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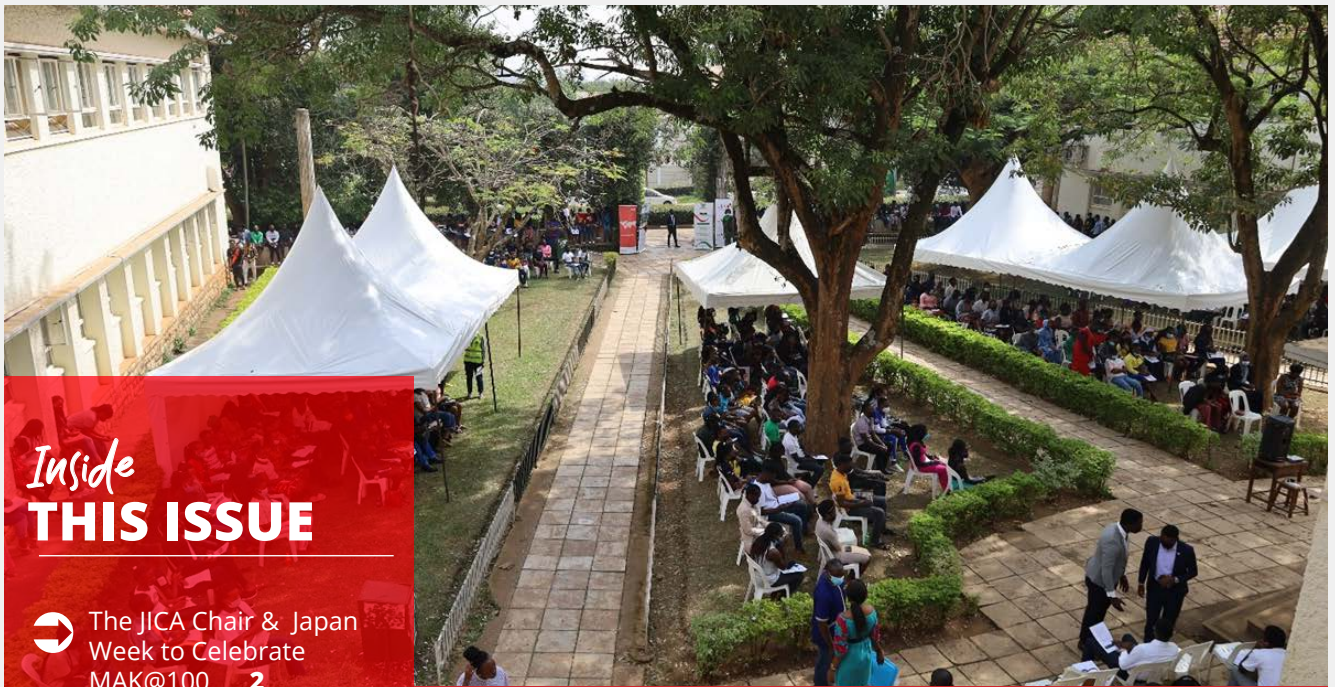


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Dear staff, students and partners,

Regardless of the disruptions caused by the COVID-19 Pandemic, the start of the year 2022 has been fruitful for the CHUSS. We have made tangible progress towards the achievement of our goals and hosted a number of activities to commemorate the 100 years of Makerere University service to humanity. On behalf of the management CHUSS, we thank you all for your participation and contribution towards this success and request you to keep the momentum to achieve more this year 2022. Happy New year.



Josephine Ahikire, Principal

## THE JICA CHAIR & JAPAN WEEK TO CELEBRATE MAK @100



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***Learning from Japan's unique Experience of Development"***

The college together with the Embassy of Japan and JICA held the JICA Chair and Japan week (22nd-25th March 2022) as part of the activities to celebrate the 100 years of Makerere University's service to humanity. The four days event held under the theme, "Learning from Japan's unique Experience of Development", was officially opened by the Ambassador of Japan to Uganda H.E Fukuzawa Hidemoto at the Auditorium in the Central Teaching Facility 2 at Makerere university.

The weeklong celebration to symbolize the friendship between Uganda and Japan was graced by the Senior Representative Japan Internal Cooperation Agency, Uganda Mr. Fukuhara Ichiro, Makerere

university Vice Chancellor Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe the Principal CHUSS Associate Prof. Josephine Ahikire, the Dean School of Liberal and Performing Arts and Film and the Head Department of History, Archeology and Heritage Studies Dr. Charlotte Karungi Mafumbo.

