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THE EDGE CONVENTION CENTRE, NAIROBI, KENYA 8th – 9th August 2024



THE CLEAN ENERGY CONFERENCE Nairobi, Kenya.



DAY 1 / 8th AUGUST 2024

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TIME	EVENT – PRESENTATION	SPEAKERS	
8:00 – 8:45 a.m.	Registration and Welcome Refreshments. National Anthem & Conference opening by MC Jacqueline Kimani		
8:45 – 9:00 a.m.	Opening Remarks	Stephen Kuria – Chief Executive Officer, AAEMI	
9:00 – 10:00 a.m.	Keynote Session: Panel Discussion Moderator Jacqueline Rono – Energy Expert	Eng. Isaac Kiva - Secretary Renewable Energy, Ministry of Energy Kenya	
	Government and Geopolitics of Clean Energy in Africa : The role of Kenya Green projects and industrialization Initiative; promote, adapt and catalyze economic green growth on the continent (AGI).	Dr. Silas M. Simiyu – Energy Expert. HE Ms Jenny Da Rin - Australia High Commissioner in East Africa Community- Rwanda, Somali, Tanzania, Burundi and Uganda – UNEP, UN habit and ICGLR	
		Dr. Eng. John Mativo – Managing Director, Kenya Electricity Transmission Company Ltd (KETRACO).	
		Mr. Anthony Mwangi –Chief Executive Officer, Kenya Association of Manufactures (KAM)	
10:00 – 10:30 a.m.	Health Break.		
10:30 -11:30 a.m.	Presentation & Panel Discussion;		
	Moderated by Dr. Dinah Changwony Mwinzi - Board Chairperson, Former PS and Chairperson Mama Ngina University	Joy Brenda Mdivo - Chairperson, KPLC	
	Is it achievable to have triple renewables or	Mr. Joe Sang – The Managing Director, Kenya Pipeline Company	
	double the rate of energy efficiency improvements by 2030 in the following; Hydrogen, Nuclear Power and Liquefied Petroleum Gas?	Dr. Calvin Onyango – Director General, Kenya Industrial Research and Development Institute (KIRDI)	
		Dr. Eng. Joseph Oketch - The Head of Electricity and Renewable Energy Directorate, EPRA	
		Martin Ireri-Executive Director, LITES Kenya	

8th AUGUST 2024

DAY 1



TIME	EVENT - PRESENTATION	SPEAKERS
11:30 -12:30 p.m.	Presentation & Panel Discussion;	
	Moderated by Mr. Charles Wanguhu - Board Member, Natural Resource Governance Institute.	Mr. James Ngomeli - Chief Energizing Officer, Brands & Beyond Ltd.
	What is the role of "transitional fuels" in facilitating the transition to lower-carbon technologies while ensuring energy security?	Franklin Juma – Chairperson, Kenya Oil & Gas Association
		John Njogu - Chief Executive Officer &National Coordinator, Petroleum Outlets Association of Kenya [POAK]
		Beatrice Nyabira – Projects, Energy and Restructuring. DLA Piper Africa, IKM Advocates Partner
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12:30 -13:20 p.m.	Lunch Break.	
	Panel Discussion; Moderated by Elizabeth Rogo - Chief Executive Officer, Tsavo Oilfield Services	Mr. Anthony Mwangi –Chief Executive Officer, Kenya Association of Manufactures (KAM)
13:30 -14:30 p.m.	LTD The role of Kenya Green projects and industrialization Initiative; (promote, adapt and catalyze economic green growth on the continent).	Tim Smyth - The Founder and Chief Executive Officer, One Degree South
		Andrew Amadi – Chief Executive Officer, Ubuntu Solar
		Jane Kabaki - The Chief Executive Officer, SheVentures
14:30 - 15:30 p.m.	Panel Discussion;	Emily Mburu Ndoria – Director, Trade in Services, Investment, IPR and Digital Trade
	Moderated by Stephen Kuria – CEO AAEMI	George Tarus – The Head, Forest
	What is the Carbon Market legal and regulatory landscape in Kenya/ Africa - Carbon Trading Process, opportunities for small and large businesses?	Conservation Directorate, Ministry of Environment.
		Grace Waswa – ESG Lead, MMW Advocates LLP
		Ian Nthiga - Partnerships Associate, Octavia Carbon

