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# CEO DE-BRIEF





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## FINAL REMINDER - INVITATION TO KPDA MEMBERS TO THE EAST AFRICA DIGITAL CONSTRUCTION EVENT, 14<sup>TH</sup> – 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018

The East Africa Digital Construction 2018, will witness industry peers brainstorming on the relevant topics such as digital construction tools, BIM, and ICT system, government initiatives towards construction and infrastructure development in the region.

To download the event agenda please click here.

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## INVITATION TO THE KPDA END OF YEAR KOROGA EVENT, FRIDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER 2018 AT THE SPICE ROOTS RESTAURANT, NAIROBI

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The deadline to RSVP (with payment) is Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018 using the email address <u>membership@kpda.or.ke</u> and <u>ceo@kpda.or.ke</u> or by calling 0725 286 689 or 0737 530 290.



- Please note that registration fees once paid are non-refundable and cannot be transferred to cater for the cost of attending future events. - Participants who attend this event without an RSVP will be surcharged 50% higher at the door

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 Non Members will not be allowed to participate in this event without prior payment

- Cancellations are only refundable if the secretariat is notified on email by no later than Monday, 19th November 2018

## **2019 KPDA CALENDAR OF EVENTS**



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For more information visit www.kpda.or.ke

#### **APRIL 2019**

East African Property Investment Summit (EAPI)

**Theme:** 'Driving Affordability and Opportunity through the Property Value Chain'

**Date:** 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> April 2019 **Venue:** Radisson Blu Hotel, Nairobi

**Organizer:** API Events Kfir Rusin – Managing Director **Email:** krusin@apievebts.com

#### **JUNE 2019**

KPDA Half Day Workshop (8.00am – 1.00pm) Theme: TBC

**Date:** Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019 **Venue:** Park Inn by Radisson, Nairobi

Organizer: KPDA Tel: 0725 286 689/0737 530 290

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#### **OCTOBER 2019**

**KPDA Affordable Housing Conference (8.30am – 4.30pm) Theme:** *TBC* 

**Date:** Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019 **Venue:** Radisson Blu Hotel, Nairobi

Organizer: KPDA Tel: 0725 286 689/0737 530 290 e!! Sponsorship Opportunities Available!! NOVEMBER 2019



End of Year KPDA Networking Koroga Event (6.30pm onwards) Date: Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2019 Venue: Spice Roots Restaurant, Nairobi Organizer: KPDA Tel: 0725 286 689/0737 530 290 Sponsorship Opportunities Available!!

#### FEBRUARY 2019

KPDA/SCAK Breakfast Forum (7.30am - 10.30am) Theme: TBC

Date: Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 Venue: TBC

Organizers: KPDA, Tel: 0725 286 689/0737 530 290 SCAK, Tel: 0700 701 007

#### Sponsorship Opportunities Available!! MAY 2019

7<sup>th</sup> KPDA AGM and Koroga Event (6.00pm onwards)



**Date:** Friday, 3rd May 2019 **Venue:** Spice Roots Restaurant, Nairobi

**Organizer:** KPDA **Tel:** 0725 286 689/0737 530 290

Sponsorship Opportunities Available!!

JULY 2019 KPDA CEO Breakfast Forum (7.30am – 10.30am) Theme: TBC

Date: Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2019 Venue: TBC

Organizer: KPDA Tel: 0725 286 689/0737 530 290 Sponsorship Opportunities Available!!

To view the full 2019 KPDA Calendar of Events, please click here.

## VERY URGENT REQUEST FOR INFORMATION - SOUTH AFRICA MULTIPLE VISA FOR BUSINESS FRATERNITY

Dear KPDA Members,

Further to the <u>update</u> on the good news to ease visa application rules and entry conditions for Kenyan business and academia community travelling to South Africa, the Republic of South Africa has agreed to implement the Multiple Visa for 10 years for business people by early December 2018.

