1st ANNUAL Symposium
ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION

24 - 25 OCTOBER, 2018

Theme:
“Knowledge and Innovation for Uganda’s Transformation”
1.0 The theme for the 2018 conference is Knowledge and Innovation for Uganda’s Transformation. How well Uganda harnesses knowledge and innovation will shape its future and the fortunes of younger generations for many decades to come.

2.0 The AU Agenda 2063 and the African Common Position on the Post-2015 development agenda identify science, technology and innovation as key pillars for Africa’s development.

3.0 As the continent pursues its agenda of “an integrated, prosperous and peaceful Africa driven by its own citizens and representing a dynamic force in the global arena,” success will depend on adequate accumulation of skills, technology and competences for innovation.

4.0 Vision 2050 of the East African Community which seeks a prosperous, competitive, secure, stable and politically-united Community has ICT at the heart of its agenda

5.0 Uganda’s Vision 2040 also envisages a transformed society from peasantry to prosperity which inevitably includes tapping into the opportunities presented by ICT.

6.0 Uganda has seen an increase in innovation and this is owed mostly to the Government’s focus on science and technology and Its recognition of the importance of knowledge generation and innovation. A new crop of innovative digital entrepreneurs (young men and women) is rising in Africa with Africa’s youth showing a keen propensity for absorbing and adopting new technologies.

7.0 However, most innovators are unaware of the legal protections available for their inventions and others lack the practical skills to compete globally. There is still a need to broaden Uganda’s skills/innovation gap in order to enhance the employability of the labor force.

8.0 So, while opportunities for new economic activities and entrepreneurship have expanded in recent years, the skills mismatch has made it impossible, in particular for the youth and women, to derive direct benefits from economic growth.

9.0 The proliferation of the internet has also facilitated the upward trend in Innovation. In the last few years, we have seen an increase in the use of social media for communication and business use. Consequently, Uganda has joined the rest of the world in reaping from the benefits of e-commerce & digital finance technology.
Firstly, the main purpose of the conference will be to examine the best ways in which to use knowledge and innovation to boost youth employment and foster the adoption of new technologies.

The conference will also look at the current position of digital finance technology (DFS) in Uganda, so that all concerned stakeholders (Lawyers, law makers, Financial Institutions government and regulatory authorities) are well acquainted with the concept of digital finance technology and what it entails. Digital Financial Technology has the potential to disrupt markets, commerce and traditional financial institutions as we know them today if it is not well understood and managed.

The conference will be an avenue for the attendees to brainstorm with the relevant authorities and lawyers on how best technology (DFS, Block-chain etc) can be regulated and monitored in Uganda’s legal regime.

Format of the conference

The conference will take place at Kampala Serena Hotel on 24th & 25th October. The Conference will provide a unique opportunity for researchers, policymakers and development practitioners from Uganda and elsewhere, to explore Uganda’s existing knowledge generation approaches and frameworks, the efficacy of its knowledge and innovation institutions in developing needed skills, technology and innovation capacities. It will look at the policies required in the areas of knowledge generation and innovation to achieve Uganda’s transformation agenda.

The Conference will comprise a number of plenary sessions as well as break-out sessions that will feature presentations and discussions by prominent industry leaders, academics, regulators & policy makers, business actors (including emerging technological/digital entrepreneurs and the youth) and opinion leaders, as well as representatives from development partner organizations.

The break-out sessions will allow for more in-depth and technical analyses of salient issues arising from the thematic focus of the conference. The sub-themes suggested below will enable a broad range of discussions on the current state of Uganda’s transformation capacity and generate valuable insights for improved policy making.

The conference will also feature a presidential roundtable, where H.E the President of Uganda will discuss with innovators about innovation and development.
12.5 The following sub-thematic areas are proposed:

**Addressing the Skills Deficit**

- Estimating the magnitude of skills required to achieve economic and social transformation objectives (analysis by different economic sector or by goal e.g. breaking into global supply/value chains etc.)
- Best practice in exploiting regional and sub-regional opportunities for skills development
- Best practice on adapting skills to industry requirements
- Financing skills development
- Industry-government-academia cooperation on skills development

**Technology**

- Role of intellectual property & technology in social mobility/inequality reduction
- Best practice in fostering technology transfer
- Financing technological upgrading
- Innovative strategies for promoting technology commercialization

The conference will have rapporteurs and the presentations will be reduced into a publication.
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KTA Advocates is a specialized law firm focusing on technology, media, telecommunications, Intellectual Property & Construction law. We advise clients on the financing, exploitation and protection of their creative and commercial assets in these sectors. Alongside its specialist commercial expertise, the firm provides a full legal service across corporate, tax, finance, litigation, employment and property.

The firm’s clients range from leading businesses in banking, e-commerce, entertainment, technology, beverage & hospitality, telecommunications, broadcast entertainment, music, and publishing through to platforms, content retailers and early stage entrepreneurs.

