



UNIK ON THE MOVE!

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UNIK WITH A NEW LOOK!

UNIK is considerably allocating efforts in changing its image for better service delivery to all its stakeholders. With this year 2018, the UNIK management has opted to invest tremendously in building relevant infrastructure to support teaching and learning.



ICT lab equipped with new computers



Experiments are going on in Bio-lab

The future of UNIK is promising. If you consider the pace that activities are taking, it is hard to imagine that in just one month, Agriculture and science laboratories are renovated and already equipped with reagents and materials.



Musamvu houses renovated into beautiful labs

Remarkable efforts are not only visible in infrastructure, but also in sound human resources recruitment. The University has recruited competent laboratory technicians, Agricultural project managers and new science Lecturers to fully implement what we need to achieve.

Being aware that better quality will come with students being given opportunity to access learning resources wherever they are, the Moodle platform has been adopted in addition to the traditional face to face and lecture

methods.



Lecturers uploading their courses on Moodle

We always recognize that learning is not just theories. We always strive to help our students link theories to practices. With the renovation of Musamvu houses, smart irrigation is underway. Students are being taught how to prepare dams for retaining water from houses for irrigation and how to make fish ponds.



Preparation of dams for smart irrigation.



Smart irrigation construction at UNIK Musamvu

In the same vein, through "Tax Justice Network Africa" students from the Faculty of Economics and Business Studies participated in a debate on tax justice organized by "Governance for Africa". They competed with other students from various Universities across Rwanda.



UNIK students ranked 2nd in the debate

The focus of the University is not only on academic activities. We also get involved in other sectors

through speakers from various government institutions who visit us to share government plans and agenda.

In this line, UNIK is honored to host two Speakers this month:

One speaker, the Mayor of Ngoma District, Mr. Nambaje Aphrodis talked about heroism on behalf of CHENO (Chancellery for Heroes, National Orders and Decorations of Honour.)



Mayor Nambaje Aphrodis talking to UNIK students and staff about heroism

Another speaker, Senator Narcisse Musabeyezu, a member of the Rwandan Senate talked about quality of education in Higher Learning Institutions and recommends UNIK students to target quality education, not just degrees.



Students attending Hon. Musabeyezu's lecture



Hon. Musabeyezu talking to students on quality education

International collaborations are also attracted. Two teams from Belgium visit UNIK.

A team of researchers led by Prof. Jacob Souogpgui from "Université Libre de Bruxelles (Belgium)" visited UNIK to discuss possibilities of partnership in establishing Postgraduate programs and research in Biotechnology.



Prof. Souogpgui (3rd from left) with UNIK management (VC and DVC on his left and Rulindo Coordinator on his right)

UNIK Rulindo hosts a team of researchers from Haute Ecole Condorcet (Belgium) for collaboration in staff and student research exchange.



Researchers from Haute Ecole Condorcet with Rulindo Campus team

In efforts to expand UNIK networks, UNIK Vice Chancellor, Prof. Egide Karuranga visits the Eastern Province and meets the Governor to discuss areas of collaboration.

UNIK also participates in Ngoma District Council meetings as a partner to get informed on priorities of the District and discuss possible areas of collaboration.

In the same vein, UNIK's Vice chancellor meets the Cornerstone team to discuss and learn from best practices.



UNIK VC, Prof Karuranga Egide with the Cornerstone team

We want to be a University built on international standards. UNIK signs an MoU for Collaboration with iCPAR (Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Rwanda). The collaboration seeks to help UNIK review Accounting-related academic programs to match standardized accountancy qualifications.

This will help students who graduate from accounting related programs to leave with a CPA (Certified Public Accountant).



UNIK VC, Prof Egide Karuranga (on the right) with the President ICPAR council after signing a Memorandum of Understanding

The University is striving to increase its social and economic impact in the Eastern region. Modern Agriculture is one of the items on the agenda in this regard. In this line, UNIK had an opportunity to visit Itorero Session 6 in Ngoma District. Through the Faculty of Agriculture and Rural Development, mango fruits are distributed to student participants (S6 Leavers). The purpose is to help Itorero participants to stay healthy, and mainly for UNIK to have mango seeds back and prepare genetics for mango propagation.

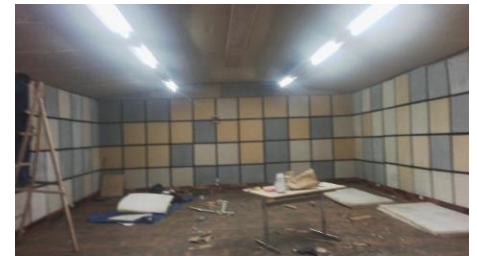


UNIK distributing mango fruits to Itorero



Students in the Faculty of Agriculture drying mango seeds for nursery preps

We want to lead in technology-led education. UNIK is building a tele-conference room to access and allow access to education from distant places.



UNIK video conference room under construction

As its core mission is to deliver quality education, UNIK establishes Student-Lecturer evaluation practice for better quality management control.

UNIK wants to build an integrated person and be an exemplar to fitness attraction through its volleyball team. The team is able to compete with teams in the region.



UNIK volleyball team play with IPRC-East

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WHO CONTRIBUTED TO ATTAIN THESE
DEVELOPMENTS: STUDENTS, ALUMNI, STAFF,
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COMMUNITY AT LARGE!
LET'S KEEP CONNECTED TO SUSTAIN THESE
ACHIEVEMENTS!