In order to effect the implementation, the Republic of Kenya has been requested to compile a list of eligible business persons (*businesses that do business in or with South Africa*) to be presented to the Republic of South Africa. The Ministry of Interior and Co-ordination of National Government has requested for this information by **close of business on Wednesday**, **14**<sup>th</sup> **November 2018** in the following format:

No.	Title (Mr/Mrs/Dr, etc.)	Name	Organization	Position	Telephone	Email

Please forward this information urgently to Pascalina (<u>pkagunda@kepsa.or.ke</u>) with a copy to Aphlyne (<u>aagina@kepsa.or.ke</u>) ensure you do not miss out on this facilitation.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2018

## The Standard | Nikko Tanui | Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2018

## TEA FIRMS DENY THAT THEY UNDERPAY LAND RATES

Multinational tea companies have disputed Kericho leaders' claims that they have been underpaying their annual land rates. Kenya Tea Growers Association Chief Executive Apollo Kiarii said they have been paying Sh1,260 per acre of land per year contrary to the leaders' claims that they have been paying Sh300. <u>Read more</u>.

## 4<sup>th</sup> November 2018

#### Daily Nation | Eric Wainaina | Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2018

#### KAMUTHI ISSUES TITLE DEEDS AFTER AUCTION SCARE

Investors at Kamuthi Housing Co-operative Society can now breathe a sigh of relief after the firm started issuing title deeds for its multibillion shillings Buffalo Hills and Golf Village gated community project in Kilimambogo, Thika, which last year nearly went under the auctioneers' hammer over a bad debt. <u>Read more</u>.

## Daily Nation | Kipchumba Some and Nyaboga Kiage | Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2018

### RUTO TO LOSE MILLIONS OF SHILLINGS IN RENT AS NEW POLICE HOUSING PLAN COMES INTO FORCE

Companies linked to Deputy President William Ruto will join a long list of those owned by influential individuals expected to lose millions of shillings in rent as the deadline for a presidential directive to cancel leases for police houses draws closer. <u>Read more.</u>

#### Daily Nation | Fadhili Fredrick | Sunday 4th November 2018

#### KWALE RESIDENTS WARNED AGAINST SELLING THEIR LAND AT THROW AWAY PRICES

Kwale residents have been warned against selling their ancestral land at throw away prices. On Sunday, Prof Halimu Shauri said selling land for short term gains is a disservice to future generations. <u>Read more.</u>

#### Daily Nation | David Mwere | Sunday 4th November 2018

## SENATE CRITICISED OVER ATTEMPTS TO DISMISS RUARAKA LAND REPORT

The Senate is on the spot over attempts to frustrate the adoption of its report on the compulsory acquisition by the government of Sh3.3 billion Ruaraka land. The land is claimed to belong to businessman Francis Mburu. <u>Read</u> <u>more.</u>

## Business Daily | Patrick Alushula | Sunday 4th November 2018

## HARD QUESTIONS REMAIN AS KENYA MOVES UP GLOBAL BUSINESS RANKING

Kenya scored a series of victories in the latest World Bank (WB) ease of doing business report but hard questions remain on the ranking. <u>Read more.</u>

## Business Daily | Editorial | Sunday 4th November 2018

## EDITORIAL: AUTOMATION OF LAND TRANSACTIONS OVERDUE

In a clear case of failing to move on with the times, the Law Society of Kenya (LSK) has expressed its strong opposition to the automation of land transactions. <u>Read more.</u>

## Business Daily | Constant Munda | Sunday 4th November 2018

## NLC STARTS PROCESS TO BUY LAND FOR CITY ROAD DUALLING

The National Land Commission has started the process of acquiring 47 parcels of land for the dualling of the busy Eastern Bypass, which stretches from Mombasa Road to the Thika Superhighway. <u>Read more.</u>

## Business Daily | John Mutua | Sunday 4th November 2018

## KIAMBU RAISES LAND RATES FOR HOMEOWNERS BY 300PC

Kiambu has increased land rates by up to 300 per cent for home owners and will start levying holders of agricultural land, dealing a blow to real estate developers. <u>Read more.</u>

## 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018

## Business Daily | Victor Juma | Monday 5th November 2018

## ARM SINKS DEEPER AFTER SH21.3BN FACTORY WRITE OFF

Troubled cement maker ARM's administrators have written off Sh21.3 billion in bad loans that the company advanced to its Tanzanian subsidiary, Maweni Limestone Limited, shrinking the company's assets by 61 per cent and taking it to a negative equity position of Sh2.4 billion. <u>Read More.</u>