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15:30 – 16:30 p.m.	Panel Discussion; Moderated by Jacqueline Kimani Empowering the Future: Capacity Building and Development Strategies for Sustainable Clean Energy Solutions	 Stephen Kuria – Chief Executive Officer, AAEMI Lucy Mutuku - Chief Executive Officer, National Youth Caucus Kenya Tim Smyth - The Founder and Chief Executive Officer, One Degree South
16:30 p.m.	Evening Tea and Networking.	

DAY 2 / 9th AUGUST 2024



TIME	EVENT - PRESENTATION	SPEAKERS
8:00 – 9.00 a.m.	Registration and Welcome Refreshments. National Anthem & Conference opening	
9:00 — 10:00 a.m.	Presentation & Panel Discussion; Moderated by Mr. Alex Chamwada – LITE CPF How can renewable energy drive a sustainable economy and industrial activities?	Mr. Peter Scott - Chief Executive Officer, BURN Manufacturing
	The Role of Green Energy in Decarbonizing the African Economy. Policies and Financing in Clean Energy and Green Business: Innovations, Education, and Technologies Market demands and growth of Clean Energy.	 Dr. Kipkirui Langat – The Director General, Technical and Vocational Training Authority Mr. Paul Simiyu - Chief Executive Officer, Sentimental Energy
10:00 – 10:30 a.m.	Health Break.	
10:30 – 11:30 a.m.	 Panel Discussions; Moderated by Tim Smyth - The Founder and Chief Executive Officer, One Degree South What are the ESG benefits to large and small organizations -The mechanism for analyzing and closing ESG gaps How can organisations mobilise value chains, build partnerships, reengineer financing and overcome resource constraints to scale the entire ecosystem of technologies? Do businesses have existing knowledge and capabilities that would create an advantage in the development and scaling of climate conscious technologies (e.g. more efficient coolers)? 	Grace Waswa – ESG Lead, MMW Advocates LLP Achola MakO'wuor - Business Development Manager- Eastern Africa, Siemens - Energy LTD Mr George Aluru - Chief Executive Officer- Electricity Sector Association of Kenya & Chairman KEPSA Energy Sector

DAY 2

9th AUGUST 2024



TIME	EVENT - PRESENTATION	SPEAKERS
11:30 – 12:30 p.m	¹ Panel Discussions;	
	Moderated by Mr. James Ngomeli - Chief Energizing Officer, Brands & Beyond Ltd.	Clety Bore- Reservoir & Steamfield Manager, Kengen
	Policies, regulations, and incentives to drive growth in Clean Energy. Academia and universities technical Papers- Role of the extractives sector in promoting Green/Clean Energy and its sustainability Challenges facing clean energy in Africa and other continents, and how the same can be resolved	 Kathleen Asena - Geophysicist, NOCK Dr. Christine Omuombo- Department of Geoscience and the Environment, Technical University of Kenya (TUK). Mr. Robert Mahenia - The Deputy Director, Legal Services, Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority
12:30 – 13:20 p.m	Lunch Brea	ak
13:30 – 14:30 p.m	Technical Papers Clean Energy transition technologies, is it a scaling, finance and innovation problem, or accessibility problem	Mr. James Mariara - Reservoir Engineer, KenGen
		 Mr. Moses Ikote Letina - Mechanical Engineer, KenGen Ms. Naomi Moya - Ph.D. Student University of Canterbury, New Zealand
14:30 – 15:30 p.m	Green energy movement launch & closing remarks	John Muchiri - Chief Executive Officer, Brown paper
15:30 p.m	Evening Tea And Networking.	



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SPEAKERS' BIOS & PHOTOS





A Professional Electrical Engineer, passionate about sustainable development. With over 20 years of expertise in promoting the development of Renewable Energy in Kenya. This involves the formulation of policies, roadmaps, and strategies for RE, Electrification, Energy Efficiency, Green Hydrogen, Emobility, Public-Private Partnerships, and Clean Cooking. A project manager with experience as a Coordinator for all projects by Development partners in the sector.

