## THE 30TH ICPAU ANNUAL SEMINAR EDITION

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The 30<sup>th</sup> ICPAU Annual Seminar, organised by the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Uganda (ICPAU), was held from 3 - 5 September 2025 at the Imperial Resort Beach Hotel, Entebbe, and online.

The event doubled as a commemoration of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the most popular event on the accountants' calendar.

Organised under the theme Positioning Professionals for Sustainable Impact, the seminar had 1841 participants in attendance. The Speaker of Parliament, Rt. Hon. Anita Annet Among was the chief guest. She was represented by Hon. CPA Faith Nakut, Woman member of Parliament representing Napak district. Dr Peter Kimbowa – King IV Specialist & Futurist, was the keynote speaker. Here are updates from the Seminar.

### **NEWS STORIES**

## ICPAU Launches Roadmap for Implementing Sustainability Reporting Standards

The Institute took a bold step for Uganda's sustainability reporting journey with the launch of the roadmap for implementing the IFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards. The milestone positions Uganda among the early adopters of the global sustainability reporting framework. Read more......



#### **Speaker Among Tips Accountants on Legacy**

The Speaker of Parliament, Rt. Hon. Anita Annet Among urged accountants to create impactful legacies through embracing relevance in a rapidly changing world. She challenged accountants to be creators of solutions and agents of change, through continuous learning and adaptability. Read more.......



### **ESG Compliance Drives Profitability**

Experts urged organisations to embrace Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) compliance to drive profitability. Sustainability practices are like a shift from paper to electronic publications, which can significantly reduce printing costs, thereby preserving the environment, while positively impacting the bottom line. Read more........





### Personal Insurance is a Key to Stronger Social Cohesion

Industry gurus emphasised the critical role of personal insurance in building resilient families, reducing poverty shocks, and fostering social stability. Participants were reminded of the fundamental principle of insurance and risk-sharing, noting that insurance is not just a financial product but a social safety net that spreads risks across communities. Read more......

## Accountants Tipped on High Performance Culture at 30th Annual Seminar

Managers were urged to place emphasis on execution to achieve high performance. The reality is that while many managers excel at developing strategies, they often falter when it comes to executing them. True leadership goes beyond visionary ideas. It requires focus, discipline, and systems that translate strategy into measurable results. Read more......





## Fatherhood: Specialists Call for Involved Parenting to Strengthen Families

Parenting is no longer a private affair but a global issue with farreaching implications on societies, economies, and the well-being of future generations. Professionals and parents were challenged to rethink traditional parenting roles and embrace intentional, consistent engagement in the lives of their children. Read more.........

### Experts Warn of Rising Diabetes Burden, Urge Lifestyle Adjustments

The burden of diabetes in Uganda and across the globe is on a dangerous upward trajectory, with experts warning that prevalence could double in the next decade if no deliberate interventions are taken. Diabetes is not a single disease but a spectrum of disorders rooted in pancreatic dysfunction and insulin resistance. Read more......





## Accountants Urged to Lead in Growing Digital Trust at ICPAU Seminar

Accountants must take the lead in safeguarding digital trust as Uganda's business environment increasingly shifts into the digital space. They are custodians of some of the most sensitive data, including financial records, payroll systems, tax information, and personal client details. Read more..........

#### Accountants to Embrace Entrepreneurship at ICPAU Seminar

Entrepreneurship took centre stage at the seminar as professionals were urged to explore business opportunities as a path to resilience, financial independence, and sustainable impact. Participants were advised to choose ventures that align with their interests and values, while paying attention to practical aspects such as funding sources, pricing strategies, product range, technology adoption, and effective human resource management. Read more.......





## Accountants Urged to Align Skills with Talent to Tackle Future of Work

The seminar turned the spotlight on the future of work as presenters emphasised that while education imparts knowledge and training develops competence, it is nurturing that produces resilient, grounded human beings. Read more.......

## THE 30TH ICPAU ANNUAL SEMINAR IN THE NEWS

#### ICPAU hosts 30th Annual Accountants Seminar in Entebbe

https://youtu.be/dK7ExVBq-IY?si=JNmbELA9vU6L7WIQ



### IRA's Kaddunabbi urges accountants to make insurance the pillar of Uganda's social cohesion

https://www.independent.co.ug/iras-kaddunabbi-urges-accountants-to-make-insurance-the-pillar-of-ugandas-social-cohesion/



### **ICPAU Launches Roadmap for IFRS Disclosure Standards**

https://softpower.ug/icpau-launches-roadmap-for-ifrs-sustainability-disclosure-standards/



### ICPAU Urges Accountants to Lead Ethical and Sustainable Growth in Uganda

https://www.nilepost.co.ug/uganda/285218/icpau-urges-accountants-to-lead-ethical-and-sustainable-growth-in-uganda



## ICPAU Launches Sustainability Reporting Standards at 30th Annual Seminar

https://chimpreports.com/icpau-launches-sustainability-reporting-standards-at-30th-annual-seminar/



The Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Uganda (ICPAU) launched the adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) Sustainability Disclosure Standards during its 30th Annual Seminar at Imperial Resort Beach Hotel in Entebbe, positioning the accounting profession among early adopters of global sustainability compliance frameworks.