The celebration featured a number of activities aimed at creating a deeper understanding of Japanese culture and strengthening collaboration between Uganda and Japan. DVDs and books were donated to Makerere university. Topics shared included the Japanese history, economy, arts and students' life in Japan.

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The key highlights are presented in the table below:

Date	Presenter	Title
Tuesday 22nd March, 2022	JICA Chair Special Lecture by Dr. Pressello Andrea, Associate Professor, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), Japan	Post-World War II Japanese Foreign Policy: Through the Lens of Japan's Diplomacy Towards South East Asia.
Wednesday 23rd March, 2022	H.E. Fukuzawa Hidemoto, Ambassador of Japan to Uganda.	Japanese Corporation in Post-war era and Economic Growth.
	Dr. Edgar Curtis Taylor, CHUSS, Makerere University and Mr. Nelson A. Abiti, Principal Conservator Museum Services/ Curator of Ethnography and History, Uganda National Museum	Archives, Museums and Public History in Uganda.
Thursday 24th March, 2022	Special Lecture by Dr. Charlotte Mafumbo, CHUSS, Makerere University	Uganda-Japan Bilateral Relations: A Special Focus on Higher Education Since 1962.
	Presentation by Mr. Ivan Muhame	Presence of JICA - Introduction of JICA's cooperation in Uganda.
		Study in Japan Opportunities Information Session
Friday 25th March, 2022	Special Lecture by Dr. Deo Katono and Dr. Zaid Sekito, CHUSS, Makerere University	The Place of Japan in the History Curriculum in Uganda.



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**Read more:** <https://chuss.mak.ac.ug/news/chuss-holds-japan-week-celebrate-mak-100>

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## JICA DONATES BOOKS TO MAKERERE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY



Fukuzawa Ichiro hands over books to Assoc. Prof. Josephine Ahikire

The Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) donated 43 Japanese books translated into English and 5 books entitled, "*Iwakura Embassy* (1871-1873)" covering modern and contemporary Japanese history on politics, diplomatic, business and economic features.

The purpose was to boost the reference materials in the university Library at the Japanese corner to enhance Japanese studies at Makerere university.

The books were handed over to Makerere university during the end of the JICA Chair and Japan week on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 ending the weeklong celebration organized by JICA and Japanese Embassy and CHUSS in commemoration of Makerere university 100 years of service to humanity.

The books were handed over by the Senior representative JICA Mr. Fukuhara Ichiro to the Principal Makerere University College of Humanities and Social Sciences Associate Prof.

Josephine Ahikire at a colourful ceremony held at the Auditorium in the CTF 2.

On the first day of the JICA Chair and Japan week, JICA donated 10 DVDS on the seven chapters of Japan modernization in order to promote Japanese studies at Makerere university.

Read more: <https://news.mak.ac.ug/2022/03/jica-donates-books-to-makerere-university-library/>

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# HISTORY STUDENT WINS THE JAPANESE 2022 MEXT SCHOLARSHIP



Wycliff Watama won a fully funded research scholarship to study at Hiroshima University in Japan. Watama won a scholarship of the Japan Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports Science and Technology (MEXT) scholarship 2022. He will be pursuing a Masters degree researching on the History of Uganda and Japan relations and how it has impacted the development of Uganda since World War II.

Watama holds a Bachelor of Arts in Education of Makerere

University and majored in History. He joined Makerere University in (2016-2019) and graduated in 2020 with a First-Class Honors Degree with a CGPA of 4.44.

Watama was one of the new beneficiaries that was speaking on the study opportunities in Japan during day 3 of the JICA Chair and Japan Week organized by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences to celebrate the 100 years of Makerere University's service to society.

The weeklong event running from (22-25th March 2022) was held under the theme, "Learning from Japan's unique experience of development-Developing Future leaders in Uganda" hosted at the Auditorium in the Central Teaching Facility 2.

*Details: <https://chuss.mak.ac.ug/news/mak-history-student-wins-japanese-2022-mext-scholarship>*

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# THE "ZADOK ADOLU- OTOJOKA MUSIC EXCELLENCE AWARD" INITIATED



Zadok Adolu -Otoja receiving the Mak portrait gift

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**Over 600 thousand shillings was collected in thanksgiving as seed to kick start the, "Zadok Adolu-Otojoka Music Excellence Award".**

Makerere University College of Humanities and Social Sciences (CHUSS) through the Department of Performing Arts initiated the establishment of "Zadok Adolu-Otojoka Music Excellence Award". This award will be given to the best performing students of music education and performance.

