamson Obua, Government Chief Whip & Member of Parliament, Ajuri County	
10.30 - 11.10 am	4.	Health Break, Photo Se	ession & Media Interactive Sess	sion	
11.10 – 12.50 pm	5.	Role of National Security in Nation Building	<ul> <li>Any security threat compromises a country's authority and jeopardises its stability.</li> <li>Security is critical in ensuring peace among the citizens</li> <li>The financial stability of a nation is largely dependent on the effectiveness of national security.</li> <li>Security and development are mutual preconditions of any economy.</li> </ul>	<b>Brig. Gen. Felix</b> <b>Kulayigye,</b> Defence Spokesperson, Uganda Peoples Defence Forces	<b>CPA Robert</b> <b>Katuntu,</b> Partner, J. Samuel Richards & Associates
12.50 – 1.00 pm	6. -	Partner's message			
1.00 – 2.00 pm	7.	Lunch Break	· · · · · · ·	-	
2.00 – 4.00 pm	8.	Uganda's Oil and Gas Sector: Value Chain for Public Value	<ul> <li>The oil and gas value chain refers the sequence of extractive activities that culminate into final products on the market.</li> <li>The public expects improved social services and ultimately a trickle down to personal incomes.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Dr. Joseph Kobusheshe, Director, Environment, Health &amp; Safety, Petroleum Authority of Uganda</li> <li>Mr. Onesmus Mugyenyi, Associate Director, ACODE</li> </ol>	CPA Godfrey Ssemugooma, Ministry of Finance, Planning & Economic Development
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4.00 – 4.30 pm	9.	Day One Rapporteurs I	Report/Evening Tea		
4.00 – 4.30 pm 4.30 – 6.30 pm	9. 10.	Day One Rapporteurs I Health Exercises	Report/Evening Tea		

## **SPEAKERS**

## **KEYNOTE ADDRESS SPEAKER**

Hon. Denis Hamson Obua is the Government Chief Whip and also the Chairperson of the NRM Parliamentary Caucus. He is a Member of the Central Executive Committee (CEC) of the NRM Party. His role is to whip the Executive and the Government in Parliament. Prior to the current portfolio, he was the Minister of State for Sports. In addition, he represents the people of Ajuri County, Alebtong District in the 11th Parliament (2021–2026) as the Member of Parliament, a position he has held since 2011. He joined Parliament in 2006 as a Youth MP for Northern Uganda, currently making him one of the longest serving MPs. Hon. Obua was a Commissioner of Parliament in the 8th Parliament. He made history as the youngest Commissioner at 26 years. Hon. Obua Denis Hamson was a chairperson the Committee of Science and Technology in the 9th Parliament. In 2010, he was named the best serving MP in the plenary with a 100% score in a survey by the African Leadership Institute.



#### PRESIDENT'S OFFICIAL ADDRESS

**CPA Josephine Okui Okwakol Ossiya** is the President of ICPAU. She is a Partner at Rona & Partners since 2002, and the Chief Finance Officer at Bujagali Energy Ltd, since November 2014. CPA Ossiya is also a board member of Bank of Uganda. She has over 20 years of experience in finance, audit, treasury management, risk management, general management and board governance, serving as: Chief Finance Officer at ATC Ghana, Finance Director with Eskom Uganda, Financial Controller at Standard Chartered Bank, Corporate Treasurer/Financial Controller at Shell Uganda Ltd, Area Auditor – Eastern Africa at British American Tobacco Uganda, Internal Auditor with National Security Fund, and Internal Auditor at National Water & Sewerage Corporation. CPA Ossiya holds a Master's in Business Administration majoring in Internal Business, of the University of Liverpool.



#### CEO'S WELCOME REMARKS

**CPA Derick Nkajja** is the Chief Executive Officer and Secretary to the Council of ICPAU. He serves on the Finance Committee of the Institute of Corporate Governance of Uganda. He is the Board Treasurer of Uganda Cooperative Savings & Credit Union Ltd, and also serves on the Trade Committee of the Private Sector Foundation of Uganda. CPA Nkajja previously represented the African Continent on the International Federation of Accountants Compliance Advisory Panel. He also served on the founding Board of the Pan Africa Federation of Accountants, representing the Eastern Africa region. He holds a Master of Business Administration of Edinburgh Business School, Heriot-Watt University, United Kingdom.





