



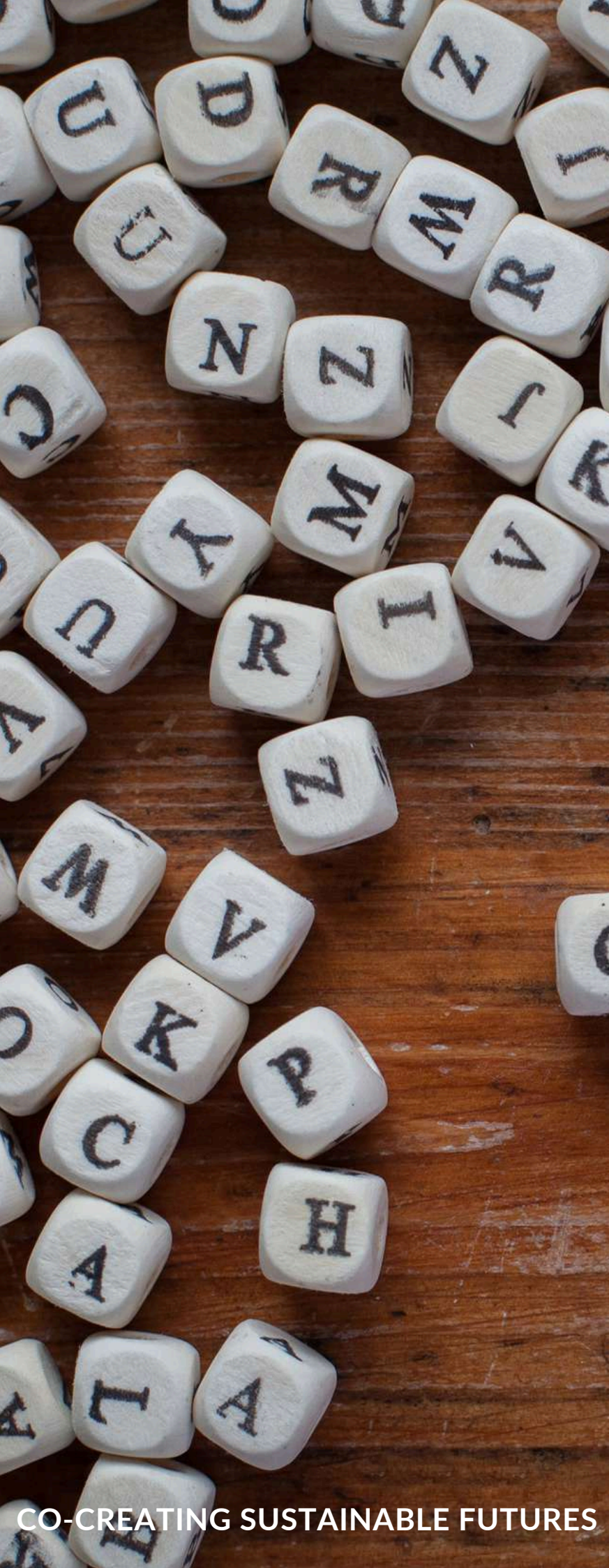
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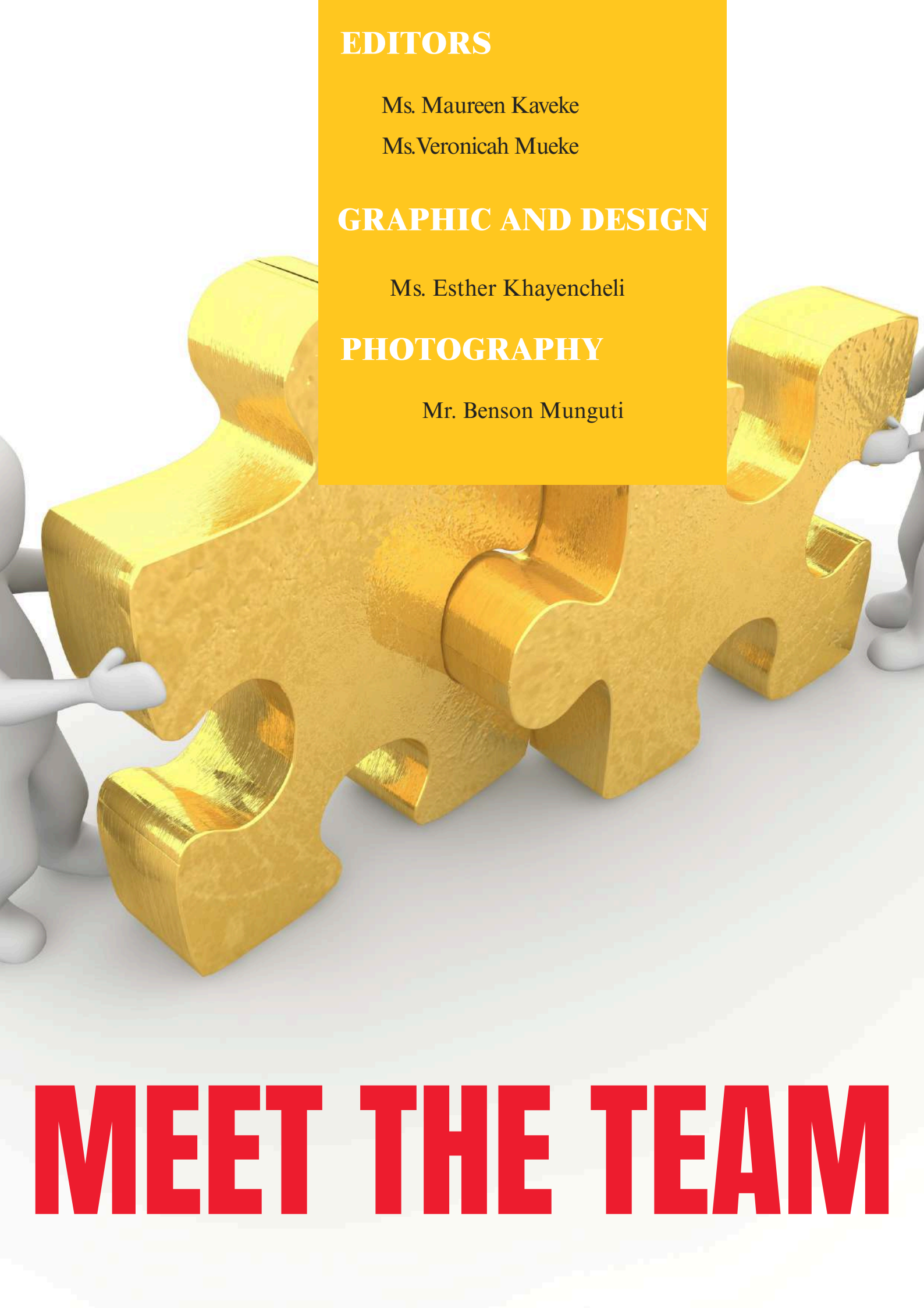