### Future of Accounting Under the Spotlight as ICPAU Marks 30 Years of Professional Development

https://www.radiosapientia.com/2025/09/03/future-of-accounting-under-the-spotlight-as-icpaumarks-30-years-of-professional-development/



## **30<sup>TH</sup> ICPAU ANNUAL SEMINAR IN PICTURES**





(L-R sitting) CPA David Timothy Ediomu – ICPAU President, CPA George Egaddu – 1st ICPAU President, Dr Peter Kmbowa – Annual Seminar Keynote speaker, Hon. CPA Faith Nakut, CPA Alfred Kabuchu – ICPAU Vice President. (L-R standing) CPA Protazio Begumisa – 7th ICPAU President, CPA Constant Mayende – 9th ICPAU President, CPA Keto Kayemba – PAFA President, CPA David Geoffrey Opiokello – 2nd ICPAU President, CPA Ben Patrick Kagoro – Past President and CPA Derick Nkajja – Secretary/CEO ICPAU.



Participants during the opening session of the 30th ICPAU Annual Seminar.



CPA David Timothy Ediomu – ICPAU President hands a token of appreciation to Hon. CPA Faith Nakut.



CPA George Willian Egaddu – 1st President, ICPAU shares a brief history of the ICPAU Annual Seminar as one of the participants of the 1st ICPAU Annual Seminar.



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CPA David Timothy
Ediomu – ICPAU
President with Hon.
CPA Faith Nakut
launch the roadmap
for implementing the
IFRS Sustainability
Disclosure Standards
at the 30th ICPAU
Annual Seminar.



Practitioners and members of the Integrated Reporting Committee at the launch of the IFRS Sustainability Disclosures

Roadmap at the 30th ICPAU Annual Seminar.



(L-R sitting) CPA David Timothy Ediomu – ICPAU President, CPA George Egaddu – 1st ICPAU President, Dr Peter Kmbowa, Hon. Faith Nakut, CPA Alfred Kabuchu with members of ICPAU and delegates from ICPAR, ICPAK, PAFA, and OPC Burundi.



(L-R sitting) CPA Christine Mugume – ICPAU Council member, Mr David Kabiswa – Chairman Institute of National Transformation, CPA Nancy Amuge Owino – ICPAU Council member, CPA Annet Nantumbwe – ICPAU Council member with (L-R standing) CPA Keto Kayemba – PAFA past president and Hon. CPA Faith Nakut.



CPA David Timothy Ediomu hands a token of appreciation to one of the 30<sup>th</sup> ICPAU Annual Seminar presenters, Alhaj Dr Kaddunabbi Ibrahim Lubega – CEO Insurance Regulatory Authority.



Mr Jean Leonard Bigirimana – CEO, OPC Burundi delivers a message to participants inviting them for the East African Congress of Accountants that will take place in Burundi, in April 2026.



30th ICPAU Annual Seminar participants during a photo moment at the conference.



CPA Plaxeda Namirimu – Session Chairperson (2<sup>nd</sup> left), Mr Peter Kahiigi – Chief Technology Officer, Centenary Technology Services (3<sup>rd</sup> left) with staff from Uganda Registration Services Bureau.



Participants take part in the blood donation activity at the 30th ICPAU Annual Seminar.



CPA Timothy David Ediomu -President, ICPAU Council giving his address at the opening ceremony of the Annual Seminar



Participants enjoy bird watching at the Uganda Wildlife Education Centre.



CPA Alfred Kabuchu - Vice President, ICPAU Council addressing participants at the 30<sup>th</sup> ICPAU Annual Seminar



CPA Samuel Mankaati receives a token of appreciation from CPA Timothy David Ediomu – ICPAU President on behalf of Deposit Protection Fund, partners of the 30th ICPAU Annual Seminar.



CPA Derick Nkajja - Secretary, ICPAU, giving opening remarks at the opening ceremony of the 30<sup>th</sup> ICPAU Annual Seminar.



A representative from KPMG, partners of the  $30^{\text{th}}$  ICPAU Annual Seminar receives a token of appreciation from CPA Alfred Kabuchu – ICPAU Vice President.



Mr Paul Mwesigwa - Managing Director, Uganda Electricity Distribution Company Limited delivering a partner's message at the 30th ICPAU Annual Seminar.



A representative from Bank of Uganda delivering a partner's message at the  $30^{\text{th}}$  ICPAU Annual Seminar.



Participants working out during an aerobics session at the 30th ICPAU Annual Seminar.



30th ICPAU Annual Seminar participants enjoying the reggae evening at the dinner.



Participants donned in sports attire at the dinner of the second day of the 30th ICPAU Annual Seminar.



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Participants boarding a boat to enjoy a boat sailing leisure activity at Nakiwogo landing site.



30th ICPAU Annual Seminar participants pulling off the old school attire on Day 3 dinner.



Artist Vinka entertaining participants during the dinner at the Seminar.



Lydia Jazmine giving a performance on the  $2^{nd}$  dinner of the  $30^{th}$  ICPAU Annual Seminar.



Ghetto kids pulling off an excellent performance at the Dinner on Day 1 of the Seminar.

#### **TESTIMONIES FROM PARTICIPANTS**

The 30<sup>th</sup> ICPAU seminar was a highly impactful event. Dr. Peter Kimbowa (PK) delivered a major highlight, challenging us [accountants] to move from "comfort to growth" and become "impact architects" who drive sustainable change.

CPA Elizabeth Atuhaire
Principal Accountant,
National Agricultural Research Organisation

My highlight of the Seminar was the careful selection of topics, ranging from personal finance, health and professional growth, preparing us to be future-ready accountants. It was also a networking opportunity for accountants from various regions of the country.

CPA Joseph Gonzaga Kalinda Managing Partner, Kalinda & Associates

As a participant of the 30<sup>th</sup> ICPAU Annual Seminar, I was honoured to be part of the launch of the implementation roadmap for IFRS S1 and S2. This milestone marks a significant step forward in standardising financial reporting. As a value maker, I was proud to contribute to this initiative. The seminar also provided valuable insights and networking opportunities.

CPA Allan Ssenkungu Head of Audit and Risk Management Joint Clinical Research Center





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