



Newsletter



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Young innovators awarded during 2022 World IP Day



Nobby Macharia (4th Left), Director, Agro-Processing Directorate, Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and Enterprise Development, Ahmed Isaack Hassan, KIPI Board Chairman, Purity Kamau, KIPI Board Member, Mario Fernandez (Right), Ag Deputy Chief of Mission, US Embassy, Nairobi, John Onyango (Left), KIPI Ag. Managing Director pose for a photograph with award winners David Mwaura Njuguna (4th Right), James Mwangi (3rd Left) and Peter Mburu (3rd Right).

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The Institute, in conjunction with the Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and Enterprise Development and the US Embassy in Nairobi, honoured young innovators during the 2022 world Intellectual Property (World IP) Day Celebrations. The Day, whose theme was *IP and the Youth: Innovating for a Better Future*, was held at the Kenyatta International Convention Centre (KICC) on April 26, 2022. The three innovators were awarded for com-

ing up with innovations geared towards achieving the Government's Big Four Agenda:-

- Daniel Mwaura Njuguna**- *Honey Vital Oral Supplement (Manufacturing, Food Security and Universal Health Care).*
- James Mwangi** - *Cross Cultivating Tractor (Manufacturing, Food Security).*
- Peter Maina Mburu** - *CarSS Smartphone Operated Vehicle Security (Manufacturing).*

Ministry partnering with county governments to promote industrialization

The Institute has been working with various county governments to promote inventive and innovative activities in the country through various industrial property (IP) awareness activities. For instance, it was one of the participants in the 2021 Kericho Enterprise, whose theme was *Empowering MSMEs for sustainable economic growth* in Kericho County, held at the Moi Grounds in Kericho town.

During the Expo, which was organized by the Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and Enterprise Development and the Kericho County Government, several innovators and inventors, including micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) owners applied to have their IP rights protected.



Ms. Betty C. Maina (Centre), the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and Enterprise Development, visiting the Institute's stand at the Kericho Expo



Paul Chege (Centre) explains to Hon. David Osiany (Right), the Chief Administrative Secretary, Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and Enterprise Development, the operations of the Trade Mark Division when the CAS toured the Institute's offices. He is flanked by Ahmed Issack Hassan (2nd Right), KIPIT Board Chairman, other Board members, John Onyango (3rd Right), Ag. Managing Director and other senior staff

Serving the public through the Biashara Centres



Ms. Betty C. Maina (Centre), the Cabinet Secretary for Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and Enterprise Development, interacts with MSMEs who had exhibited their products at the Kisumu Biashara Centre located at the Kenya Industrial Research and Development Institute (KIRDI), in Kibos, Kisumu.

The Institute has been attending to clients visiting its desk at the various Biashara Centres in the country.

Its officers have been visiting the Centres every first and third week of every month to guide and advise the clients on how to protect their industrial property rights.

The Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and Enterprise Development, initiated the concept of Biashara Centres to provide timely information to micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) from the participating Government Agencies.

The concept, the first of which was opened in the Micro and Small Enterprises Authority (MSEA) offices in Kariobangi Area in Nairobi in early 2020, is a one-stop-shop where businesses, especially MSMEs access government services under one roof.

Since then, the Ministry has opened three more Centres, one each in Mombasa, Eldoret and Kisumu. Its goal is to open Biashara Centres in all of the country's 47 counties. Other institutions whose services are available in the Centres are Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), Kenya National Accredita-

tion Service (KENAS), Kenya Industrial Estates (KIE), Kenya Industrial Research and Development Institute (KIRDI) Micro and Small Enterprises Authority (MSEA)



Diana Mambili of Trade Mark Division attending to a client at the Biashara Centre, Mombasa

Supporting MSMEs



Ms. Belita Mbeti Kilonzo (Right) of Isolo weavers shows John Onyango (Left), KIPI Acting Managing Director, and Paul Chege (Centre) of Trade mark Division the different types of baskets (Kyondo) the Women Group weaves.

Creative artistes need to protect their IP rights

Azziad Nasenya , a Kenyan social media personality, recently receive a certificate of her Trade Mark after registering the initials of her name as a trade mark to use in branding clothing, foot and headgear merchandise.