## Business Daily | James Kariuki | Monday 5th November 2018

## EU MOVES TO NEW WESTLANDS OFFICES

The European Union (EU) Delegation to Kenya is relocating its headquarters to the 21-floor Dunhill Towers in Westlands citing congestion in the current Upper Hill location. <u>Read More.</u>

## Business Daily | Editorial | Monday 5th November 2018

## EDITORIAL: LAND COMMISSION MUST PUT ITS HOUSE IN ORDER

It is no longer a matter of presumption that things are not well with the management of land in Kenya. The latest signal came last week when the National Land Commission (NLC) stopped payments for 1,674 parcels after an audit revealed prices had been inflated. <u>Read More.</u>

## 6<sup>th</sup> October 2018

## Business Daily | Charles Lwanga | Tuesday 6th November 2018

## MULTI-MILLION FACILITY SET TO BOOST MALINDI CONFERENCE TOURISM

The construction of a multi-million shilling conference facility in Malindi, Kilifi County, is expected to play a role in reviving the region's tourism which is currently in the doldrums. <u>Read More.</u>

#### Business Daily | Victor Kiprop | Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018

#### DEL MONTE MANAGERS SNUB MURANG'A LEASE RENEWAL MEDIATION

The long-standing land lease renewal dispute between American fruit processor Del Monte and residents of Kandara Constituency, Murang'a County, looks set to linger on after a deal to settle the matter out-of-court crumbled. <u>Read More.</u>

#### Business Daily | Sam Kiplagat | Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018

#### TRADER DISOWNS MP'S LAND DEAL IN SH60M FRAUD SUIT

A businessman who is alleged to have sold a piece of land to Nakuru Town West MP Samuel Arama on Tuesday denied ever owning the plot. <u>Read More.</u>

#### The Standard | Stephen Nzioka | Tuesday 6th November 2018

#### **GOVERNMENT TO REVIVE 1988 COLLAPSED 2B HOUSING PROJECT IN WOTE**

The national government will soon revive a Sh2 billion housing project in Wote town, an official has said. <u>Read</u> <u>More.</u>

## 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018

#### Daily Nation | David Muchui | Wednesday 7th November 2018

#### IRKED BY LAND GRABBING, MCA DEMANDS MERU STATUS REPORT

A member of the Meru County Assembly wants the executive to publicise the state of all public land in Meru town to expose the extent of land grabbing. <u>Read More.</u>

## Daily Nation | Collins Omulo | Wednesday 7th November 2018

#### DEMOLITIONS TO RESUME IN NAIROBI AFTER A LULL

When demolitions of structures erected on riparian land in Nairobi began on August 6, it caught the affected property owners unawares as their multi-billion-shilling developments were flattened. <u>Read More.</u>

#### Business Daily | Constant Munda | Wednesday 7th November 2018

#### CENTUM'S REAL ESTATE PORTFOLIO LIFTS CREDIT RATING BY SA AGENCY

South Africa's Global Credit Ratings (GCR) has affirmed Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE)-listed Centum Investments Company Plc's ability to timely meet financial obligations, backing the firm's diversified portfolio across the sectors to support growth. <u>Read More.</u>

#### Business Daily | Maureen Kakah | Wednesday 7th November 2018

#### EACC HAS 72 HOURS TO RETURN KIDERO'S PROPERTY

The Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) Tuesday suffered a setback after the High Court ordered it to release seized properties belonging to former Nairobi governor Evans Kidero, within the next 72 hours. <u>Read More</u>.

## Business Daily | James Kariuki | Wednesday 7th November 2018

#### **CHURCH PLANS 30 FLOOR MERU TOWER**

Meru County could soon host one of the country's tallest buildings after Jesus House of Praise International church launched plans to build a 30-floor commercial property. <u>Read More</u>.

## Business Daily | James Wangui | Wednesday 7th November 2018

#### LAWYER DENIED SH1.4M FROM JANE KIANO'S PROPERTY ROW

A lawyer has lost a case in which he was demanding Sh1.4 million from the late chairlady of Maendeleo ya Wanawake Jane Kiano for legal services he offered in a Sh30 million property dispute. <u>Read More</u>.