Eng. Isaac Kiva - Secretary Renewable Energy, Ministry of Energy Kenya



Eng. John Mativo has over 25 years of experience in planning, designing, and constructing infrastructure projects in the energy, buildings, and marine sectors. He manages a high-profile team composed of engineers, surveyors, safeguards experts, and project monitoring and evaluation specialists. Eng. Mativo is involved in undertaking PPP pilot projects and participates in mentorship programs, including 3Es Experience and as a University of Nairobi (UON) alumnus.

Eng. John Mativo – Managing Director, Kenya Electricity Transmission Company Ltd (KETRACO).



Joy Brenda Mdivo -Chairperson, KPLC

Joy Masinde (45 years) is an advocate of the High Court of Kenya of 19 years standing. She is the Executive Director of the East Africa Centre for Law and Justice, EACLJ, a position she has held for the last ten years. Previously, Ms. Mdivo was the Executive Director of The Christian Legal Education Aid and Research, CLEAR Kenya, the Legal Aid branch of the Kenya Christian Lawyers Fellowship. Prior to joining the civil society, Ms. Mdivo worked with the Kenyan Judiciary for six years starting as a District Magistrate, rising through the rank of Senior Resident Magistrate before her resignation from public service. She currently serves on several boards, including the Evangelical Alliance of Kenya, the Kenya Students Christian Fellowship and the Deliverance Church International Council. Ms. Mdivo is a member of the Law Society of Kenya, where she previously served as a Council Member of the Law Society of Kenya, Nairobi Branch. She is a member of the Kenya Christian Professional Forum, the Kenya Christian Lawyers Fellowship. She is a Bachelor of Laws graduate from the University of Nairobi and is currently undertaking a Masters of Arts in Leadership from the International Leadership





Ms Jenny Da Rin is a senior career officer in the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and was most recently Assistant Secretary, Southeast Asia Development Policy and Program Branch, in the Office of Southeast Asia.

She has previously served overseas as High Commissioner to Vanuatu and Dean of the Diplomatic Corps as well as in Ethiopia and Indonesia. As a crisis response team leader she led two evacuations from Sudan in 2023.

Ms Da Rin holds a Master of Government and Commercial Law from the Australian National University, a Graduate Diploma from Charles Sturt University and a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Canberra.

H.E. Ms. Jenny Da Rin – High **Commissioner to Kenva PR to UNEP and UN Habitat**



Mr. Stephen Kuria – Chief **Africa Energy & Minerals Institute Ltd (AAEMI)**

Stephen is a visionary and entrepreneurial leader with over 20 years of experience in mining, oil and gas, supply chain, and consulting across multiple continents. He is the Chairman of the Kenya Australia Chamber of Commerce, the Board of Director ICPAK Australia Chapter, and the Chairman of the Board at Australia Africa Energy and Minerals Institute (AAEMI), a group of companies that he founded and manages.

He is passionate about fostering trade, investment, and collaboration between Africa and Australia, as well as promoting excellence and innovation in the energy and minerals sector. He has worked with and provided services to global Fortune 500 companies, governments, and international organizations, delivering value-added solutions and impactful Executive Officer, Australia outcomes. He is a Master Black Belt in Lean Six Sigma, a World Champion in Entrepreneurship and Innovation, and a recipient of multiple awards and honors for his leadership and contributions.



Mr. Anthony Mwangi – **Chief Executive Officer, Kenya Association of** Manufactures (KAM)

Anthony is the Chief Executive, Kenya Association of Manufacturers (KAM). He is an accomplished professional with over 20 years of experience in; Government and Regulatory Affairs, Public Policy, Public Affairs, Communication, Stakeholder Management and Business Development, cutting across various industries, including Transportation, ICT, Aviation, and Oil & Gas. Before joining KAM in September 2022, he had worked at Bolt since November 2020, as the Head of Public Policy for East Africa & the Horn. Previously, he was the Director of Government, Public Affairs & Communication for Tullow Kenya till March 2020. He has also served as the Leader of IBM Government & Regulatory Affairs for East Africa from 2012 – 2015.





