

# KPDA Media Weekly Review Report as at 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019



# CEO DE-BRIEF

## INVITATION TO KPDA MEMBERS TO THE SCAK STATE OF PLAY OF KENYAN RETAIL EVENT, WEDNESDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019

The Shopping Centres Association of Kenya (SCAK) will be holding its March monthly forum '*The State of Play of the Kenya Retail Industry*' - The CEO Conversation Series, with Ben Woodhams, Managing Director of Knight Frank Kenya.

Ben will discuss the challenging headwinds affecting the industry, asking pertinent questions to drive an understanding of the Kenyan shopper, analysing the current retail landscape, with its challenges and opportunities and presenting the role landlords can play to facilitate growth and sustainability of modern retail across Kenya, whilst drawing on learning from other economies.

**KPDA Members will receive a special discount of Kshs. 2, 000 per person.**

**FOR BOOKING, KINDLY CONTACT EVA ON 0703 282 216**

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**CEO Conversation Series**

## The State of Play of the Kenyan Retail Industry

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:  
**Ben Woodhams, MD, Knight Frank Kenya**

With over twenty years' experience in real estate consultancy, Ben will discuss the challenging headwinds affecting the industry, asking pertinent questions to drive an understanding of the Kenyan shopper, analysing the current retail landscape, with its challenges and opportunities, and presenting the role landlords can play to facilitate growth and sustainability of modern retail across Kenya, whilst drawing on learnings from other economies.

DATE: WED 20TH MARCH 2019

TIME: 6.30PM - 8PM

VENUE: THE COURTYARD AT

THE JUNCTION MALL

CHARGES: MEMBERS: FREE

NON MEMBERS: KES 3000

### Event Highlights;

1. Analysis of the current retail market data for Kenya
2. The Kenyan shopper and conversion rates into shopping centres
3. The impact of disposable income disparity across economic classes
4. Comparison of retail densities across countries, including Dubai and South Africa.
5. Breakdown of the role of landlords to facilitate growth of modern retail

To book your place, visit [www.scak.co.ke/events](http://www.scak.co.ke/events), email [info@scak.co.ke](mailto:info@scak.co.ke) or call 0703 282 216

## KPDA MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Please join us in welcoming **Soma Properties Ltd** who are **Corporate Members** (<https://saritcentre.com/>) And **Popote Payments** who are **Associate Members** (<https://popotepayments.co.ke/>)



**Soma Properties Ltd**

**Popote Payments Ltd**

### 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**Daily Nation | Collins Omulo | Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

#### **VISIT DISPUTED MAU LAND BEFORE WRITING REPORT, TASKFORCE TOLD**

A group has urged a taskforce appointed to implement a decision of the African Court on the Ogiek community's land rights in Mau Forest to visit the contested parcels of land before preparing a final report. [Read More.](#)

**The Standard | Steve Mbego | Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

#### **SHELTER AFRIQUE ROOTS FOR SOCIAL HOUSING TO BOOST EQUITY IN PROVISION OF HOUSING**

Government's housing programmes might leave out a majority of Kenyans because of the issue of affordability, Pan-African housing development financier, Shelter Afrique has said. [Read More.](#)

**The Standard | Standard Reporter | Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

#### **KENYA TO HOST MAJOR EXPO IN AN EVENT HIGHLIGHTING INVESTMENT POTENTIAL**

Kenya is set to host a big delegation from March 19-22 for an expo at the Kenyatta International Convention Centre, Nairobi. [Read More.](#)

### 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**Daily Nation | Wachira Mwangi and Diana Mutheu | Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

#### **LAND MINISTRY TO DIGITISE ALL RECORDS IN 66 REGISTRIES BY 2020**

The first phase of the digitisation of land records in Kenya will be complete by the end of 2020, Land Cabinet Secretary Farida Karoney has said. [Read More.](#)

**Business Daily | Alex Njeru | Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

#### **KFS TELLS OFF LAND COMMISSION OVER ORDER TO HIVE OFF FOREST TO SQUATTERS**

Kenya Forest Service (KFS) has said that it is not ready to surrender any piece of forest land to squatters as ordered by National Land Commission in a gazette notice dated March 1. [Read More.](#)