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#### **ROLE OF NATIONAL SECURITY IN NATION BUILDING**

**Brigadier General Felix Kulayigye** is the Defence Spokesperson. He has had several military appointments including Chief Political Commissar, Defence/UPDF Spokesman, Commanding Officer, 101 Infantry Battalion, Commanding Officer, 95 Infantry Battalion, Director of Information, and Company Political Commissar, Special Coy Presidential Protection Unit, among others. Brigadier General Kulayigye holds a Master of Arts Degree in Economic Policy and Planning, of Makerere University.



## UGANDA'S OIL AND GAS SECTOR: VALUE CHAIN FOR PUBLIC VALUE

**Dr Joseph Kobusheshe** is the Director - Environment, Health, and Safety (EHS) at the Petroleum Authority of Uganda. Dr Kobusheshe is a Civil and Environmental Engineer with over eighteen years of experience in environment, health and safety aspects of Uganda's mining and oil and gas sectors. He has vast experience in the development and regulation of EHS Policy, Legislation, Standards, Programs and Plans in the extractives industry. Previously, he worked with Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development in various roles relating to environment, health and safety in the mining and petroleum sub-sectors. Dr. Kobusheshe has a PhD in Environmental Engineering and a Master of Science in Environmental and Resource Engineering, both from University of Nottingham, UK.



**Mr Onesmus Mugyenyi** is the Deputy Executive Director, and a Public Policy Analyst and Research Fellow at the Advocates Coalition for Development and Environment (ACODE). He is a co-editor of a book, *Natural Resources Governance and Sustainable Livelihoods in Uganda*. He is a member of Uganda Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative Multi-Stakeholder Group (UGEITI-MSG) which overseas implementation of EITI in Uganda. Mr Mugyenyi holds a Master of Laws from Makerere University, a Post Graduate Diploma in legal practice and Certificate in Governance Petroleum and Mining Revenues from Ghana Institute for Management and Public Administration.

## NOTES


## DAY TWO: THURSDAY, 20 JULY 2023

## MC: CPA Rehema Nakirembe, Member, Events Management Committee

TIME	S/N	TOPICS / ITEMS	OVERVIEW	SPEAKERS/ PRESENTERS	CHAIRPERSONS
8.30 – 10.30 am	12.	<b>Education Sector:</b> Reforms in the National Curriculum	<ul> <li>Curriculum reforms to make learning competency-based is a prerequisite for producing a human resource that will spur national development.</li> <li>Creative and performing arts are essential in producing innovative and confident citizens.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Mr. Christopher Muganga, Curriculum Specialist, National Curriculum Development Centre</li> <li>Mr. Ndebesa Mwambutsya, History and Development Studies Lecturer</li> </ol>	<b>CPA Pauline</b> <b>Nyapendi,</b> Bank of Uganda
10.30 - 10.40 am	Partn	er's message		1	
10.40 - 11.10 am	13.	Health Break			
11.10 – 1.00 pm	14.	Labour Exports: Socio- Economic Benefits and Challenges	<ul> <li>Labour Externalisation sector contribute to Uganda's foreign earnings through annual remittances by Ugandan workers abroad.</li> <li>Enhancement of value from this sector is key to social economic development.</li> <li>There is a need for a conscious effort to re-engineer our education system to export skilled manpower for better returns.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Mr. Aggrey David Kibenge, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Labour, Gender &amp; Social Development</li> <li>Ms. Sheila Kawamara- Mishambi, Executive Director of the Eastern African Sub- Regional Support Initiative for the Advancement of Women (EASSI)</li> </ol>	<b>CPA Diana</b> <b>Kisaka,</b> Uganda Revenue Authority
1.00 - 2.10 pm	15.	Lunch Break			
2.10 - 3.30 pm	16.	Industrialisation as a Driver for Self-Reliance	<ul> <li>Industrialization as a driver of the Sustainable Development Goals. Unique strategies are needed to create jobs and expand the export base through value addition</li> </ul>	<b>Dr. Ezra</b> <b>Muhumuza,</b> Executive Director, Uganda Manufacturers Association	<b>CPA Moses</b> <b>Kasakya</b> Director Internal Audit, Uganda National Roads Authority
3.30 – 6.00 pm	17.	Leisure Activities			
7.00 – 9.30 pm	18.	Dinner			