Mr. Joe Sang – The Managing Director, Kenya Pipeline Company

Mr Sang is a holder of Master of Business Administration (Strategy), Bachelor of Arts (Economics) and CPA (K). A member of ICPAK, he brings to the role over 15 years hands-on experience garnered through various senior managerial positions in different organizations including Parastatals and Multi-National Corporations. These includes: Head of Group Business Performance & Planning at East Africa Breweries Limited; Finance Director at East Africa Maltings Limited; Management Accountant with Unga Group; and Financial Accountant at National Oil Corporation of Kenya (NOCK). Mr Sang takes pride in being a team player, demonstrates a passion for developing others and has a penchant for delivering great business performance. This philosophy is critical as KPC rebrands as Africa's premier Oil and Gas Company.



Dr. Calvin Onyango – Director General, Kenya Industrial Research and Development Institute (KIRDI)

Dr. Onyango has expansive research experience spanning over twentysix (26) years. His expertise is in Food Science and Technology. He has published widely in peer reviewed scientific journals and contributed immensely in research conferences and workshops. He has fundraised extensively through bankable research proposals. His research work has been cited widely and he has received numerous awards in appreciation of his contribution to the body of research in food science and technology.

His career in research at KIRDI has seen him rise through the ranks to the position of Director - General for the Institute. He previously served in several management positions in the Institute. Through his career development he has also had periods of gaining work experience while on sabbatical leave where he taught as visiting lecturer in various Universities locally and abroad



Lucy Mutuku - Chief Executive Officer, National Youth Caucus Kenya

Lucy Mutuku is an award winning youth advocate at the regional and national levels. She's the founder and CEO of The National Youth Caucus Kenya which is a premier youth led organisation in Kenya and gradually expanding to other countries across the globe. She has extensive knowledge and experience in public policy , international development , governance and human rights which is an experience she learnt from being an advocate for good governance and leadership in Kenya through Public service Governance. She's the 2021 recipient of the the Female Youth leader of the year awards by Peace League Africa and hence also championing for peace in Kenya. At 23, she's also an awardee of Selfless dedication to humanity by Public Service Governance (PSG) in 2020

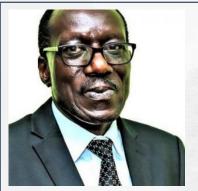




Mr. James Ngomeli -Chief Energizing Officer, Brands & Beyond Ltd.

I am the Chief Energizing Officer at Brands and Beyond Ltd and an accomplished sustainability marketing and energy expert with over 30 years of experience in pioneering sustainable solutions for every drop of water and watt of energy. Steering the most extensive restructuring, rebranding, and culture change of a 14,000-strong workforce, I grew profits by 120% in 5 years at Kenya Power. I led behavior change communication for the 4,500-strong United Nations office in Nairobi, implementing flexible work post-COVID. As a Board Trustee, I led the formation, rebranding, and culture change of the Kenya Power Pension Fund.

I have extensive experience in stakeholder engagement and government relations, guiding several investors through complex processes, including Kenya Lake Turkana Wind Power 360 MW (the most significant private investment in the country), EDF launch, Kinangop Wind Park, Virunga Power, and many business delegations and roundtables. I conceptualize and moderate conferences on sustainability, with a particular focus on energy and sustainability.



Dr. Eng. Joseph Oketch - The Head of Electricity and Renewable Energy Directorate, EPRA

Dr. Eng. Joseph Oketch heads the Electricity and Renewable Energy Directorate and is responsible for overseeing formulation, review and monitoring of regulations, standards and codes for the electrical and renewable energy sub sectors in Kenya. He has over 25 years of experience in the energy sector. Prior to joining EPRA ten (10) years ago, he had served in senior positions at Kenya Power and the Rural Electrification Authority (REA).