The initiative was disclosed by Dr. Milton wabyona while presenting a keynote and biography recital in honor of Prof. (Emeritus) Zadok Adolu- Otojoka as part of the activities to celebrate the 100 years of Makerere University's service to humanity.

Over 600 thousand shillings was collected in thanksgiving as seed to kick start the, "Zadok Adolu- Otojoka Music Excellence Award".

The function held on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 at St. Francis Chapel was graced by the Vice Chancellor represented by the Principal CHUSS Associate Prof. Josephine Ahikire, the Chaplain St Francis Chapel Rev. Onesmus Asiimwe, Makerere university staff and students, distinguished musicians and teachers, the alumni and the Zadok Adolu- Otojoka's family from Serere district.

Adolu-Otojoka was honored for his invaluable and monumental contribution to academia through musical arts presentations exploring through the 52-years of his professional music teaching with a view of learning and understanding the trends, as well as predicting the future of the music education discipline in Uganda.

*Details: <https://news.mak.ac.ug/2022/03/mak-initiates-the-zadok-adolu-otojoka-music-excellence-award/>*



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# ZADOK ADOLU-OTOJOKA HONORED FOR THE MAK@100 CELEBRATIONS



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***Zadok Adolu-Otojoka Biography Recital: Lessons from Half a Century of Music Teaching”.***

CHUSS through the Department of Performing Arts and Film spearhead by Milton Wabyona honored Zadok Adolu -Otojoka as part of the activities to Mark the Mak @100 celebrations. The college came up with an event, dubbed “ *Zadok Adolu-Otojoka Biography Recital: Lessons from Half a Century of Music Teaching*”.

This recital was held on March 31, 2022, at Makerere University, where Adolu-Otojoka was honored by the university faculty, students and alumni for his invaluable and monumental contribution to academia.

The honor was premised on the fact that the value of history in determining future outcomes is strongly implied in the notion that educators can only better prepare for the future with adequate knowledge of the past.

The Zadok Adolu-Otojoka Biography Recital is a musical arts presentation aimed at exploring through the 52-years of professional music teaching by Zadok Adolu-Otojoka, with a view to learning and understanding the trends, as well as predicting the future of the music education discipline in Uganda

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***At Makerere, he was particularly famous for his charismatic conducting of the university anthem and the mesmerizing leadership of the academic procession during graduation ceremonies.***

Zadok Adolu-Otojoka is one of the highly celebrated icons of music education and professional music performance in Uganda and East Africa. Educated in Uganda and in the United States, Adolu-Otojoka has taught music at all levels of the formal education pyramid in East Africa, with the most distinguished acclaim.

At the peak of his teaching career in Uganda, he served as Head of Department of Music, Dance and Drama (now Performing Arts and Film) at Makerere University in the mid- to late-1990s. At Makerere, he was particularly famous for his charismatic conducting of the university anthem and the mesmerizing leadership of the academic procession during graduation ceremonies.

Adolu-Otojoka is revered for his extra-ordinary talent in both

Western and African musical art forms and passion for the music profession, in which he excelled and mentored generations.

This biography recital is based on the article: “Zadok Adolu-Otojoka and Music Education in Uganda: An Oral History” by Milton Wabyona, published on January 27, 2022, in an American *Journal of Historical Research in Music Education*. The purpose of this recital was to highlight some of the senior educator’s experiences, approaches and recommendations presented in his oral history.

The recital repertoire primarily focus on some of Adolu-Otojoka’s favorite works, particularly, those highlighted in his oral history as well as recitations of select sections of his life story.

The performance forces will include some of Adolu-Otojoka’s former students, acquaintances, professional musicians and music faculty alongside current music students from Makerere University.

The recital provided valuable inspiration for the young music education discipline in Uganda and insights regarding multicultural music education perspectives.