John Onyango (2nd Right), KIPI Acting MD, in a photo after presenting a trade mark certificate to Azziad Nasenya (Centre). Also in the picture is Janet Kisio (Right), Manager, Trade Mark Division, Azziad's lawyer, David Tenge (Left) and Manager, Peter Kawa (2nd Left).

Working with the Kenya Defence Forces in the promotion of inventive and innovative activities

The Institute has been working with the Ministry of Defence and the Kenya Defence Forces (KDF) to promote industrial property. For instance, the Institute granted a patent

and registered a trade mark to the Ministry for an innovative Diesel Powered Deftec Mobile Kitchen or DEFKITCH (K)-2012 developed by the KDF.

Benefits of the kitchen:

- (i) Consumes 1 litre of diesel per hour to cook food for 300 people;
- (ii) Uses a variety of fuels e.g. diesel, industrial diesel and kerosene thereby eliminating use of firewood in field military operation areas; and
- (iii) Minimizes carbon dioxide emissions and is flexible/portable and, therefore, conserve environment



Mr. John Onyango (Right) KIPI Acting Managing Director, making his presentation to the NDC's faculty members and participants

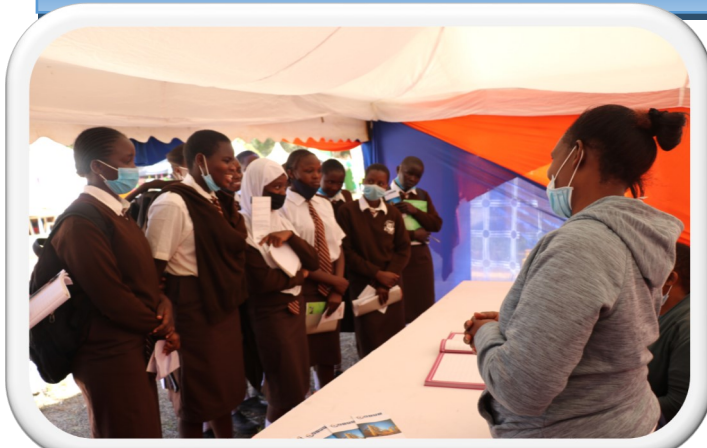


Joshua Nyakundi (Left) of KIPI explains to Nyandarua National Polytechnic's Dr. Stephen Ngugi Mbungua (2nd Left), Jane Mwangi (Seated), James Mwangi (2nd Right) and Charles Kihara (Right) how to protect their industrial property rights when they visited the Institute's offices.

Pictorial



Eunice Njuguna, Manager, Legal Services Division and Chairman, KIPI Public Complaints Management Committee, joins staff during a training facilitated by the Commission on Administrative Justice (Ombudsman) on public complaints management in Nairobi



Jane Nyamwamu (Right) of Trade Mark Division talks to pupils who visited the KIPI stand at the Eldoret National Agricultural Society of Kenya Show



Sammy Ziro (Right) of Patent Division listens to young innovators explaining how their brain-signal operated prosthetic arm and a pulse reader works in their workshop in Thogoto in Kiambu



David Njunguna(4th Right), Manager, Patent Division, Paul Chege(4th Left) of Trade Mark Division with Anwar Ahmed(3rd Right), Chief Officer, ICT, County Government of Mombasa, and other members of the Swahili Pot Hub after they conducted an IP Awareness Training at the Hub.



Public Service Commission (PSC) interns seconded to KIPI attending a Zoom welcoming meeting conducted by the Commission. PSC has been posting graduate interns to Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) for a one year period internship for them to gain work experience.

Pictorial



Participants during a Regional IP Workshop for universities, Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) and Research institutions KIPi facilitated in Chuka University in Meru County



Rose Adoyo, Lewis Maghanga and Martin Nyaga attending to a client who visited the KIPi booth at the Uganda - Kenya Agri Business Symposium and Expo held in the at the Pride Inn Paradise Beach Resort and Spa in Shanzu, Mombasa.



Janet Kisio, Manager, Trade Mark Division, addressing the Kamaki Farmers Co-Operative Society Ltd's members in Kitui county.