**Business Daily | Gitonga Marete | Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**SQUATTERS SEEK QUICK RESETTLEMENT AFTER ANGAINE LAND RULING**

Residents of Ontulili in Timau, Meru County, want the Government to move with speed and survey 2,400 acres of land claimed by the late Jackson Angaine's family after the National Land Commission (NLC) ruled it is their property. [Read More.](#)

**Business Daily | Justus Ochieng' | Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**NLC STEPS IN TO END YALA SWAMP, DOMINION FARMS ROW**

Yala Swamp communities in Siaya County have a reason to smile after winning a protracted land battle against the giant Dominion Farms Ltd. [Read More.](#)

**Business Daily | Constant Munda | Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**COUNTIES TO GET ADDITIONAL CASH FOR BIG FOUR AGENDA**

Governors will from July next year get additional cash on top of the normal allocations from the Treasury in a new plan aimed at fast-tracking implementation of President Uhuru Kenyatta's "Big Four Agenda". [Read More.](#)

**The Standard | James Wanzala | Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**REPORT: KENYA'S SUPER-RICH BUY NEW HOMES AS MARKET SOFTENS**

The Kenya's super-rich are buying more luxury homes in the country, The Wealth Report 2019 released on Wednesday documents. [Read More.](#)

**6<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**Daily Nation | Galgallo Fayo | Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**UCHUMI WINS BATTLE WITH UBA FOR SH2.8BN LAND CASH**

Uchumi Supermarkets revival efforts got a shot in the arm after the High Court dismissed an application by UBA Bank seeking a priority share from the anticipated Sh2.8 billion sale of the retail chain's prime land in Kasarani. [Read More.](#)

**Daily Nation | Samwel Owino | Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**MPS SUSPEND DAM PROJECTS OVER CORRUPTION**

The government yesterday suffered a major setback in its bid to build 24 dams across the country after Parliament ordered the projects stopped until due diligence is done on their viability and how land owners will be compensated. [Read More.](#)

**Daily Nation | Titus Ominde | Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**BUSINESSMAN SEEKS SH7BN FROM NICHOLAS BIWOTT'S ESTATE**

A businessman based in Eldoret is seeking close to Sh7 billion from the estate of former powerful Cabinet minister Nicholas Biwott which he claims he loaned him between November 2015 and September 2016. [Read More.](#)

**Daily Nation | George Sayagie | Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**COURT STOPS NLC FROM REVOKING OLOOLOLO GAME RANCH TITLE**

The High Court has barred the National Land Commission from cancelling a title deed of a disputed 26, 100-hectare ranch in Maasai Mara, Narok County. [Read More.](#)

**Business Daily | Doreen Wainainah | Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**MIDDLE CLASS SET TO GAIN FROM SH12BN ACTIS HOMES PLAN**

London-based private equity company Actis has partnered with Indian firm Shapoorji Pallonji Real Estate to develop middle-income housing in Kenya. [Read More.](#)

## 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Daily Nation | Fadhili Fredrick | Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### VILLAGERS YET TO BE PAID FOR DONGO KUNDU BYPASS LAND

Scores of villagers in Matuga Constituency who were displaced by the construction of the [Dongo Kundu bypass](#) are yet to be paid. [Read More.](#)

Daily Nation | John Kamau | Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### ITALIAN FIRM IN DAMS SCANDAL ABANDONS PROJECT IN NEPAL

The Italian firm at the centre of a raging controversy over two dams in Elgeyo-Marakwet County is fighting a legal battle in Nepal after it abandoned a project last December, casting further doubt on its ability to undertake the works in Kenya. [Read More.](#)

Daily Nation | Brian Okinda | Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### DCI TO GRILL ROTICH AGAIN ON ARROR, KIMWARER DAM SCANDALS

Treasury minister Henry Rotich finally left the Directorate of Criminal Investigations on Tuesday night, after about 12 hours of interrogation on the Sh21 billion Arror and Kimwarer dam scandals. [Read More.](#)

The Standard | Steve Mbego | Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### SH12 BILLION JOINT VENTURE TO DEVELOP AFFORDABLE AND MIDDLE-INCOME HOUSING IN AFRICA