**More:** <https://mulengeranews.com/zadok-adolu-i-am-happy-to-be-honoured-alive-mak-former-music-lecturer/>

<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/15366006211069580>

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# MAK & KYOTO UNIVERSITY TO ADVANCE HUMAN CAPACITY IN AFRICA'S SDGS



*Dr. Umar Kakumba interacts with HE Fukuzawa Hidemoto after the second session of the day*



Makerere University Department of History, Archeology and Heritage Studies will start a collaboration with Kyoto University Japan to enhance human capacity development in Africa's SDGs.

The university is to be linked to Kyoto university through a program initiated by the Ministry of Education, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan called, " Innovative Africa: Educational

Networking Programs for Human Resource development in

This collaboration will kick-start the next 100 years of Makerere University in international exchange focusing on people-to- people exchanges as essential in enhancing knowledge and academic activities".

The Ministry of Education, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan has also awarded the Department

of History, Archeology and Heritage Studies a Teaching Assistant Scholarship. Such opportunities will enable the department to provide a critical mass that will strengthen its research capacity.

*Read more; <https://news.mak.ac.ug/2022/03/mak-kyoto-university-to-advance-human-capacity-in-africas-sdgs/>*

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# THE MAK CENTENNIAL POETRY COMPETITION

## SHORTLIST OF WINNING POEMS

1. A HUNDRED YEARS OF MAKERERE
2. RIVER MAKERERE
3. YOUR MUSIC SHALL FLOW ON
4. THE HILL OF ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES
5. THESE IVORY HEARTS
6. THE GRAND POT
7. THE HILL MAKERERE

Established in 1922, Makerere university in the year 2022 will celebrate 100 years of existence. To celebrate this, the Department of Literature, Makerere University sought poetry entries for a competition entitled, "The Makerere University Centennial Poetry Competition". The entries are aimed at showing how far Makerere University has come, and its place in teaching, research and community outreach. They also explored the uniqueness of the University, drawing on its history and current state, and show how an interaction between the academy and the community it serves can be fostered for the next a hundred years of Makerere University's existence.

In light of the above, the judges of The Makerere University **Centennial Poetry**

**Competition** received a total of 35 poems. Fifteen (15) poems made it to the longlist. From these, there was a selection of eight poems that have made it to the shortlist of the winning poems. These are presented below in no particular order.

### Shortlist of Winning Poems

1. A Hundred Years of Makerere
2. River Makerere
3. Your Music Shall Flow On
4. The Hill of Endless Possibilities
5. These Ivory Hearts
6. The Grand Pot
7. The Hill Makerere

8. A Century Young

**Three (3) top poems** shall be selected.

*Details:* <https://chuss.mak.ac.ug/news/makerere-university-centennial-poetry-competition#:~:text=Established%20in%201922%2Chttps://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UqgRLRK-BDghttps://news.mak.ac.ug/2022/02/chuss-selects-15-out-of-35-poems-for-the-centennial-poetry-competition/>

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## MAK SIGNS COLLABORATION AGREEMENT WITH YUNUS EMRE INSTITUTE, TURKEY



Representing the Vice Chancellor, Associate Prof. Umar Kakumba, the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic Affairs) assured the Turkish delegation that Makerere University will provide land where to construct the institute.



Makerere University on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 signed a memorandum of understanding with Yunus Emre Institute of Turkey aimed at enhancing international communication and building strong relations with Turkey.

The MOU was signed on behalf of Makerere and Yunus Emre Institute by Associate Prof. Umar Kakumba, Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic Affairs) and Dr. Abdullah Kutalmis Yalcin, Vice President Yunus Emre Institute respectively.

By signing this protocol, Turkish language courses will start at Makerere University and will be

taught by Lecturers appointed from Turkey. The Lecturer will equally guide Ugandan students on study programmes/courses in Turkey, how to apply for scholarships and internship in the country.

Article 3 of the memorandum of understanding entails areas of co-operation by both parties among which include, developing joint research, organizing joint academic, scientific and cultural events, reviewing academic curricula/programmes. Other areas of cooperation include; providing Makerere University with

the usage of the cultural center of the Institute spread across 63 nations in the world, developing joint industrial approaches and entrepreneurship programmes and developing joint courses, training and summers schools.

He thanked the Yunus Emre Foundation and Turkish government for their commitment to the partnership with Makerere University and Uganda in general.