Dr. Eng. Joseph Oketch holds a Bachelor of Science degree in (Electrical Engineering) from the University of Nairobi, a Master of Business Administration (Strategic management) from Kenyatta University, a Post Graduate Diploma (Project Planning and Management) from the University of Nairobi and a Doctor of Philosophy(PhD) in Strategic Management from Kenyatta University.



Franklin Juma – Chairperson, Kenya Oil & Gas Association

A highly skilled, dedicated and result driven lawyer with several years of experience in Corporate Affairs including Management. Extensive expertise with demonstrated success in corporate contracts; negotiations; drafting and negotiating complex agreements; handling litigation issues; managing government relations / public affairs. Proven track record as a team leader/player who can motivate, educate and bridge the gap to achieve results by building long-term and mutually beneficial internal & external stakeholder relationships across diverse workforces



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Beatrice Nyabira is the Partner in charge of the Projects and Infrastructure practice at IKM. She specializes in energy, infrastructure, public-private partnerships (PPPs), public procurement and government contracting. Some of the mandates in which Beatrice has been involved include: a solid waste PPP project, a geothermal power project, a coalfired power project, several solar photovoltaic projects, two wind power projects, construction of a bridge through a PPP and the procurement of medical equipment under a managed equipment services (MES) arrangement.

Beatrice Nyabira – Projects, Energy and Restructuring. DLA Piper Africa, IKM Advocates Partner



Tim Smyth - The Founder and Chief Executive Officer, One Degree South



Andrew Amadi – Chief Executive Officer, Ubuntu Solar

30 years of founding, leading and growing local, regional and global companies in the fluid and dynamic emerging markets in Asia, Africa and Latin America. My personal mantra of NEW, DIFFERENT and BETTER has allowed me to challenge conventions and create sustainable change that is fit for purpose in the constantly evolving global marketplace. My core skills encompass...

LEADING Boards, Strategic Planning, Innovation, Growth and Performance

MANAGING Teams, Key Stakeholder Relationships, P&Ls and Business Execution

DOING the Building of strong Organizational Cultures to align People and Teams

Having worked as an expert exclusively in environment, renewable energy and energy efficiency-related sectors including carrying out of energy audits, I have been able to successfully set up Energy Service Company (ESCOs), take part of the development and implementation of energy efficiency projects using the performance based contract approach, creatively use the Measurement and Verification (M&V) of energy savings and most importantly participating in the development of sustainable energy policy for public and private sector organizations. I have added water to the portfolio of projects and work that I am committed to. I strongly believe that there is an urgency to develop solutions that will make potable water available, reliable and of good quality, especially as the population grows in Africa and the impact of climate change takes effect.





Ms Kabaki Provides Research, Advisory and Technical services including facilitating business engagements in the areas of Climate change, energy, housing, transport infrastructure focusing on countries in Sub-Saharan Africa. She identifies potential business opportunities; primarily major infrastructure based projects by numerous governments in the region, and facilitates business ventures, mergers and partnerships with government entities, entrepreneurs, and investors.

Jane Kabaki - The Chief Executive Officer, SheVentures



Emily Mburu Ndoria – Director, Trade in Services, Investment, IPR and Digital Trade

Trade Expert with over 20 years of work experience with international and regional organizations as well as direct national level support for countries in Central, Eastern, Northern, Southern, and Western Africa. Expertise in trade in services, trade negotiations, digital trade, private sector development, trade and investment policy, trade facilitation, women and youth in trade, development of value chains, IPR, and regional integration of African countries.



George Tarus – The Head, Forest Conservation Directorate, Ministry of Environment.

Mr Tarus is a dedicated forestry and climate change expert with over 10 years' experience in forestry and agroforestry system management. He holds M.Sc. in Natural Resource Management and M.Sc. in Climate Change. He works with Kenya Forest Service as a Senior Conservator of Forests. He is a member of the Green House Gas Inventory (GHG) Modelling team, REDD+ and Forest and Landscape restoration technical working group in Kenya. Mr Tarus is the current chair the Scientific Committee of Forestry Society of Kenya. He is a member of the Environmental Institute of Kenya (EIK) where he is registered as Lead expert on Environmental Impact Assessment and Audit.