Staff pose for a photograph after attending a training on HIV/Aids in Nairobi facilitated by the National AIDS Control Council (NACC)



Ahmed Issack Hassan (3rd Left), KIPI Board Chairman, presents a trade mark certificate to Felix Omondi in the Institute's board-room

Felix Omondi aka Dr. King'ori, a media personality and comedian, is one among a host of creative artistes who have sort to protect their intellectual property rights.

He registered as a trade mark the show, *The Wicked Edition*, a programme that runs on NTV.

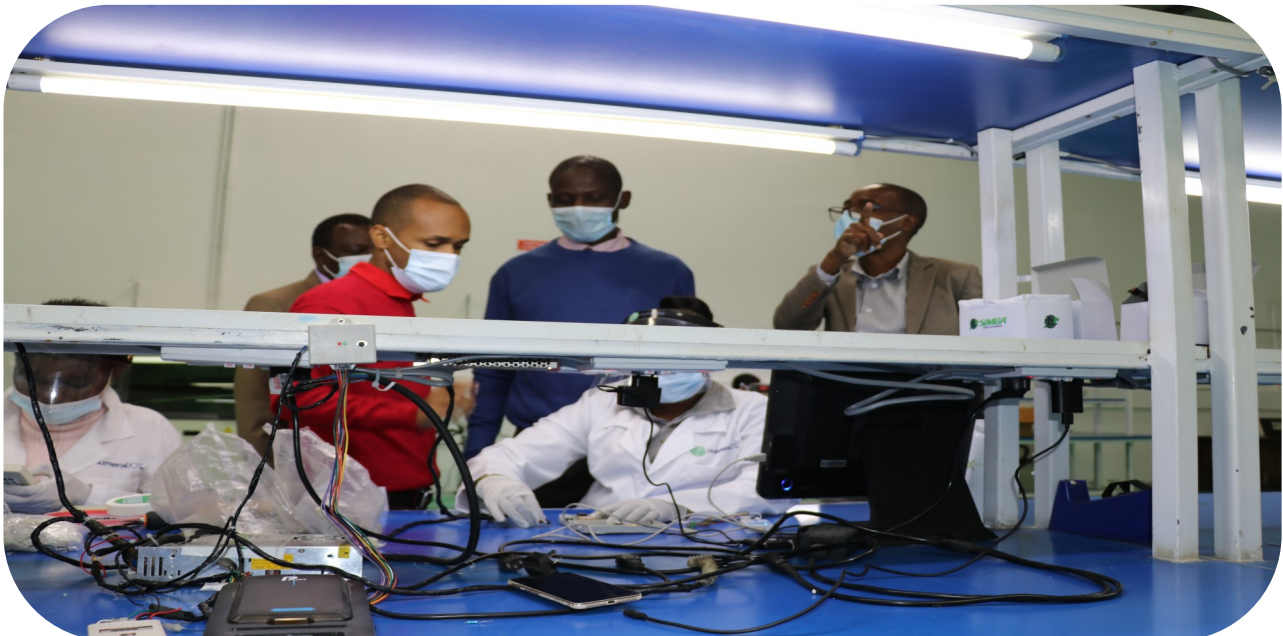
Role of IP in the promotion of women entrepreneurs competitiveness

The Institute has been supporting women entrepreneurs, especially those in the micro, small and medium enterprise (MSME) sector. Working in conjunction with the Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and Enterprise Development and other State Agencies, it has carried out industrial property (IP) sensitization programmes. The programmes are aimed at helping the women entrepreneurs to leverage on it (IP) to improve the productivity and competitiveness of their products and services in the market



John Onyango, KIPI Ag. Managing Director, explaining to Mary Muthoni, Chief Executive Officer, Women in Business (WIB) Kenya, how KIPI supports women entrepreneurs when she paid him a courtesy call at his KIPI Centre office

Industrial Visit



Sammy Zero (Standing Right) and Joshua Okwako (centre) engaging innovator, Morris Mwero Mbetsa, owner of Numeral IOT, when they visited his premises located in the Solanite Godowns along Mombasa Road, Nairobi.

Safeguarding the environmental wellbeing through tree planting

The Institute's Board of Directors, in the Performance Contract for the Period 2020/2021, committed to undertake Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) by participating in tree planting in which it will plant over 500 trees per year to June 2022.