## **SPEAKERS**





University. **Mr Mwambutsya Ndebesa** is a professional teacher. Previously, he was a History and Development Studies Lecturer at Makerere University. He is a sociopolitical critique, Board Chairman of SEATINI (U), Vice Chairman of Vision East Africa (Think Tank), Engagement Secretary SOJUNU, a media analyst, and Chairman of Banyankore Cultural Foundation – BCF. He is an educationist of long experience, who has taught in secondary schools and at university level. He has been an external examiner and he is keen on educational policy development in Uganda.

EDUCATION SECTOR: REFORMS IN THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM

**Mr Christopher Muganga** is the Curriculum Specialist for Art and Design Teaching Program at the National Curriculum Development Centre (NCDC). He has held other roles at the NCDC, including Head of Department (Secondary), Acting Deputy Director II, and National Curriculum Reform Team Facilitator. He is a graduate secondary school teacher and a Visual Artist by profession, with 21 years of teaching experience. Mr Muganga holds a Masters in Fine Art, of Makerere

**LABOUR EXPORTS: SOCIO-ECONOMIC BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES Dr Aggrey David Kibenge** is the Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development. Dr Kibenge's career began in the field of education, where he served at the Ministry of Education from 1993 to 2012 and again from 2016 to 2019. He also gained valuable experience as an Under Secretary at the Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife, and Antiquities from February to November 2012, followed by a role at the Office of the Prime Minister from November 2012 to November 2016. Dr Kibenge was awarded an honorary Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree in Labour Economics and Human Capital Management by the British American University in Florida, USA, on June 24, 2023. He holds a Master's degree in Public Administration and Management.



**Hon. Sheila Kawamara-Mishambi** is the Executive Director of the Eastern African Sub-Regional Support Initiative for the Advancement of Women (EASSI). She is a gender and development specialist and a feminist activist with up to 30 years of expertise in leadership, gender and human rights and peace and conflict resolution. Sheila is also a Director and proprietor of Tembuzi Coffee Ltd. Hon. Kawamara-Mishambi served as a member of the East African Legislative Assembly (EALA) from 2001 to 2006. She was also the Executive Director of Uganda Women's Network (UWONET) from 1996 to 2001. She holds a Master of Arts in Development Studies, Politics of Alternative Development Strategies from the Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, The Netherlands.



#### **INDUSTRIALISATION AS A DRIVER FOR SELF-RELIANCE**

**Dr Ezra Muhumuza** is the Executive Director of the Uganda Manufacturers Association. He is a renowned economist who has served in various capacities under the Office of the Prime Minister and the Ministry of Finance. He has also previously served at the Uganda National Chamber of Commerce. Dr Muhumuza holds a PhD in Energy Economics as well as a Master of Economic Policy, Development and Science in Development Economics.