Grace Waswa – ESG Lead, MMW Advocates LLP I work at MMW Advocates LLP, where I am focused on driving climate justice and economic equity through the transformative power of legal frameworks. I firmly believe that aligning legal structures with the UN Sustainable Development Goals is crucial for expediting our global development agenda.

Over the past six years, I've passionately championed youth advocacy through leadership roles in two impactful organizations – Youthify Networks and SDGs and Me. Our initiatives have touched the lives of over 5000 young individuals across Africa, earning global recognition. Having participated in prestigious leadership programs like YALI funded by USAID, I firmly believe in the potential of young leaders. Leadership isn't just a position; it's a responsibility to empower others.



I am an analytical & creative problem solver, marketer, strategic planner and financial analyst with international experience and awards who, for years, has been exercising my marketing, analytical, financial and creative capabilities in new and interesting ways. I have experience in leading strategic projects, project management, stakeholder management, managing diverse groups, motivating & coordinating teams, selling ideas, internal communication, business development, tender preparation, creative writing, analytical writing, marketing, finance and economics.

I have applied these skills on both short-term and long-term projects.

Ian Nthiga - Partnerships Associate, Octavia Carbon



My work involves Developing and implementing commercial strategies and Conducting market research and analysis to create detailed business plans on commercial opportunities (expansion, business development etc.)

Acting to acquire new customers and manage client relationships (new and existing)

Collaborating with and coordinating diverse teams (Sales & marketing, Engineering etc.)

Building and maintaining profitable partnerships with key stakeholders

Mr. Jibril Omar - Chief Executive Officer, OFGEN Africa.





Mr. Peter Scott - Chief Executive Officer, BURN Manufacturing.

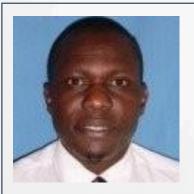
Peter Scott, a globally recognized leader in the clean cookstove industry, is the CEO & Founder of BURN Manufacturing Co and the Founder of BURN Design Lab. Peter founded BURN in 2011 in order to save lives and forests in the developing world through the design and manufacture of clean-burning cookstoves. In 2006, he received an Ashden Award for supporting local producers in Southern Africa in creating highly profitable institutional stove businesses. In 2010, he was chosen as one of 2010's Top100 Global Thinkers by Foreign Policy Magazine. BURN is now the only vertically integrated modern cookstove company in Sub-Saharan Africa. Currently, the facility has a capacity of 45,000 stoves per month and employs over 400 people, 60% of whom are women.



Eng. Paul Simiyu Mabonga is a dedicated energy engineer, effective projects coordinator and manager with a passion for propagating the use of clean energy through audit, engineering, procurement, construction, operations, and maintenance of solar energy systems.

With over 14 years of experience in the renewable energy sector, Paul has worked with notable organizations such as Chloride Exide, Solar Century, and Fonroche Lighting, where he served as Commercial Director. He is currently the Managing Director at Sentimental Energy Company Limited.

Eng. Paul Simiyu - Chief Executive Officer, Sentimental Energy



Achola Makowuor is currently the Business Development Manager -Eastern Africa at Siemens. Achola Makowuor brings experience from previous roles at Improchem, Ge and Ge Power. Achola Makowuor holds a 2003 - 2006 Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering @ University of Washington. With a robust skill set that includes Contract Negotiation, New Business Development, Strategic Planning, Negotiation, Cross Functional Team Leadership and more.

Achola MakO'wuor - Business Development Manager- Eastern Africa, Siemens - Energy LTD





Mr. Robert Mahenia -The Deputy Director, Legal Services, Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority

Robert is an advocate of the High Court of Kenya, a Certified Public Private Partnership (PPP) Specialist, a Certified Public Secretary. He has an LLM in Petroleum Law & Policy, University of Dundee (UK) and an LLB from University of Nairobi. Prior to joining EPRA, he worked with Kenya Power & Lighting Company Limited as a Senior Legal Officer (Commercial Services). Before joining KPLC Robert was in private practice in the firm of Kimani & Michuki advocates. Robert has experience in legislation, regulation and policy drafting, Project Finance, Public Private Partnerships (PPPs).