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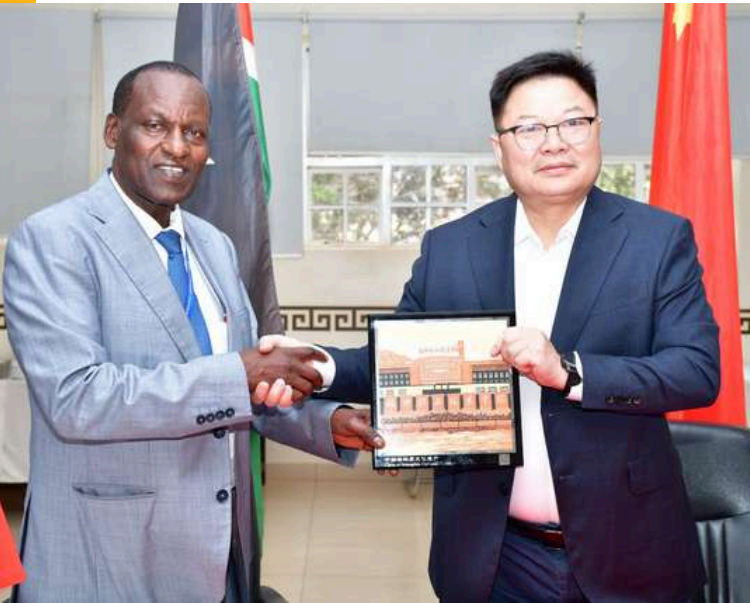
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# **MEET THE TEAM**