## NOTES


## DAY THREE: FRIDAY, 21 JULY 2023

## MC: CPA Joselyne Nakasi, Member, Events Management Committee

TIME	S/N	TOPICS / ITEMS	OVERVIEW	SPEAKERS/ PRESENTERS	CHAIRPERSONS
8.30 – 10.30 am	19.	Empowering Communities Through Agricultural Value Addition	<ul> <li>Many of the people especially in Uganda depend on agriculture for substance purposes.</li> <li>Value addition in agriculture requires investors to work with producers to obtain raw products.</li> <li>Modernisation of agriculture will empower communities to improve their livelihoods through by increased productivity.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Ms Noela Ojara, Managing Director, Divine Organic Foods</li> <li>Mr Joseph Nkandu, Managing Director, National Union of Coffee Agribusinesses and Farm Enterprises (NUCAFE)</li> </ol>	<b>CPA Aidati</b> <b>Nandudu,</b> Principal Accountant, Office of the Prime Minister
10.00 - 11.00 am	20.	Health Break			
11.00 – 12.50 pm	21.	Hospitality, Tourism Management and Marketing	<ul> <li>Uganda Vision 2040 identifies tourism as a fundamental opportunity that should be harnessed as a matter of priority to facilitate socio- economic transformation of Uganda into a prosperous upper middle-income country.</li> <li>The players must put in place initiatives and practices that will enhance Uganda's competitiveness and attractiveness</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Mrs Rosemary Kobutagi Commissioner, Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities</li> <li>Mr Eddy Kirya, Managing Director, Eyalama Adventures &amp; Board Member, Uganda Tourism Board</li> </ol>	<b>CPA Nancy</b> <b>Amuge Owino,</b> Manager-Finance, Uganda Civil Aviation Authority
12.50 – 1.00pm	-	tner's message			
1.00 - 2.00 pm	22.	Lunch Break			
2.00 – 4.00 pm	23.	Cooperative Societies as a Driver for Socio-Economic Transformation	<ul> <li>Cooperatives promote participation of people and accelerate a robust inclusive growth.</li> <li>The session will analyse on better ways cooperative societies contribute to economic development.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Hon. Jalia         <ul> <li>Lukumu</li> <li>Abwooli Bintu,</li> <li>Chairperson,</li> <li>Uganda</li> <li>Cooperative</li> <li>Savings and Credit</li> <li>Union Limited</li> <li>(UCSCU)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Gilbert Wachal,</li> <li>General</li> <li>Manager,</li> <li>Okoro Coffee</li> <li>Growers'</li> <li>Cooperative Union</li> <li>Limited</li> </ol>	<b>CPA Alex</b> <b>Anganya</b> , Deputy Registrar General Finance and Administration, Uganda Registration Services Bureau
4.00 - 4.30 pm	24.	Rapporteur/ Closing Remarks		ICPAU	
4.30 - 5.00 pm	25.	Evening Tea			
4.30 – 5.00 pm 5.00 – 6.30 pm	25. 26.	Evening Tea Health Exercises			















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#### EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES THROUGH AGRICULTURAL VALUE ADDITION

**Ms Noela V. Ojara** is the Founder of Divine Gold Fabrics and Designs, God's love home school and Divine Organic Foods. She is a Ugandan Christian Female root and tuber Agripreneur, social activist, nutrition-based researcher, and innovator. She is committed to providing healthy, organic nutritious foods under the "Amaro Foods" brand. Her product lines include certified gluten-free orange fresh sweet potato flour and high-quality cassava flour which are wheat substitutes, instant nutrient dense porridge, foods and snacks. Ms Ojara is an award winner of: the inaugural 2023 Africa eco-system enabler under African Food Changers, the inaugural Value4Her Africa AGRA grant 2022, and the 64th UNACTED EMPRETEC in Uganda, 2021. She holds a Mmaster's degree of science in Agribusiness management and Entrepreneurship.

**Mr Joseph Nkandu** is the Executive Director of NUCAFE. He invented the Farmer Ownership Model which has led the mobilisation of 1.5 million coffee farmers in over 200 rural community-based coffee farmers' enterprises as association and cooperative enterprises that are business and social impact oriented. He led the advocacy towards the formulation of the first Uganda's comprehensive National Coffee Policy 2013 that later led to the enactment of the National Coffee Act, 2021. Mr Nkandu has pioneered establishment of the first Uganda's Carbon Neutral Coffee factory that is powered by an industrial solar power plant that avoids 241.3 metric tons of carbon emissions annually. He holds an MBA in social entrepreneurship.

#### HOSPITALITY, TOURISM MANAGEMENT AND MARKETING

**Mrs Rosemary Kobutagi** is the Commissioner for Tourism Development in the Ministry of Tourism Wildlife & Antiquities. She is in charge of Tourism Policy Development and Implementation, Regulatory Control, Capacity Building, Destination Management, Planning and Product Development in the Tourism Sector. Her professional credentials cover the management of hotels for over 15 years. She was instrumental in the formulation of the Tourism Act of 2008. Mrs Kobutagi chaired the Infrastructure Development Committee for Namugongo and Munyonyo Martyrs Shrines. She has sat on a number of Boards, Tourism Technical committees and expert panels. She holds a Master's Degree in Business Management from Eastern and Southern African Management Institute (ESAMI).