## Business Daily | Galgallo Fayo and David Mwere | Wednesday 7th November 2018

## KIDERO CLAIMS EACC TARGETING TOM MBOYA'S ASSETS IN PROBE

Former Nairobi Governor Evans Kidero has accused the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) of targeting the late Tom Mboya's assets for seizure as part of the ongoing corruption investigation against him. <u>Read More</u>.

## The Standard | Geoffrey Mosoku | Wednesday 7th November 2018

## UHURU'S LOW-COST HOUSING: RUDE SHOCK FOR WORKERS, EMPLOYERS

Employers who will not register with the Government or refuse to make contributions to President Uhuru Kenyatta's dream low-cost housing scheme will be sent to jail for two years. <u>Read More.</u>

## The Standard | Kamau Maichuhie | Wednesday 7th November 2018

UNCERTAINTY OVER SH24BN KIAMBU DAM AS LOCALS HEAD TO COURT IN COMPENSATION ROW

The construction of the Sh24 billion Karemenu Dam in Gatundu North hangs in the balance after residents and the Government differed over land compensation. <u>Read More.</u>

## 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018

## Daily Nation | Kosta Kioleoglou | Thursday 8th November 2018

## **KENYA'S PROPERTY MARKET IS SITTING ON SINKING SAND**

Over the last decade, many Kenyans took their lifetime savings and invested in the real estate market. Whether through chamas or saccos, this move was due to the attractive promise of a safe and secure opportunity, even guaranteed in some cases, that the property market had to offer. <u>Read More.</u>

## Daily Nation | Eric Wainaina | Thursday 8th November 2018

## CONSTRUCTION BOOMS IN MACHAKOS AFTER COMPLETION OF KANGUNDO ROAD

For a long time, while other areas in the outskirts of Nairobi continued to experience unprecedented growth, Ruai, Joska, Kamulu and other areas along Kangundo Road had remained stagnated, thanks to lack of infrastructure which was discouraging investors. <u>Read More.</u>

## Daily Nation | Eric Wainaina | Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018

## **GRABBERS IGNORE ORDER TO LEAVE LAND**

A former Member of Parliament and a lawyer are among people said to have grabbed land meant for public use and who have refused to vacate despite the National Land Commission (NLC) revoking title deeds in their possession. <u>Read More.</u>

## Business Daily | Ndung'u Gachane | Thursday 8th November 2018

## **RESIDENTS PUSH FOR COMPETITIVE BIDS OF DEL MONTE LAND**

Two Murang'a County residents are seeking a court order for competitive bidding of the land leased to fruit processing company Del Monte in Murang'a County when the lease term comes up for renewal. <u>Read More.</u>

## Business Daily | Washe Kazungu | Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018

## LETTERS: GUIDE COUNTIES ON DOCUMENTING COMMUNITY LAND

Kenya passed the Community Land Act in August 2016, a law intended to guide how land that is communally owned will be managed and administered. <u>Read More.</u>

## The Standard | Ferdinand Mwongela | Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018

**GATED COMMUNITY PROJECT NEAR JKIA BREAKS GROUND EXPANDING OPTIONS FOR HOME SEEKERS** An upcoming Sh1.2 billion gated community in Katani area near the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA) has broken ground. <u>Read More.</u>

## 9<sup>th</sup> November 2018

## Daily Nation | George Sayagie | Friday 9th November 2018

#### STATE ISSUES 17,000 TITLE DEEDS TO NAROK RESIDENTS

The Jubilee administration has issued 17, 000 title deeds in Narok County since it took over power in 2013, Lands Cabinet Secretary Farida Karoney has revealed. <u>Read more.</u>

## The Standard | Reuters | Friday 9th November 2018

#### DANGOTE CEMENT APPROACHED ABOUT KENYA'S ARM CEMENT

ABUJA - Dangote Cement has been approached about a potential transaction by advisers to debt-laden ARM Cement, which went into administration in August, a source with direct knowledge of the matter told Reuters. <u>Read more.</u>

#### The Standard | Patrick Kibet | Friday 9th November 2018

#### COURT ORDERS KETRACO TO PAY SH7.5 MILLION TO FOUR LANDOWNERS IN SAMBURU

A court has ordered a firm that operates electricity transmission infrastructure to pay four landowners Sh7.6 million. <u>Read more.</u>

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