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CORPORATE. MEDIA. TELECOMMUNICATION. DISPUTES

- Film
- Music
- Technology
- Fintech & Payments
- Commercial Litigation
- Data Privacy & Cyber Security
- Employment
- Finance
- Intellectual property
- Trademarks
- Copyright
- Domain Names
- Patents
- Geographical Indications/ Certified Trademarks
- International Business And Investment Law
- Banking And Finance
- Insurance, Debt Recovery, Receiverships, Bankruptcy and Liquidation
- Arbitration and Mediation/ Rent a Judge
The Uganda Law Society (ULS) is an association of lawyers charged with ensuring high levels of professionalism among lawyers in Uganda.

The Institution is headed by Simon Peter Kinobe who is the current president.

The Organisation overseas sets standards as well as maintain utmost professionalism in the legal.

Strategic Goal is to promote Efficient Legal Service Delivery to ensure Access to Justice and Observance of the Rule of Law for Positive Social Transformation.

**Strategic Objectives**
To promote members’ professional development and ethical conduct;

To promote access to justice for Indigent, marginalized and vulnerable persons in Uganda;

To contribute to upholding and promoting the rule of law in Uganda;

To strengthen the institutional capacity of the ULS to become a modern Bar Association.

**Mission**
To Develop a Skilled and Empowered Legal Profession in Execution of its Statutory Mandate to Foster and Improve Access to and Administration of Justice as well as Good Governance in Uganda.

**Vision**
To be a Proficient Bar Association in Fostering Access to Justice, the Rule of Law and Good Governance in Uganda.
Speaker Highlights

H.E Yoweri Kaguta Museveni
President of Uganda

Rt. Hon. Dr. Ruhakana Rugunda
Prime Minister of Uganda

Simon Peter Kinobe
President Uganda Law Society

Hon. Matia Kasaija
Minister for Finance Planning and Economic Development in Uganda

Frank Tumwebaze
Minister of Information Technology and Communications in Uganda

Stella Alibateese
Director, Regulation and Legal Services - NITA -U

Candy Wekesa Okoboi
Head of Legal & Company Secretary, Stanbic Bank Uganda Limited

Susan Wegoye
Commission Secretary/Director Legal Affairs at the Uganda Communications Commission.

Hon. Steve Tikodri
Scientist, Engineer, Academic, and Politician in Uganda.

Mable Ndawula Kasente
Partner - Deloitte East Africa

Dr. Anthony Kakooza
Dean - Faculty of Law UCU

Andrew Jombwe
Chief Operation Officer TruIT Uganda Limited

Alice Namuli Blazevic
Partner Katende, Ssempebwa & Company Advocates

Jamina Apio
Mediation and Reconciliation Network Partner - ABM
PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR THE 1st ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

8:30-9:00 am
Registration & Networking Breakfast

9:00 AM- 09:30 AM
Welcoming remarks by Simon Kinobe-President Uganda Law Society

09:30- 10:00 am
Opening remarks by Hon. Matia Kasaijja-Minister of Finance, Planning and Development of Uganda.

“ICT and its role in finance”

The speech will explore some of the latest developments towards innovation and digitization of the Digital Finance Technology era that have been recognized and embraced by the Ugandan government.

10:00 am – 10:30 am TEA BREAK

Main Session

10:30 am- 11:00 am
Main speaker: Hon. Frank Tumwebaze, Minister for Information Communication Technology

ICT Policy and Law in Uganda: The Importance of Innovation to the Digital Economy.

The speech will explore the importance of supporting the innovation eco system and how this support in turn, promotes the digital economy.

11:00 am to 11:35 pm

Panelists: Stella Alibateese Head Legal NITA-U, Vincent Bagiire (Ministry of ICT Permanent Secretary), Candy Wekesa Okoboi, Andrew Kabeera- C.O.O dfcu Bank, Susan Wegoye- Head Legal UCC, Kira Motors Corporation, Roke Telecom, Teneyi Mawocha - CEO Opportunity Bank

Edgar Kasenene - IoT and Emerging Business Africa ericsson, Johannesburg.