Actis, a leading growth markets investor and Shapoorji Pallonji Real Estate (SPRE), the real estate arm of one of India's largest conglomerates, are set to launch a new real estate joint-venture platform to meet the demand for affordable and middle-income housing in the sub-Saharan African region, starting with Kenya. [Read More.](#)

The Standard | Reuters | Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### PMI: KENYA'S PRIVATE SECTOR ACTIVITY SLOWS TO 15-MONTH LOW IN FEBRUARY

Kenya's private sector activity fell in February to its lowest level in 15 months, hurt by slowing consumer demand and growth in output, a survey showed on Tuesday. [Read More.](#)

## 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Business Daily | Brian Ngugi | Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### FRENCH FIRMS TO CLINCH SH180BN MAU ROAD JOB

Two French firms are battling it out for a lucrative highway contract estimated at Sh180 billion whose winner will be announced soon. [Read more.](#)

Business Daily | Galgallo Fayo | Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### STIMA INVESTMENT SACCO BOARD OUSTED IN SH500M LAND FRAUD PROBE

The Commissioner of Co-operatives has removed from office the entire board of the giant Stima Investment Co-operative Sacco after a forensic audit revealed massive fraud at the society, which has exposed members to losses exceeding half-a-billion shillings. [Read more.](#)

Business Daily | James Kariuki | Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### HF SLASHES PRICES OF 700 HOUSES BY A THIRD

Listed real estate developer-cum-lender HF Group Monday announced a 30 percent discount on 700 houses. The move reflects the tough going in the market. [Read more.](#)

## 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019

Business Daily | Siago Cece and Winnie Atieno | Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019

### REAL ESTATE FIRMS MOVE TO KILIFI DUE TO AFFORDABLE LAND

Investors and real estate developers are trooping to Kilifi County to buy and construct houses. [Read more.](#)

**Business Daily | John Mutua | Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019**

**CITY HALL TO REPLACE OLD BUNGALOWS WITH HIGH-RISE BUILDINGS**

City Hall has received a crucial backing in its bid to demolish old bungalows and replace them with high-rise apartments as it seeks to provide cheap and affordable houses to residents. [Read more.](#)

**Business Daily | Eric Wainaina | Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019**

**BETTER SECURITY LURES PROPERTY DEVELOPERS TO AREA ONCE SHUNNED**

Along the Kiambu-Ruiru Road, less than three kilometres from Kamiti Corner, stands an old and vandalised bungalow that is surrounded by unkempt bush. [Read more.](#)

**Business Daily | Stanley Ngotho | Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019**

**SH700M NGONG MARKET UPGRADE SET TO START**

The construction of a new World Bank financed Sh700 million market in Ngong Town is set to finally take off after a deal was reached to move more than 2,000 traders from the site following a prolonged standoff over their fate. [Read more.](#)

**Business Daily | Tom Matoke | Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019**

**NANDI STEPS UP PUSH TO APPROVE TEA ESTATES LEASE RENEWAL**

Nandi Governor Stephen Sang has stepped up his bid to have a say on acres of land owned by multinational tea estates saying new leases would not be issued without the county's approval. [Read more.](#)

**Business Daily | Edwin Mutai | Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019**

**LANDS MINISTRY ON THE SPOT FOR UNPAID SH1BN LEGAL FEES, COURT AWARDS**

The Ministry of Lands is on the spot for failing to pay individuals and law firms more than Sh1 billion in legal fees and compensation arising from cases determined against the department. [Read more.](#)

**Business Daily | Ivy Nyayieka | Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019**

**KENYA IS A 'COMPLEX' MARKET FOR FOREIGN FIRMS - STUDY**

A new index has categorised Kenya as a complex market for foreign firms looking to invest and establish a presence in the country. [Read more.](#)

**Business Daily | Abraham Samoei | Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019**

**LETTERS: PICK NEXT LAND COMMISSION CHIEFS CAREFULLY**

One of the key commissions formed under the 2010 Constitution was the National Land Commission (NLC), looking at the thirst for land reforms in Kenya. [Read more.](#)

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