



THE ECAMA QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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INTRODUCTION

This is yet another episode of ECAMA's newsletter, covering second quarter of 2019. Its intended to keep all our highly esteemed members informed about the association's activities undertaken in the quarter and inform you of what we intend to do in the year.

ENHANCEMENT OF COLLABORATION WITH OTHER INSTITUTIONS

In a bid to improve its relevance and visibility, ECAMA has been reaching out to various organizations, both in the public and private sectors as well as development partners to establish working partnerships.



ECAMA President, Mr Chikumbutso Kalilombe (Left), Director General, National Planning Commission (NPC), Dr. Thomas Chataghalala Munthali (Centre) & ECAMA's Executive Director, Mr Maleka Thula (Right)

JTI-ECAMA WORKSHOP

JTI and ECAMA have maintained a close working partnership since 2017. Recently, ECAMA and JTI jointly organized a workshop at JTI's Ndindi Offices in Kanengo, Lilongwe. The aim of the workshop was to solicit views from various

stakeholders to feed into a brief economic report development that would provide quick facts about the country's economic environment.

The workshop attracted Malawi's seasoned economists and other stakeholders from the private and public sectors, CSOs and the academia.



A cross-section of the participants at the Workshop

Meanwhile, participants of the workshop agreed that while economic data is available on some key indicators, huge data gaps exist making it difficult for business community to make meaningful informed decisions about the country's business environment. It was further pointed out that data quality is one of the key issues exacerbating decision making and policy formulation challenges in the country.

EU-ECAMA ECONOMICS STUDENTS DEBATES

The EU and ECAMA are working together to conduct students debates across both public and private universities in Malawi slated for September 2019 to June 2020, which offer

economics and/or development-related programs. The debates are aimed at creating a debating society among university students in Malawi which will act as a platform for students to interact and share knowledge on how best they can contribute to national development.

JOINT RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

ECAMA is collaborating with National Planning Commission (NPC), International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) and the Department of Economics (DoE) of the University of Malawi (UNIMA) in organizing a research symposium. This symposium is aimed at providing a platform for sharing well researched evidence of inclusive and sustainable development pathways for the country. The knowledge shared during the symposium will directly inform the development of a successor vision to the Malawi Vision 2020 which is about to expire in less than a year. The research symposium is expected to take place in Lilongwe on 18th and 19th September 2019.

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION FOR 2019

Please note that membership subscription for 2019 is still underway.

The corporate membership categories and their annual fees are as follows:

Platinum Members	K3,000,000
Gold Members	K1,500,000
Silver Members	K500,000

Individual membership annual fee is K5,000 for students and K50,000 for everyone else.

You can download the membership form by following this link https://uploads-ssl.webflow.com/5be8fc6d1307941d41051ae1/5be8fc6d130794c26f051bde_ECAMA%20MEMBERSHIP%20FORM.doc and upon completing it,

send it to secretariat@ecamamw.com along with an attached proof of payment.

CONDOLENCE MESSAGE



ECAMA has learnt with sadness the untimely demise of **Professor Ephraim Wadonda Chirwa**. ECAMA joins all people of good will in expressing heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of the deceased.

The late Professor Chirwa rendered unwavering support and dedication to the Association. He was one of the founding members of the association and served in the Executive Committee in various capacities and continued to assist the association until his passing. ECAMA is grateful and proud of his meaningful contributions to the Association and the country at large, and he will be truly missed.

May his soul rest in peace.

Feedback...

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