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VARSITY HOLDS COLLABORATIVE MEETING WITH YOUTH FUND



Karatina University Management on Monday 12th September, 2022 held a collaborative meeting with the top leadership of the Youth Enterprise Development Fund. Led by the Acting Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Benson Muthendi, the team was received by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Mucai Muchiri and the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic, Research and Students Affairs), Prof. Peninah Aloo-Obudho.

Discussions centred on the Fund's interest to support students in incubating innovations that would promote self-reliance and drive Kenya's economic growth. This is in line with the Fund's mandate of providing entrepreneurship, training, mentorship as well as market support and linkages to youth-owned enterprises.

General areas of collaboration were outlined among them sensitizing students to be innovative and educating them on available opportunities, pairing student innovations with industry players for possible commercialization and offering technical knowledge and guidance to the students.

A steering committee was formed to oversee the development and signing of a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) by the end of September 2022.

As a first step, the University has invited representatives from the Fund to the Karatina University Start-up Weekend coming up in November 2022.



KARATINA UNIVERSITY CONGRATULATES THE PRESIDENT AND THE DEPUTY PRESIDENT

Karatina University on, Tuesday, 6th September 2022, sent a congratulatory message, via the Daily Nation, to H. E Dr. William Samoei Ruto on his election as the 5th President of the Republic of Kenya and H.E Rigathi Gachagua as the Deputy President.

The University has confidence in their leadership to spur growth and development of the higher education sector in Kenya.

Overleaf is the message as it appeared in the newspaper.



KARATINA UNIVERSITY CONGRATULATES THE PRESIDENT AND THE DEPUTY PRESIDENT

On Thursday, 15th September 2022, Karatina University hosted students from Kaplong Girls High School from Bomet County. The two hundred and seventy four students (274), mainly in their last year of secondary education, were on an academic mentorship visit. The students toured the University and were later engaged in a mentorship session where they were given an overview of the University and the programmes it offers. They were further guided on specific courses including but not limited to Nursing, Food Science and Nutrition, Human Nutrition and Dietetics, Business Management, Education, Agricultural Sciences, Mathematics, Statistics and Actuarial Sciences.

The visit was coordinated by the Centre for Community Outreach assisted by the Office of the Registrar (Academic Affairs), select Schools, Dean of Students Office, Library and Hostels Office.



COMMEMORATION OF WORLD SUICIDE PREVENTION DAY, 2022

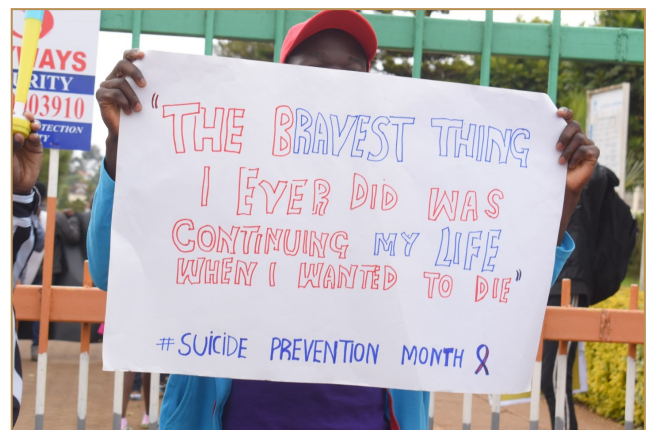
Karatina University commemorated World Suicide Prevention Day on Friday, 9th September 2022. The event was graced by the Deputy Registrar (Academic Affairs), Dr. Jacklyne Alari. In her remarks, Dr. Alari stated that by "Creating Hope through Action," we can inspire people who are experiencing suicidal thoughts and inform them that there is hope. She called upon everyone to participate in supporting those who are experiencing suicidal crises or those bereaved by suicide. "We can all reach out to people who are struggling and share our experiences," she said.

The Dean of Students Office, through the Counselling section, conducted a campaign walk within the University to create awareness on the prevention of suicide.

World Suicide Prevention Day is normally commemorated every 10th September of each year in order to focus attention on the issue, reduce stigma and raise awareness among organizations, governments, and the public, giving a singular message that suicide can be prevented (World Health Organization).

"Creating Hope through Action" has been the triennial Theme for the World Suicide Prevention Day from 2021 - 2023. The Theme is a reminder that there is an alternative to suicide and aims to inspire confidence and light in all of us (WHO).

Staff and students commemorated this day in order to bring create hope through action and be the light.





WORLD SUICIDE PREVENTION DAY WALK

Theme: Creating Hope Through Action

📍 Karatina University, Main Campus

📅 Friday, 9th September, 2022

🕒 2:30 PM

*This world is more beautiful with you in it.
You are valuable.*



TEA INSTITUTE SHOWCASES PRODUCTS AT CENTRAL KENYA ASK SHOW, 2022

Karatina University participated in the Central Kenya Agricultural Society of Kenya National Show, 2022 at the Kabiru-ini Showground, Nyeri. This Year's Theme was 'Promoting Innovation and Technology in Agriculture and Trade'.

The University exhibited, sampled and sold tea products under the Tea Board of Kenya stand; its partnering organization.

The Acting Chief Executive Officer, Tea Board of Kenya, Peris Mudida, said that the University's Tea Institute, which focuses on research and innovation in the tea value chain with emphasis on speciality tea processing and quality assurance, tea organic farming and formulation of tea products, is beneficial to the development of the tea industry.

The Director, Tea Institute, Dr. Mary Muchiri, stated that the University displayed value-added purple tea food products such as spiced purple tea, lemonade, probiotic purple tea yoghurt and purple tea cakes.

Over 120 companies and organizations showcased their products and sensitized farmers on various agricultural best practices.

The Show started on Wednesday, 7th September 2022 and ended on Sunday, 11th September, 2022.





Below is a KTN News link featuring Karatina University- from minute 2:05 to 3:40.

https://youtu.be/B_elt9top44

UNIVERSITY HOSTS KUPAA MUSIC TRAINERS WORKSHOP

Karatina University hosted the 2nd National Kenya Universities Performing Arts Association (KUPAA) Music Trainers Workshop. The Workshop entailed training of music trainers, students, patrons and Deans of Students.

The University is a member of KUPAA, a body run by the Kenya Universities Deans of Students Association (KUDSA), and is mandated to organize all performing arts activities in conjunction with the Ministry of Education.

Approximately twenty (20) universities attended the Workshop which ran from Monday, 12th September 2022 to Friday, 16th September 2022.

VARSITY PARTICIPATES IN KUSA CENTRAL WOMEN'S GAMES

Karatina University participated in the Kenya Universities Sports Association (KUSA) Central Women's Games held at Dedan Kimathi University of Technology. The University presented teams in various events including:

- ♦ Volleyball
- ♦ Netball
- ♦ Basketball
- ♦ Table Tennis
- ♦ Hockey
- ♦ Badminton
- ♦ Handball
- ♦ Chess

Volleyball and Handball managed a podium finish at Position 2.





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