



INTERGENERATIONAL DIALOGUE FORUM **Building Opportunity Bridges**

Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology in collaboration with the National Youth Council has organised an Intergeneration Dialogue Forum to be held at JKUAT Main Campus Juja, Friday April 13, 2018.

As part of the initiative to tap the ingenuity of the youth in the country, the forum dubbed, '*Building Opportunity Bridges*' brings together 500 local university students with the aim of creating awareness on empowerment opportunities available to Kenyan youth focusing on, Access to Government Procurement Opportunities (AGPO), enterprise development, innovation, ethics and values.

Over the years, the Government of Kenya has adopted several commitments such as Commonwealth Plan of Action for Youth Empowerment (2006-2015), African Youth Charter (2006), Decade Plan of Action for Youth Employment and Development (2009-2018) to name but a few in a bid to address youth empowerment in the country. Despite these commitments, lack of mentorship and employment opportunities to stimulate personal development among the Kenyan youth remain a challenge.

The forum is therefore designed to give the young men and women a platform to interact and create strategic networks with institutions and personalities that will illuminate their path towards entrepreneurship, innovation and self-reliance.

In an effort to build the synergy between the youth and other stakeholders towards the youth empowerment agenda, the forum will be graced by various players drawn from government, private sector and academia including Chairman, Bidco Africa, Dr. Vimal Shah, Chairman Youth Enterprise Development Fund, Ronald Osumba, Chairperson, Women in Business Ms. Mary Muthoni, Vice Chancellor JKUAT, Prof. Mabel Imbuga, CEO National Youth Council, Mr. Raymond Ochieng, CEO Kenya Film Classification Board, Dr. Ezekiel Mutua, among others.