# New Global Opportunities as Machakos University Partners with Fuzhou Polytechnic University!



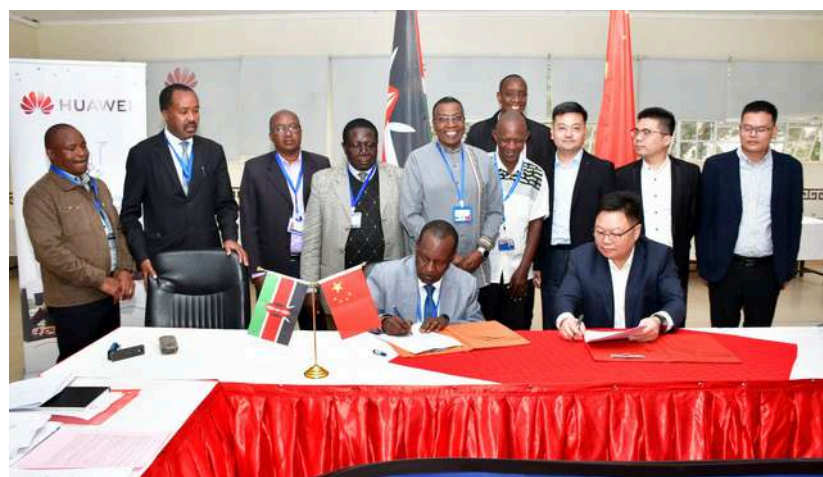
The partnership underscores Machakos University's commitment to expanding international collaborations that enrich teaching, research, and community engagement. By forging strategic alliances with leading global institutions, the University continues to create transformative opportunities for its academic community while strengthening its position as a globally connected institution dedicated to producing innovative, future-ready graduates and advancing sustainable development.

Machakos University has signed a landmark Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Fuzhou Polytechnic University, China, marking a significant milestone in the University's internationalization agenda. The partnership will establish the Machakos Maritime Silk Road Institute, creating a platform for enhanced academic collaboration, innovation, and cross-cultural engagement.

The collaboration will facilitate student and staff exchange programmes, joint research initiatives, curriculum development, innovation projects, online learning opportunities, and Chinese language training. Through these initiatives, both institutions aim to foster academic excellence, promote knowledge exchange, and equip students and staff with the global competencies required to thrive in an increasingly interconnected world.



*Courtesy visit to the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Joyce Agalo, by Fuzhou Polytechnic University delegation*



*Signing of the MoU between Machakos University and Fuzhou Polytechnic University*

# Machakos University Expands Global Partnerships



Machakos University has taken another significant step in advancing its internationalization agenda through high-level engagements with the National University of Science and Technology MISIS (NUST), laying the foundation for a strategic partnership focused on industrial education, research, innovation, and institutional capacity building. The engagement reflects the University's continued commitment to fostering global collaborations that enhance academic excellence and contribute to sustainable socio-economic development.

During the discussions, Vice-Chancellor Prof. Joyce J. Agalo highlighted the strong alignment between NUST's industry-oriented approach and Machakos University's vision of producing graduates equipped with practical skills, innovative thinking, and the capacity to address real-world challenges. She emphasized that closer collaboration between universities and industry is essential in ensuring that academic programmes remain relevant, responsive, and aligned with the evolving demands of the labour market. The two institutions explored a broad range of opportunities for collaboration across key disciplines, including engineering, information and communication technology, business, communication, linguistics, agriculture, renewable energy, and solar technologies.