Moderator: Edgar Tabaro, KTA
11:35am to 12:15 pm

**Main Speaker:** Doris Akol, Commissioner General URA

*Taxing Digital Assets: Challenges Faced by the Tax Man*

**Panelists:** Mable Ndawula Kasente - Deloitte, Mr. Cephas Birungyi - Birungyi Barata Co Advocates, Silver Kayondo - Ortus LLP, Rayner Mugyezi - KAA, Anthony Katamba (MTN), Dennis Kakonge - Head Legal Airtel, Anthony Katamba, Representative from Parliament of Uganda

**Moderator:** Sheila Nyanzi - ICT Cluster

12:15 pm - 1:00 pm

Q&A session

1:00pm- 2:00pm

Lunch

2:00pm to 2:30pm

**Main Speaker:** Mutabazi Godfrey - UCC

*ICT Landscape: Regulatory Perspective.*

2:30pm- 3:00pm

**Panelists:** Irene Sewankambo - UCC, Suzan Wegoye - UCC, Ivan Ojakol-KTA, Advocates, ICT Cluster-ULS, Kwame Rugunda.

**Moderator:** Olivia Kiratu - founder Firm Grown

3:00 pm- 3:30pm

**Main Speaker:** Ron Kawamara - CEO Jumia East Africa

*“The importance of Data in Online Transactions”*

3:00pm- 4:00pm

**Panelists:**

FSD Uganda, Godfrey Sseramukoko- Iway Africa, Aaron Tindisega- Country Lead Uber,
Dusu Pay, Fenix International, Aggrey Omara - Internet Solutions Uganda,
Akram Sekanjako - Liquid Telecom, Andrew Jombwe - TruIT.

**Moderator:** Alice Namuli - Katende, Sempewba Advocates

4:00pm- 4:45pm

Tea and networking
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Arrival and registration

8:30 am - 9:00 am
Welcoming remarks from Hon. William Byaruhanga, Attorney General of Uganda

9:00 am - 09:45 am
Opening Remarks: H.E. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President Republic of Uganda

09:45 am - 10:45 am
Breakout Panel Discussions

**Presidential Roundtable on Innovation**
(Break Out session for innovators & tech hubs)

*Hosted by the Tech Hub - Gloria Mbabazi*

**Moderator: Richard Byarugaba - NSSF**

Cyber security & Fintech: Are we really secure?
Speaker: Olukayode Osunsan - Logix Technical Solutions

**Panelists:** Sheila Kawooya - MTN, Neil Blazevic - Technology & Human rights defender Program, Joseph Lutwama - Centenary Bank, Paula Namusitwa, Gadiel Ishimwe & Deo Mugambo Hackers Yacht

**Moderator: Ms. Marion Acio - Office of the DPP**

10:45 am - 11:15 am
Tea break

11:15 am - 11:45 am
How Intellectual Property fuels the knowledge economy; an East African Perspective.

**Main Speaker: URSB**

11:45 am - 12:00 pm
The thin Line between the law of contract and Intellectual Property Law - an East African Perspective”

**Main Speaker: Dr. Anthony Kakooza - Dean - Faculty of Law UCU**

12:00 pm - 12:30 pm
Panelists: Captain Mike Mukula - Businessman and Pilot, Esther Katende - EK Consulting Group, Trademark East Africa, Ministry of Regional Affairs, Ministry of Trade

**Moderator - Edwin Tabaro - KTA Advocates**
12:30am- 1:30 pm

Main Speaker- Dr. Tumubweinee Twinemanzi - Executive Director Supervision, representing Dr. Louis Kasekende - Deputy Governor Bank of Uganda

The Digital Branch: What next for traditional branches?

Panelists: Lloyd Busuulwa - Manager Alternative Channels dfcu Bank, Veronica Sentongo- Stanbic Bank, KCB, DTB Bank, Tropical bank, Candy Wekesa Okoboi, Macgyver Mugamba - Opportunity Bank

Moderator: Candy Wekesa Okoboi

1:30-2:30 LUNCH

2:30- 3:00PM


Use of ICT in Accessing Justice

Experience in dealing with technical cases concerning IP & tech.

3:00PM- 3:30PM


Moderator: Jaminah Apio- ABM Advocates

3:30 PM- 04:00 PM

Closing Speech by Rt. Hon Dr. Ruhakana Rugunda - Prime Minister of Uganda.

Closing Remarks by the KTA team

KTA @ 10 Cocktail (Invite Only)
TMS Ruge Teddy
Started the first innovation hub in Uganda.

CK Japeth
Innovation Village

Richard Zulu
Outbox

Timothy Mugume

Gadiel Ishimwe & Deo Mugambo
Hackers Yacht
TUNGA

By Linda Alinda-Ikanza
Tunga Innovations Ltd is an app that informs users about their employment rights. E.g leave days both annual and maternity, overtime rates and notice before resigning or being terminated. by Linda Alinda-Ikanza.

ZZIMBA GAMES

By Christian Ogencu
ZG is simplifying the justice ecosystem by simulating Ugandans experience through an entertaining card & board game, that mirrors their environment and subsequently empowers them.

JusticeBot

by Magezi Segasse
JusticeBot is a chatbot that provides access to legal procedures information and services, to Ugandans in needs of legal service and justice.

Yunga

By Anatoli Kirigwajjo
Yunga is a local rescue digital network for neighbors, that allows them to communicate with each other in real time in case of attack.
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