Since then, it has taken part in tree planting exercises across the country in which over 5000 trees have been planted including:-

(i) The National Tree Growing Campaign in which 2,000 trees were planted in Nyambene Forest in Meru County

(ii) The World Environment Day-Cum-Akurinu @100 Years 1 Million Tree Planting Initiative, which took place in Nairutia in Nyeri County

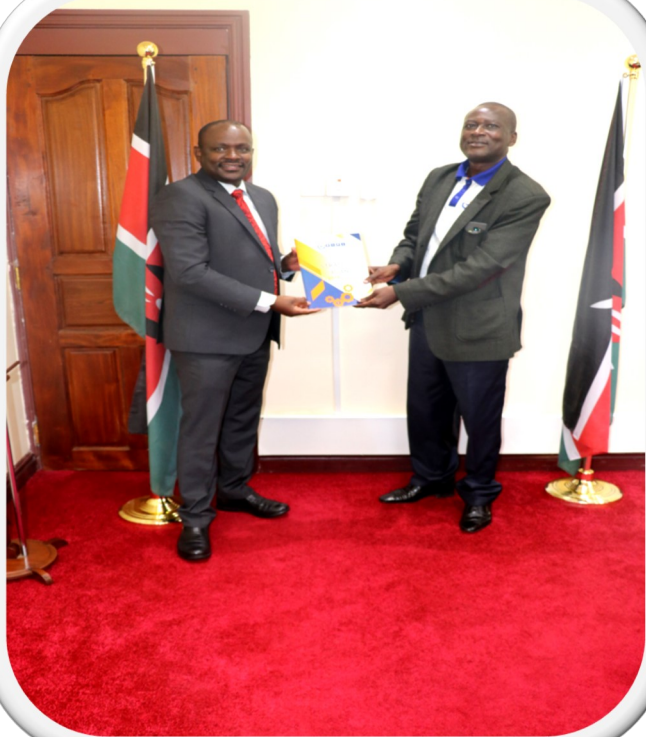


Stanley Atsali (with a spade) of Patent Division plants a tree with the help of the General Conference of Akurinu Churches Assembly (GECACA) officials



Mrs. Mary Kimonye, the Principal Secretary, State Department for Public Service in the Ministry of Public Service Youth and Gender, assisting pupils of Kambene Primary School to plant a tree in Nyambene Forest, Meru County.

Partnering to promote innovative and inventive activities in the country



John Onyango (Right), Ag. Managing Director, presents the Institute's 2018-2022 Strategic Plan to Dr. Tonny K. Omwansa, the Chief Executive Officer, Kenya National Innovation Agency (KeNIA), when he paid him a courtesy call in his KIPI Centre office.

The Institute has been working with KeNIA in the promotion of innovative and inventive activities in the country by partnering in conducting outreach activities especially among innovators and inventors.



The Institute officers training owners of micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) involved in honey production in Koriema in Baringo County on how to brand their products by protecting their IP rights to boost their productivity and competitiveness in the market.

Protecting your industrial rights



Vision:

A world class institution in administration of industrial property rights

Mission:

To protect and promote industrial property rights and foster innovation for sustainable development in Kenya.

Motto:

Intellectual Property is wealth: *Akili ni mali*

Core Values:

- a) **Confidentiality:** We endeavour to guarantee the privacy and confidentiality of our customers' information
- b) **Customer focus:** We strive to understand and meet customer needs and aim to exceed their expectations
- c) **Innovation:** We commit to foster an enabling environment that encourages creativity, continuous learning and improvement for efficient and effective service delivery.
- d) **Integrity:** We endeavour to be honest, fair, and ethical in creating a culture of trust and accountability in all the institute's activities and decision making.
- e) **Professionalism:** We shall maintain high standards and professional competence in the discharge of responsibilities and delivery of services of services. We shall abide to professional considerations on the methods, standards and procedures in our work.
- f) **Team work:** We create at the institute a unique atmosphere of collaboration, mutual support and genuine interest in each other's success. Our diverse mix of cultures and experiences provides a variety of perspectives and talents that, when united through teamwork, strengthens our ability to achieve our goals.

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