Discussions also focused on staff and student exchange programmes, beginning with postgraduate training, as well as joint research initiatives, curriculum development, institutional capacity building, and knowledge exchange. Both universities expressed a shared commitment to adopting problem-based learning approaches that integrate research, innovation, and industrial experience to prepare graduates for the rapidly changing global economy.

To operationalize the partnership, the institutions proposed identifying priority areas for collaboration, strengthening linkages between academic departments, engaging industry partners, and developing joint programmes that integrate teaching, research, innovation, and industrial attachment. The engagement underscores Machakos University's strategic focus on building impactful international partnerships that expand research opportunities, enhance graduate employability, promote innovation, and reinforce the University's position as a centre of academic excellence committed to addressing local and global development challenges.



# Machakos University Students Return from Erasmus+ International Mobility Programme



Machakos University proudly welcomed students who successfully completed the Erasmus+ International Mobility Programme at Riga Technical University (RTU), Latvia, reaffirming the University's commitment to academic excellence, internationalization, and the development of globally competent graduates.

During the exchange programme, the students immersed themselves in an international academic environment, gaining advanced disciplinary knowledge, practical learning experiences, and valuable intercultural competencies.

The programme also provided opportunities to engage with diverse cultures, collaborate with peers from different parts of the world, and broaden their perspectives on global challenges and innovative solutions. These experiences have strengthened both their academic and personal development while preparing them to excel in an increasingly interconnected world. The students were received by the Erasmus+ Programme Coordinator, Prof. Stanley Makindi, and the Registrar,

Academic and Student Affairs, Mr. Patrick Okemba, who congratulated them on their successful completion of the programme.

They commended the students for their exemplary academic performance, professionalism, and outstanding representation of Machakos University throughout the exchange, noting that they had served as worthy ambassadors of the University on the global stage.

Through strategic international partnerships such as the Erasmus+ Programme, Machakos University continues to create transformative opportunities for student mobility, academic collaboration, and cross-cultural learning. These initiatives reflect the University's unwavering commitment to nurturing globally competitive graduates equipped with the knowledge, skills, and international outlook required to drive innovation, leadership, and sustainable development in an ever-evolving global society.

# Inspiring Dreams, Shaping Futures

Machakos University participated in the Second Edition of the Kajiado Career Expo at Nkaimurunya Senior School, Ongata Rongai, reaffirming its commitment to empowering young people through quality higher education, informed career choices, and lifelong learning. The expo convened a broad spectrum of stakeholders, including universities,

TVET institutions, National Polytechnics, government agencies, healthcare institutions, corporate organizations, and thousands of students, creating a dynamic platform for career exploration and academic engagement. The University's Admissions Office, in collaboration with the Corporate Affairs and Public Relations Department, engaged prospective students through personalized career guidance and academic advisory sessions.

Learners received comprehensive information on academic programmes, admission requirements, subject combinations, programme cut-off points, and the diverse opportunities available at Machakos University, enabling them to make informed decisions about their educational and professional aspirations.

Beyond showcasing its academic excellence, the University's participation reflected its enduring commitment to nurturing talent, widening access to higher education, and fostering meaningful partnerships that support national development.

Through sustained outreach initiatives such as the Kajiado Career Expo, Machakos University continues to inspire future generations, champion excellence in education, and cultivate graduates equipped to drive innovation, leadership, and sustainable development.



*Form Four Students' talk by the KUCCPS Officials*



*MksU Staff guiding students on academic programmes and career pathways*



*3rd from right, Dr. Martin Cheruiyot, Director of Education, Kajiado County, 4th right, Mr. Peter Kiama, Principal, Nkaimurunya Senior School, with Quality Assurance and Standards Officers (QASOs), Kajiado County, and staff from Machakos University.*



# Advancing Learning Through a Modern Library

The Machakos University Library continues to play a pivotal role in supporting teaching, learning, research, and innovation by providing students, faculty, and researchers with access to a rich and diverse collection of academic resources. Over the years, the University has expanded its holdings to include an extensive range of both print and electronic resources, ensuring that the academic community has access to high-quality information across a wide spectrum of disciplines. The Library is equipped with modern technologies that enhance the user experience, including an integrated library management system, biometric access control, and Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) technology for efficient resource management and secure access. Through the MyLOFT platform, users can also access electronic resources remotely, enabling seamless learning and research beyond the physical library.

