



ERA PARTICIPATES IN THE FUTURE ENERGY UGANDA CONFERENCE



Delegates including the 2nd Deputy Prime Minister, Hon. Kirunda Kivejinja, Hon. Minister for Energy and Mineral Development, Eng. Irene Muloni, State Minister for Energy, Hon. Simon D'Ujanga and ERA CEO, Eng. Ziria Tibalwa Waako after the Conference.

Between 13th and 14th September 2017, Electricity Regulatory Authority participated in the “**Future Energy Uganda Conference**”, held at Kampala Serena Hotel. The Conference was organized to provide a platform to Electricity Supply Industry Stakeholders, to discuss issues in respect to the development of the Electricity Sector.

In a speech delivered on his behalf by the 2nd Deputy Prime Minister, Hon. Alhaji Kirunda Kivejinja, at the opening of the conference, the Right Honorable Prime Minister, Hon. Ruhakana Rugunda, noted that Government is to ensure adequate

and reliable power supply, as well as universal access to modern energy, to support industrialization and economic growth.

The Minister of Energy and Mineral Development, Hon. Eng. Irene Muloni while addressing delegates noted that all Ugandans will have access to clean energy by 2030, adding that renewable energy resources will be utilized to cater for Uganda's energy needs.

The ERA CEO, Eng. Ziria Tibalwa Waako who was one of the Speakers at the conference noted that, Government is working on several initiatives to ensure that the poorest of the poor can comfortably access and afford electricity. She added that there are a lot of investment opportunities in the Energy Sector, that Investors are welcome to help close the gap in respect to electricity access. The conference was attended by delegates from within and outside Africa.

ERA CEO ADVISES ZURA ON UTILITY REGULATION

The Chief Executive Officer of Electricity Regulatory Authority, Eng. Ziria Tibalwa Waako advised officials of Zanzibar Utility Regulatory Authority (ZURA), on how to create a good Regulatory Environment, to ensure efficiency and effectiveness in the service delivery of Zanzibar utility sector.

Eng. Ziria advised ZURA officials during the launch of the ZURA 5 Year Strategic Plan in Zanzibar where she made a presentation on the evolution and growth of Uganda's Electricity Supply Industry, spearheaded by Electricity Regulatory Authority.

In the presentation, Eng. Ziria highlighted the overview of Uganda's Electricity Supply Industry, the enactment of the Electricity Act, 1999, that saw the disbandment of Uganda Electricity Board, and the creation of ERA, Uganda Electricity Generation Company Limited, Uganda Electricity Transmission Company Limited, Uganda Electricity Distribution Company Limited, and the Electricity Dispute Tribunal, all aimed at creating efficiency in service delivery, in Uganda's Electricity Supply Industry.



ERA CEO, Eng. Ziria Tibalwa Waako (2nd Left-front row) at the launch of ZURA 5 YEAR Strategic Plan in Zanzibar.

ZURA Officials appreciated the advice by Eng. Ziria, noting that they would want to benchmark ERA to further grasp how ERA managed to transform Uganda's Electricity Supply Industry from inefficiency to efficiency. Eng. Ziria was in Zanzibar between 19th and 22nd September 2017.

STAKEHOLDERS APPLAUD ERA AT THE 2017 ENERGY WEEK



The Minister of State for Energy, Hon. Simon D'Ujanga at the ERA stall.

Stakeholders who attended the 2017 Energy Week at Lugogo KCCA Grounds, applauded ERA for the commitment towards transforming Uganda's Electricity Supply Industry (ESI), to efficiency.

ERA participated in the 2017 Energy Week, which took place between 11th and 16th September 2017. Stakeholders who visited the ERA stall narrated that before 2000, the ESI was characterized by unreliable electricity supply, corruption and low access to electricity. They noted that since the liberalization of the ESI, which saw the creation of ERA, Uganda's ESI performance greatly improved, with increased access to electricity and reliable electricity supply.

ERA interacted with stakeholders and received feedback on ERA services and Licensees. Stakeholders requested for setting up of ERA Regional offices.

The 2017 Energy Week was opened by the State Minister for Energy, Hon. Simon D'Ujanga, who urged electricity consumers to embrace energy efficiency technologies, as a way of increasing sustainable energy use for development.