*Read more: <https://news.mak.ac.ug/2022/02/mak-signs-collaboration-agreement-with-yunus-emre-institute-turkey/>*

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## A SET OF MODERN MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS ACQUIRED



In October, 2019 PAF resource mobilization team chaired by Dr. Benon Kigozi embarked on mobilizing Makerere university staff and alumni and was able to raise the funds. The equipment was handed over to the department in a ceremony witnessed by the Vice Chancellor Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe and staff at the College of Humanities and Social Sciences (CHUSS) Smart room in the arts building on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

*Read more: <https://news.mak.ac.ug/2021/12/chuss-acquires-modern-musical-instruments-through-staff-alumni-fundraising/>*

The Department of Performing Arts and Film (PAF) acquired a set of musical instruments worth UGX 21million. The instruments are to be used as teaching and learning aids for courses including popular music on stage and band

music where students are trained to perform and manage guitars and key boards in the first year then, in the second and third year they begin to go on stage.



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# THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON WOMEN AND GENDER STUDIES IN AFRICA HELD



*The First Lady and Minister of Education and Sports Hon. Janet K. Museveni represented by the Vice President of the Republic of Uganda H.E. Jessica Alupo on 23rd February 2022 officially opened the International Conference on Gender Studies in Africa (ICGSA) at Makerere University.*

The conference was organized by the School of Women and Gender Studies as part of the celebrations to commemorate a century of excellent service to humanity by Makerere University. The conference was organized as a platform for Gender Scholars world over to network, share experiences and establish lasting collaborations that will shape Gender Studies in Africa.

Participants had reflections on teaching of gender studies and how to improve it, gender focused research, how gender has been applied in the field of practice as well as impact and benefits of gender studies in Africa.



The conference brought together more than 480 papers from African scholars with an endorsement of more than 30 gender studies programs on the continent and beyond. These come from universities all over Africa and in the diaspora with representations from the USA, Canada, UK, Hungary, Czech Republic, Israel, India, Australia, and Latin America among others.

*More: <https://chuss.mak.ac.ug/news/international-conference-women-and-gender-studies-africa-opens-makerere-university>  
<https://chuss.mak.ac.ug/en/slide/international-conference-women-and-gender-studies-africa-opens-makerere-university>*

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# PROF, GRACE BANTEBYA APPOINTED HEAD OF GRANTS ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT UNIT



The Vice Chancellor Makerere University Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe appointed CHUSS Professor Grace Bantebya Kyomuhendo Head of Grants Administration and Management Unit of Makerere University. Bantebya Kyomuhendo is a Professor of Women and Gender Studies; and advocate for gender equality, social transformation and respect for women's rights.

She is a distinguished social anthropologist with a wealth of experience in gender/feminist and social norms research. Prof. Bantebya is the Principal Investigator (PI) on the "Whole University Approach: Kicking Sexual Harassment out of Higher Education Institutions in Uganda" (KISH Project).

In accordance with article 9.0 (b) (i) of the Makerere University Grants Administration Policy, the Vice Chancellor appointed Prof. Grace

Bantebya Kyomuhendo Head of Grants Administration and Management Unit for a period of five (5) years with immediate effect.

The Head of Grants Administration and Management Unit reports directly to the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Finance and Administration).

The responsibilities of the Head of Grants Administration and Management Unit include:

- Undertaking regular mapping and maintaining an up-to-date database of grants and funding opportunities and ensuring that these
- opportunities are communicated to faculty and staff in a timely manner
- Ensuring that Makerere University is registered with various funding agencies where necessary
- Supporting faculty and other staff of the University in the preparation of grants applications
- Supporting award winners in the grant negotiations and coordinate with relevant University authorities for the signing processes

- Liaising with relevant University authorities for project account set-up wherever necessary
- Following -up with Principal Investigators to ensure timely compliance with grant contract conditions and University policies
- Ensuring that concluded projects are appropriately closed out in accordance with University policies and guidelines
- Maintaining a database of all grants in the University
- Ensuring that all projects comply with the laws and policies of the University
- Be the Secretariat to the Grants Management Steering Committee
- Undertaking Monitoring, evaluation and quality assurance in the execution of grants at the University
- Preparing quarterly reports in accordance with the provisions of this policy

*Details : <https://www.newvision.co.ug/articledetails/126556>*



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# RESEARCH DISSEMINATION ON THE PLACE OF MEN AND BOYS IN GENDER EQUALITY



The School of Women and Gender Studies, under the Early Career Scholars research programme held a conversation on *Rethinking the place of men and masculinities in feminist activism in Uganda*. The study was sponsored under the Andrew W Melon Foundation.