Presently he is the acting Corporation Secretary & Director Legal Services, at Energy & Petroleum Regulatory Authority.



Dr. Kipkirui Langat possesses an in-depth understanding of policies, regulations, and strategies in the management of TVET systems. He has extensive experience in policies, regulations, and strategies for transport emissions control and is an expert in motor vehicle inspection. Dr. Langat is skilled in the development of project proposals, as well as project monitoring, reporting, and verifications. With 20 years of experience in research and teaching at tertiary institutions and universities in Kenya, he brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to his field.

Dr. Kipkirui Langat – The Director General, Technical and Vocational Training Authority



I am geoscientist with experience in using geochemical and sedimentological techniques in present and ancient lake and marine systems. I have skills in data analysis and science communication, and interact with a variety of stakeholders in sustainable use and management of natural resources.

Dr. Christine Omuombo- Department of Geoscience and the Environment, Technical University of Kenya (TUK).





Experienced Geophysicist with a demonstrated history of working in the oil & energy industry. Skilled in Research, Management, Interpretation and Processing of Geophysical data. Currently leading the Industry Outlook project to provide a blueprint that promotes sustainable investment based on broader understanding of energy needs in Kenya's evolving economy and sensitivity to global concerns for climate change and carbon footprint. Also had the brilliant opportunity to chair the Africa Petroleum Data Management Forum, whose association has led to the exposure to many participants to matters related to proper data governance practices.

Kathleen Asena -Geophysicist, NOCK



Mr. James Mariara -Reservoir Engineer at Kengen

James Mariara is a Reservoir Engineer at KenGen, Kenya's leading electricity generation company. Specializing in geothermal energy, particularly in the Olkaria geothermal field, one of Kenya's most significant geothermal resources, Mariara's work involves the exploration, development, and management of geothermal reservoirs to ensure efficient and sustainable energy production. He has been involved in various aspects of geothermal reservoir engineering, including well design, reservoir modeling, numerical simulation, and production optimization. His expertise plays a crucial role in the effective management of geothermal resources, which are vital for meeting Kenya's energy needs.



John Njogu is the CEO and National Coordinator of the Petroleum Outlets Association of Kenya (POAK), an umbrella body representing local players in the petroleum sector, including retailers, resellers, transporters, and local oil marketing companies. Since its inception in 2019, Njogu has been instrumental in leading POAK, focusing on uniting and transforming the local petroleum industry through innovation and inclusivity. Under his leadership, POAK provides various services to its members, such as logistic support, business tools, regulatory compliance assistance, and capacity building.

John Njogu - Chief Executive Officer & National Coordinator, Petroleum Outlets Association of Kenya [POAK]





George Aluru is the chairperson of the Electricity Sector Association of Kenya (ESAK). He has been actively involved in evaluating and predicting trends in the power and energy sector, both locally and globally. Aluru emphasizes the importance of transparency in the electricity sector to improve efficiency and reduce costs. He has also spoken about the significance of regional markets for electricity and the potential for cross-border trade to enhance energy generation and distribution.

Mr George Aluru - Chief Executive Officer-Electricity Sector Association of Kenya & Chairman KEPSA Energy Sector



Martin Ireri-Executive Director, LITES Kenya

Martin Ireri is a seasoned professional with over 10 years of experience in Business Development, dedicated to helping businesses discover new opportunities and leverage technology for sustainability and profitability. He is an enthusiast in renewable energy, holding a Solar PV T3 certification from the Strathmore Energy Resource Centre (GIZ). Martin has an undergraduate degree in Electronic and Computer Engineering from JKUAT and a Master's in Information Systems from Strathmore University. As a registered engineer with the Engineers Board of Kenya (EBK) and an associate member of IMIS-UK, he brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise. Martin is passionate about technology trends and excited to integrate technology with energy. His skills in business process analysis and his strong business acumen contribute to his broad understanding of business processes.