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WATERFUND PARTICIPATES IN THE 9TH AFRICITIES SUMMIT IN KISUMU COUNTY

H.E. Uhuru Kenyatta, the President of the Republic of Kenya, presided over the 9th Africities Summit which took place in Kisumu County from 17th – 21st May 2022. Africities is a Pan African conference that is convened by the United Cities and Local Governments of Africa (UCLG-A) and that brings together the leadership of cities and subnational governments and their associations for the advancement of decentralization and local governments with the aim of improving the living standards inclusive cities and sustainable development.

Kenya is a good case, having adopted a constitutional dispensation that advances devolved government and decentralized local urban governance. Furthermore, the summit agenda aligned well with the Kenya Vision 2030, where intermediary cities are integral in transforming Kenya into an industrialized upper middle-income economy offering a high quality of life to all its citizens by 2030. The theme of the summit was "The Role of Intermediary Cities of Africa in the Implementation of Agenda 2030 of the United Nations and the Africa Union Agenda 2063."

WaterFund's Participation

Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund) received an invitation from the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation (MWSI) to participate in the 9th Africities Summit. In this regard, WaterFund sponsored representatives of the Board of Trustees (BoT) and staff members to participate in this event as conference delegates. In addition, an exhibition booth was set up in a bid to showcase WaterFund mandate and activities that gear towards urban cities and devolution. The exhibition booth, which attracted delegates during the summit, was decked with WaterFund's corporate colours, display of our various brochures, publications and success stories through showcased documentaries.

It was key to note that several high-level dignitaries visited WaterFund's exhibition booth and were received by the Ag. CEO, Mr. Willis Ombai. They included: Hon. Eugene Wamalwa, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Devolution; H.E. Dr. Owili Ochieng, Deputy Governor, County Government of Kisumu; H.E. Dorothy Nyong'o, First Lady, County Government of Kisumu; Mr. Elisha Oraro, Speaker, County Government of Kisumu; and Eng. Samuel Oruma, CEO, Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency.



H.E. The President, Uhuru Kenyatta, giving his remarks at the opening plenary



Hon. Eugene Wamalwa, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Devolution, giving his remarks at the opening plenary



Members of the public listening in during the opening session



Hon. Eugene Wamalwa, CS, Ministry of Devolution, visits the WaterFund exhibition booth



H.E. Dr. Owili Ochieng (right), Deputy Governor, and Mr. Elisha Oraro (center), Speaker from County Government of Kisumu signing the visitor's book at the WaterFund exhibition booth



Kisumu County Delegation at the WaterFund exhibition booth with the WaterFund Ag. CEO, Mr. Willis Ombai



H.E. Dorothy Nyongo (centre), First Lady of Kisumu County at the WaterFund exhibition booth



From left Mr. Chrisologus Makhoha, BoT WaterFund, H.E. Dorothy Nyong'o, First Lady Kisumu County and Mr. Daniel Mutua, BoT WaterFund at the WaterFund exhibition booth



Mr. Willis Ombai, Ag. CEO, WaterFund together with Eng. Samuel Oruma, CEO, CRVWWDA







Members of the public at the WaterFund Stand

BLAST FROM THE PAST: FEATURED IN SITREP #179 – A DELEGATION FROM EU AND DANIDA INSPECT WATERFUND PROJECTS

The WaterFund's Situation Report No. 179 (SITREP #179) covered the period **17th to 21st September 2018.** Among the highlights was that Water Sector Trust Fund hosted the European Union (EU) and Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA) during the Results oriented monitoring mission for EU-SHARE projects in Isiolo and Marsabit Counties.

The projects visited included Funan Qumbi, Huka Adhi, Qubi Qallo, Ngalabilabia, Ngaremara and WAMA WRUA Water and Sanitation projects. The purpose of the mission was to conduct a result-oriented monitoring on EU funded projects and reflect on the implementation of the EU and DANIDA funded projects.



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