



1st National Career Conference and Exhibition 2026

Theme: Informed Career Choices: A Skilled and Competitive Workforce

27th – 29th January 2026

Kenyatta International Convention Centre (KICC)
Nairobi

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PROGRAMME

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY AND MODERATOR/SPEAKER
DAY 1: BOOTH ALLOCATION AND SET-UP		
Monday 26/01/2026	8:30 am - 5:00 pm	Arrival and Registration of Exhibitors Booth Allocation and Set-Up
DAY 2: OFFICIAL OPENING, CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITIONS		
Tuesday 27/01/2026	8:30 am - 5:00 pm	Exhibitions
	8:30 am- 10:30 am	Arrival, Registration and Breakfast Exhibition Tour by Chief Guest
	10:30 am - 11:00 am	Health Break
	11:00 am - 1:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcoming Remarks: CPA CS James Mwaura, Chief Executive Officer, KICC (Host) Opening Remarks: Dr. Agnes Mercy Wahome, Chief Executive Officer, KUCCPS Remarks: Cyrus Gituui, OGW, EBS, CBS, Chairperson of the Placement Board Remarks: Dr. Beatrice Inyangala, Principal Secretary, State Department for Higher Education Key Note Address: Mr Julius Ogamba, EBS, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Education, Chief Guest
	1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Lunch and Networking Session
	2:00 pm - 3:30 pm	<p>Panel Discussion: Tertiary Education in Kenya: Trends, Milestones and Opportunities</p> <p>Panelists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Agnes Mercy Wahome, Chief Executive Officer, KUCCPS Prof. Daniel Mugendi, Chairman, Vice-Chancellors' Committee, Public Universities Mr. Timothy Nyongesa, Ag. Chief Executive Officer, Technical and Vocational Education and Training Authority (TVETA) Dr. Carol Hunja, Secretary, Higher Education, State Department for Higher Education Prof. Mike Kuria, Chief Executive Officer/Secretary, Commission for University Education (CUE)
	3:30 pm - 4:00 pm	<p>Conference Speeches/Presentations</p> <p>Topic: Sports and Tourism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speaker: Mr. Joel Kemei Chairman, Tinderet Mountain Run <p>Topic: Insurance and Career Pathways</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speaker: Mr. Chris Oseido, Chief Executive Officer, Clarkson Insurance Brokers

DAY 3: CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITIONS

Wednesday 28/01/2026	8:30 am	Registration and Opening Prayers Acknowledgment of Sponsors/Guests
	8:30 am - 5:00 pm	Daylong Exhibitions
	8:30 am - 9:30 am	Reflections on Competency Based Education Training (CBET) by Dr. Felix Mung'atu , Kenya Association of Technical Training Institutions (KATTI)
	9:30 am - 10:30 am	Keynote Presentation: Career Guidance and Student Placement: 2026/2027 Cycle Updates Speaker: <i>Prof. John Oluoch, Director, Placement Coordination and Career Development, KUCCPS</i>
	10:00 am - 10:30 am	Q&A
	10:30 am- 11:00 am	Health Break
	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	<p>Conference Speeches/Presentations</p> <p>Topic: Trends and Opportunities in Higher Education Student Financing • Speaker: <i>Mr. Geoffrey Monari, Chief Executive Officer, Higher Education Loans Board (HELB)</i></p> <p>Topic: Scholarships and Government Sponsorships • Speaker: <i>Dr. Edwin Wanyonyi, Chief Executive Officer, Universities Fund (UF)</i></p> <p>Topic: TVET and Skills Development • Speaker: <i>Timothy Nyongesa Katiambo, Director-General, TVETA</i></p> <p>Topic: Competency Based Education (CBE) Transition • Speaker: <i>Prof. Charles Ong'ondo, Chief Executive Officer, Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development (KICD)</i></p>
	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	<p>Conference Speeches/Presentations</p> <p>Topic: Why Professional Certification Matters: Aligning Education, Employability, and Industry Standards. • Speaker: <i>FCPA Prof. Nicholas K. Letting' PhD, EBS, HSC., Chief Executive Officer, KASNEB</i></p>
		<p>Topic: Aligning Education and Training to the Labour Market • Speaker: <i>Prof. Joachim Osur, Vice-Chancellor, Amref University</i></p>
		<p>Topic: Aligning Education and Training to the Labour Market • Speaker: <i>Prof. Mary Wambui Ndung'u, Vice-Chancellor, Kirinyaga University</i></p>

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm	<p>Conference Speeches/Presentations</p> <p>Topic: Aligning Education and Training to the Labour Market</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Speaker: Prof. Linus Muthuri Gitonga, (PhD MSc BEd Sc. Hons), Vice-Chancellor, Karatina University
	<p>Panel Discussion 1: Competency Based Education and Employability: Are we Aligned?</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development · Kenya Private Sector Alliance (KEPSA) · Kenya Universities and Colleges Central Placement Service <p>Panel Discussion 2: Emerging Technology, Career Guidance and the Future of Work</p> <p>Panelists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Kenya Universities and Colleges Central Placement Service · Representatives of Technology Companies · Tech Scholars
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	<p>Research Presentation</p> <p>Topic: Emerging Issues in Placement and Career Guidance: Latest Research Findings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Presenters: Dr. Victoria Gioto, Deputy Director, Research and Knowledge Management, KUCCPS

DAY 4: CONFERENCE, EXHIBITIONS AND CLOSING CEREMONY

Thursday 29/01/2026	8:30 am – 9:00am	Registration and Opening Prayers Acknowledgment of Sponsors/Guests
	8:30 am - 5:00 pm	Daylong Exhibitions
	9:00 am - 10:30 am	Interactive Session: What Next After KCSE? · Moderator: Prof. John Oluoch, Director, Placement Coordination and Career Development, KUCCPS
	10:30 am - 11:00 am	Health Break
	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Presentation by KUCCPS: Navigating KUCCPS Placement Application System
	12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Q&A Session
	1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Lunch and Networking
	2:00 pm - 3:30 pm	Career Guidance Sessions
	3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Closing Ceremony Way Forward: Prof. John Oluoch, KUCCPS Vote of Thanks: CPA Christine Mwaka, Director, Corporate Services, KUCCPS Closing Prayer and National Anthem: MC



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