The conversation was informed by the research conducted by Dr. Amon Ashaba Mwiine under the mentorship of Assoc. Prof Josephine Ahikire on the Feminist Activism and its encounter with notions of Men and Masculinities.

The blended event was held on Wednesday 15th December, 2021

in the CHUSS smart room and attended by the Principal and Deputy Principal CHUSS, the Dean School of Women and Gender Studies, Makerere staff, prominent Ugandan women activists and public servants among others.

Dr. Amon Ashaba Mwiine was investigating activism around women's rights and how that activism engages with the quest of men and masculinity.

The study found out that, men's behaviors and practices are not universal and that unlike the tendency to think that men

represent power and privilege and that they cannot be vulnerable and disadvantaged, in many cases, men have found themselves at a disadvantage either not knowing how to contribute to gender equality or occupying the positions of vulnerability.

*Read more: <https://news.mak.ac.ug/2021/12/chuss-holds-research-dissemination-on-the-place-of-men-boys-in-gender-equality/>*

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## CHUSS AG. DEPUTY PRINCIPAL -DR. JULIUS KIKOOMA HANDS OVER OFFICE



Dr. Julius Kikooma hands over to the Principal Assoc. Prof. Josephine Ahikire

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***I felt we did much and put CHUSS to a certain road and I hope the college will continue on the same path. I am ready for deployment to any assignment”***,

Ag. outgoing Deputy Principal Dr. Julius Kikooma handed over office to the Principal (CHUSS) Associate Prof. Josephine Ahikire in a ceremony that was held in the CHUSS Smart room on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

“I felt we did much and put CHUSS to a certain road and I hope the college will continue on the same path. I am ready for deployment to any assignment”, Dr. Kikooma added.

Dr. Julius Kikooma was appointed Acting Deputy Principal CHUSS on 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, a post he served up to 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2022. As Deputy Principal Dr. Kikooma was responsible for coordination and management of academic programmes within the college,

knowledge transfer partnerships and networking and providing quarterly reports to the Principal.

Dr. Kikooma assumed office during the COVID-19 lock down and embarked on the onlinisation strategies that the university was working on. He coordinated college programmes for training and capacity building in e-learning system, established an e-learning implementation focal team conducting a crush program for staff capacity building on alternative modes of teaching during the era of social distancing among others.

***Details: <https://chuss.mak.ac.ug/news/chuss-ag-deputy-principal-dr-julius-kikooma-hands-over-office>***

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# ASSOCIATE PROF. JOSEPHINE AHIKIRE NAMED NORDIC AFRICA INSTITUTE (NAI) ASSOCIATE



Associate Prof. Josephine Ahikire was selected as an Associate under the Nordic Africa Institute (NAI) Associates Program. Based at Uppsala, Sweden, the Nordic Africa Institute (NAI) provides resources that further the understanding of contemporary Africa, and collaborates with a wide range of organizations on research, development cooperation, communication, and knowledge dissemination to further their work. NAI is also a member of several networks globally.

Ahikire is an Associate Professor of Gender Studies and the current Principal CHUSS. This selection was based on her 25-year track record of cutting-edge feminist research and gender training. Dr. Ahikire joins six other

Associate members from various institutions who have been selected as NAI Associates for the period September 2021 to August 2022. Under this program, Ahikire is tasked with, among others:

1. Contributing to the analytical capacity of NAI;
2. Promoting joint interest towards African studies and development of the Continent;
3. Promoting the institute's knowledge and experience base and its profile;
4. Building and maintaining networks and institutional links especially with Makerere University;

and;

5. Contributing to mentoring and reflexive learning by NAI staff

Ahikire is also an Honorary Professor at the Centre for Advancement of Non-Racialism and Democracy (CANRAD), Nelson Mandela University, South Africa and a member of Council for Development of Social Research in Africa (CODESRIA) and serving on the Editorial Advisory Board of CODESRIA's Journal of Higher Education in Africa.