**Mr Eddy Kirya** is the Managing Director, Eyalama Adventures Ltd. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Uganda Tourism Board (serving as Chairperson Marketing Committee of the Board, and a member of the Human Resource and Audit Committee of the Board). He started the first-ever Tour and Travel franchise model in Uganda with its first dealership in Gulu (www.gulutours.com). Between 2006 – 2009, he was Independent Reservations Agent/ Director at Capital Sales Agency Ltd. He also worked with Nando's Fast Food Restaurants Kampala as the F&B supervisor. Mr Kirya holds a Master of Science (Tourism & Hospitality Management), of Makerere University.

## COOPERATIVE SOCIETIES AS A DRIVER FOR SOCIO-ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION

**Hon. Jalia Lukumu Abwooli Bintu** is the Chairperson of the Uganda Cooperative Savings and Credit Union Limited. She is also the Chairperson of the Uganda Parliamentary Cooperative Savings and Credit Society. She is a seasoned politician who has served in the Parliament of Uganda from 2001 to 2021. She was chairperson of the Equal Opportunities Commission of Parliament, a Commissioner in the Parliament of Uganda, and the Vice Chairperson of the Commonwealth Women Parliamentary Association Africa region. Hon. Bintu is renowned for campaigning for the ten-year tax waiver for SACCOs. She holds a Master of Arts Degree in Peace and Conflict Resolution, of Makerere University.

**Mr Gilbert Wachal** is the General Manager of Okoro Coffee Growers Cooperative Union Ltd, a farmer-based cooperative Union promoting farmers' social-economic transformation and development in the West Nile subregion. He has vast experience in cooperative leadership and Governance, Cooperative identity and Resilience; Sustainable Rural Transformation and Development. Mr Wachal holds Bachelor's degrees in education (Economics) and Philosophy.

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## MOMENTS FROM THE 10<sup>TH</sup> CPA ECONOMIC FORUM 20-22 JULY 2022 Imperial Resort Beach Hotel, Entebbe



CPA Constant Mayende presents a certificate to the keynote speaker, Dr. Joseph Muvawala, ED of the National Planning Authority

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ICPAU President CPA Constant Othieno Mayende(left) and Dr. Joseph Muvawala

> Some members of the Events Management Committee



Dr. Fred Muhumuza was among the speakers at the 10<sup>th</sup> CPA Economic Forum





Some Council members with ICPAU Presidents 7<sup>th</sup> president CPA Protazio Begumisa (seated 2<sup>nd</sup> left), 9<sup>th</sup> president CPA Constant Othieno Mayende (seated centre), 8<sup>th</sup> president CPA Frederick Kibbedi (seated 2<sup>nd</sup> right), ICPAU CEO CPA Derick Nkajja (standing centre), and CPA John Bikalemesa Muhaise (seated extreme right)

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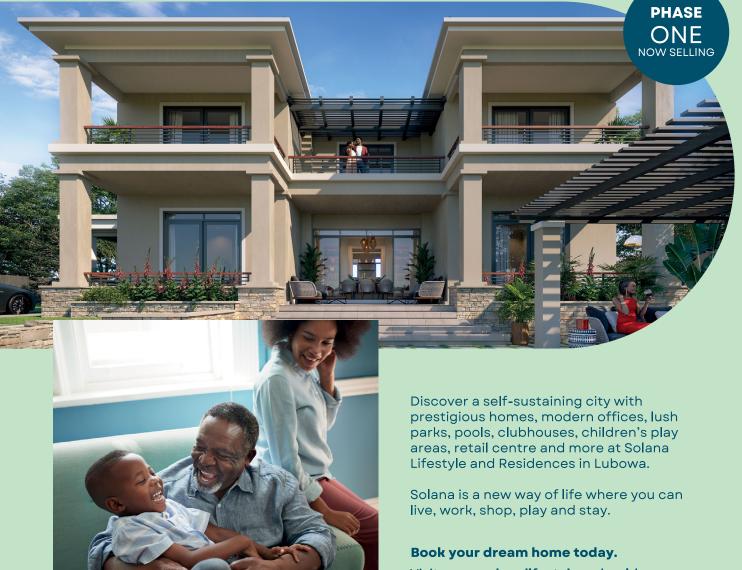
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