In its commitment to upholding academic integrity, the University has invested in advanced similarity-checking and artificial intelligence detection platforms to promote originality, ethical scholarship, and the production of high-quality academic work.

The University acknowledges with sincere appreciation the invaluable support of its partners and donors whose generous contributions have enriched the Library's collections and strengthened its academic resources. Special recognition is extended to Prof. Florence Memba, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration, Planning and Finance), Dr. Patrick Njoroge, former Governor of the Central Bank of Kenya, Machakos University alumni, Mr. C. G. Kiriimi, the Chandaria Foundation, the Central Bank of Kenya, Educate Yourself, Falcon Books Ltd, and other partners whose continued support advances the University's mission of academic excellence.

As a centre of knowledge and innovation, the Machakos University Library remains dedicated to providing an enabling environment that empowers scholarship, inspires discovery, and supports the University's pursuit of excellence in higher education.



*New additions to the MksU Library*



*MksU Library Assistant Jane Nzola, catalogs newly acquired books into the library system*





## Global Learning, Lifelong Impact

My name is Emmanuel Andrian Owino Omondi, and I am a fifth-year Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering student at Machakos University participating in the Erasmus+ Exchange Programme at Riga Technical University, Latvia, has been one of the most rewarding and transformative experiences of my academic journey. The programme challenged me intellectually, immersed me in a multicultural environment, and gave me the opportunity to build meaningful friendships with students from different parts of the world.

One of the highlights of my stay was experiencing snow for the first time, something I had previously only seen in photographs. Beyond the excitement of discovering a new country, I gained valuable insights into Latvia's vibrant innovation and startup ecosystem, which broadened my perspective on entrepreneurship, technology, and international collaboration. Every experience encouraged me to think beyond borders and deepened my appreciation for the power of cultural exchange.

I am sincerely grateful to Machakos University, Riga Technical University, and the Erasmus+ Programme for making this life-changing opportunity possible. The knowledge, skills, and global exposure I gained have strengthened my confidence, adaptability, and preparedness for future academic and professional pursuits.

I encourage fellow students to embrace exchange opportunities whenever they arise. Beyond academic enrichment, these experiences foster personal growth, broaden perspectives, build lifelong networks, and prepare students to thrive in an increasingly interconnected world.



*Emmanuel Andrian Owino Omondi, a fifth-year Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering MksU student Participating in the Erasmus+ Exchange Programme at Riga Technical University,*

# Staff Team Shares Honours in Friendly Encounter



*The Machakos University Staff Football Team before kick-off of their friendly match*

The Machakos University Staff Football Team showcased teamwork, resilience, and sportsmanship in an entertaining friendly match against Kitikyumu FC, with the encounter ending in a thrilling 3–3 draw. The fixture also marked the team's appearance in their new gold kit, reflecting the University's vibrant sporting spirit.

Machakos University made an impressive start, with striker Kelvin Mbithi opening the scoring before Albert Kitaka extended the lead. Mbithi later completed his brace with a well-struck free kick, capping an outstanding individual performance in a match that featured exciting attacking football from both sides.

Beyond the result, the friendly reaffirmed the strong relationship between Machakos University Staff and Kitikyumu FC, promoting camaraderie, wellness, and community engagement through sport. The fixture formed part of the continued exchange between the two teams following Machakos University's visit to Kitikyumu FC's home ground, underscoring the University's commitment to fostering meaningful partnerships both on and off the field.





# Welcome to MksU!



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Congratulations to all the **3,639** students placed at Machakos University through KUCCPS. You made the right choice!

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