

VICE CHANCELLOR'S ROUND UP FOR THE WEEK ENDING, FRIDAY 23RD DECEMBER, 2022

- MMUST held a pre-implementation strategy meeting with the International Certification for Digital Literacy (ICDL) on Monday 19th December, 2022. This comes a few months after the two went into an agreement that saw MMUST being appointed as an Accredited Test Centre (ATC). Upon successful completion of these strategy meetings, MMUST will roll out the highly competitive programme that will see its students enhance their digital literacy skills to international levels.
- On 20th December, 2022, MMUST received a donation of Trans-African Hydro-Meteorological Observatory (TAHMO) weather station from Prof. Nick Van De Giesen of Delft University of Technology, the Netherlands. The equipment, which was worth Kshs. 381,765 is a token of appreciation to MMUST from Prof. Nick Van De Giesen, who together with MMUST's Dr. Veronica Kiluva of SDMHA are jointly supervising Mr. Rens Ampting, a visiting student from Delft University of Technology, currently hosted at MMUST.
- MMUST hosted the University of Nairobi's Vice Chancellor, Prof. Stephen Kiama on Tuesday, 20th December, 2022. The purpose of the visit was to renew the collaboration agreement on the United States Agency for International Development (USAID)-funded HealthIT project. The MMUST-UoN collaboration on this project, which begun in 2017, has seen the two (2) institutions carry out joint activities.
- The Deputy Governor of Kakamega County, Hon. Ayub Savula, visited the University on Tuesday, 20th December, 2022, to discuss possible collaboration involving Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) to enable funding the construction University hostels.
- MMUST joined Kaimosi Friends University (KAFU) to celebrate its first graduation ceremony themed 'Transforming a Generation for a Dynamic World.' The

ceremony took place on Wednesday, 21st December, 2022 at KAFU's graduation square.

- MMUST organized a Staff End of Year Prayer Day on Thursday, 22nd December.
 This is an annual event held to thank God for his blessings and grace, as well as to mark the end of the year.
- Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology's Centre for African Medicinal and Nutritional Flora and Fauna (CAMNFF) is among the only ten (10) institutions that have been selected for the coveted ICIPE BioInnovative Africa funding. The center leader of CAMNF, where the project is anchored, is a prolific researcher Prof. Maurice Vincent Omolo, a member of the Department of Pure and Applied Chemistry at MMUST.

The funding, estimated at USD ten (10) million, has been awarded to enable scientists in Eastern African Universities, research institutes, and firms to translate innovative biologically based research outputs into practical uses that address development challenges in the region. Other beneficiaries of the ICIPE BioInnovative Africa funding are; Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda.

I wish you a merry Christmas and prosperous new year!

Prof. Solomon Shibairo Vice Chancellor

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Date