Read more: <https://nai.uu.se/about-us/person/josephine-ahikire.html>

# DR. JULIUS OMONA TO LEAD EAST AFRICAN REGION CLUSTER ON GETSPA RESEARCH PROJECT



21<sup>st</sup> May 2021: The Gender Equitable and Transformative Social Policy for Post-COVID-19 Africa (GETSPA) Project, which is based at the Institute of African Studies at the [University](#) of Ghana, and supported by the Open Society Foundations of Africa, commissioned multi-country teams across Africa, with the objective to transform - through research, advocacy, networking, documentation and constituency building activities- the approaches to and cultures of social policymaking and implementation in Africa. The research activities under GETSPA focus on understanding the framing and value propositions underpinning social policy; the assumptions about the role of the state, markets and society;

the interface between social and economic policies; and the socio-economic development outcomes of social policy, particularly in terms of gender, class and spatial inequalities.

GETSPA is an Africa-wide study project, consisting of 10 clusters and Dr. Julius Omona, an Associate Professor in the Department of Social Work and Social Administration at Makerere University will lead the East African Region Cluster comprising of Makerere University, Kenyatta University, University of Dar es Salaam and University of Rwanda.

*Read more: <https://chuss.mak.ac.ug/news/dr-julius-omona-lead-east-african-region-cluster-getspsa-research-project>*

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# A PRE-APPLICATION WORKSHOP FOR PROSPECTIVE 2022 GRADUATE APPLICANTS HELD



CHUSS on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2022, held a pre-application workshop for the prospective 2022 PhD applicants for Gerda Henkel Call. The blended workshop held physically and online attracted over 30 Ugandans with graduate education at a level of masters in the humanities and social sciences. Another over 30 non-Ugandan participants from Kenya, Tanzania, Nigeria and other countries attended online.

This initiative comes after the 2017 round of application, when it was

realized that there were so many mistakes' applicants had made, hence the need to sit down with prospective applicants to address the mistakes.

The purpose of this pre-writing workshop is to meet with the possible applicants and clarify, especially the issue of historical humanities and humanistic social sciences-an academic area that is not common within the African and Ugandan universities hence,

the need for applicants to be acquainted with the application process as an important moment in their lives that should be given all the attention it deserves..

*Read more: <https://news.mak.ac.ug/2022/03/chuss-holds-a-pre-application-workshop-for-prospective-2022-graduate-applicants/>*

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## THE SUPERVISORS RETOOLING SEMINAR TO IMPROVE GRADUATE COMPLETION RATES HELD

On 3<sup>rd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022, CHUSS held its fifth annual Gerda Henkel retooling seminar for supervisors, Heads of Departments and Deans who are mentoring PhD students for 2021 CHUSS Gerda Henkel funded PhD training. The goal of the retooling seminar was to discuss and agree on strategies and practices for ensuring robust and timely mentorship for graduate students.

The retooling seminar was officially opened by the Principal CHUSS represented by the Deputy Principal, Dr. Julius Kikooma at the Grand Global Hotel, in Kikooni, a Kampala suburb. The function was also graced by the Makerere University Director, Directorate of Graduate Research and Training Prof. Mukadasi Buyinza.

The supervisors retooling seminar comes with the new cohort system and provides some kind of orientation, bringing new supervisors on board to go through different elements that are important from regulations, project expectations and to ensure that supervisors understand that they are part of the leadership team that is supposed to enable students go through this experience effectively in the department.

More: <https://chuss.mak.ac.ug/news/chuss-holds-supervisors-retooling-seminar-improve-graduate-completion-rates>



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# FRESHER'S ORIENTATION 2022 HELD



The CHUSS on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 held her college –wide orientation for first years following a week long school and departmental based orientation.

The orientation ceremony held at the Arts quadrangle attracted over 500 students addressed by the college leadership led by the Principal CHUSS Assoc. Prof. Josephine Ahikire. The students were also addressed by officials from the college administrative units, the students Guild, Makerere University Guidance and Counselling Centre, the Makerere university Police station, and other institutions partnering with the university.

Every year, the college welcomes and orients new students on university policies, rules and regulations to acquaint students with the university environment. This also creates a platform where students interact with the college administrators, leaders and students' Guild to clarify on matters pertaining to their stay and study at Makerere university.

The students were furnished with information and advice on a number of issues ranging from the admission, fees payment and registration, the University academic calendar and change of program. They were also advised on matters of social life, personal security, the general conduct while at the university, and the new norm of online teaching and learning.


The freshers were also cautioned against examination malpractices, engaging in strikes, drug abuse and sexual harassment among others that would put their lives and studies at stake.


*.Read more: <https://chuss.mak.ac.ug/en/slide/chuss-holds-freshers-orientation-2022>*




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