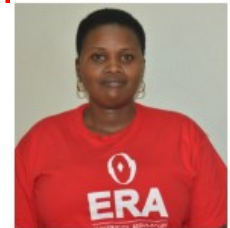
The 2017 Energy week was organized by the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development with an aim of creating awareness of the general public on efficient utilization of energy.

COURT CONVICTS WIREMAN OF ILLEGAL ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

On 21st September 2017, the Standards, Utility and Wildlife Court (Electricity Court), convicted Tumuhimbise Christopher for carrying out electrical installation works on the premises of NDEGE Benon, located along Busabala Road, Makindye Division, without a valid permit issued by ERA. Tumuhimbise was convicted following his apprehension by the Criminal Investigations Directorate officers attached to ERA.

Tumuhimbise Christopher, was presented before Grade One Magistrate; Marion Mangeni of the Standards, Utilities and Wildlife Court on Buganda Road and pleaded guilty. According to Magistrate Marion Mangeni, Tumuhimbise is to pay a fine of UGX.400,000.

ERA has always urged all wiremen carrying out electrical installations to apply for permits and get certified, to allow them do work legally and professionally, to avoid electrical accidents caused by poor wiring, done by unprofessional and uncertified wiremen.



Ms. Charlotte Kyohairwe-ERA Legal Officer.

During the Court Session, ERA was represented by the Legal Officer, Charlotte Kyohairwe.

ERA PARTICIPATES IN URA TAX APPRECIATION WEEK



ERA's Principal Stakeholder Engagement Officer, Clare Mugumya interacting with Stakeholders at Kololo Airstrip.

Between 27th and 29th September 2017, ERA participated in the Uganda Revenue Authority Tax Payers' Appreciation Week, where different organizations showcased their services to the public. The event was held at Kololo Airstrip.

The theme of the URA Tax Appreciation Week was: **"Appreciating Uganda's Taxpayer; The Link between Public Accountability and Tax Compliance"**.

ERA staff interacted and disseminated information in respect to ERA's mandate and other services to electricity consumers and all stakeholders.

The major aim of the URA Tax Appreciation Week was to inform the public about how collected revenue is expended and engage in constructive discussions with different stakeholders in respect to taxation.

THE NEW ERA STAFF MEMBERS

Electricity Regulatory Authority CEO, Eng. Ziria Tibalwa Waako and Staff welcomed new members to the ERA family.

In her welcoming remarks, the CEO, told the new staff that ERA is a good employer that provides what is required to an employee to perform to the best of his or her abilities.

The CEO noted that ERA staff are welcoming, supportive and good people to work with, confirming that the new staff will settle into their jobs fast and well.

The CEO Congratulated the new staff upon joining the winning ERA family.



R-L: *Mr. Daniel Muttu Obol - Financial Analyst, Dr. Richard Okou-Director Technical Regulation, Mr. Bunjo Josiah - Graduate Trainee, Mr. Rogers Abigaba - Financial Analyst and Mr. Christopher Okello - Transport Facilitator as they were being introduced to the ERA Family.*

Congratulations!!

REGIONAL NEWS

EAST AFRICA ELECTRICITY International Electricity & Power Trade Exhibition



Exhibitors during last years exhibition in Nairobi.

An International Electricity & Power Expo has been organized between the 24th to 26th November 2017. The exhibition will be held at Sarit Expo Centre, Nairobi, Kenya.

The expo is intended to provide a unique opportunity to stakeholders in the East African Electricity Supply Industry to showcase their contributions in their respective electricity sectors on how they are transforming their sectors to efficiency.

The exhibition is to attract exhibitors from over 15 countries including; Tanzania, South Africa, Congo, South Sudan, Uganda, Rwanda, Botswana, Nigeria, Mali, Ethiopia, India, Egypt, UK, Germany among other countries.

Source: http://www.mxmexhibitions.com/kenya_electricity/

POWER FACTS

The largest wind farm in the World "**GANSU WIND FARM**" is located in China, with a power generation capacity of 6,000 MW. The Farm is expected to produce 20,000 MW by 2020.



The GANSU WIND FARM located in China.

WORDS OF WISDOM



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ERA A CONSUMER AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS PUBLICATION

Sustainable Electricity Supply