



*The Artist Impression of the upcoming University of Embu Main Gate*

## Historical Background

**T**he University of Embu is one of the fastest growing institutions of higher learning in Kenya. Established in June 2011 as a constituent college of the University of Nairobi, the Institution was awarded the Charter for full-fledged University status on 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2016. The University is founded on a rich legacy of agricultural background, picked from its predecessor, the Embu Agricultural Staff Training College (EAST); and has built on that foundation to scale up its agricultural-oriented programmes, and has brought on board other market-oriented programmes to contribute to the National development agenda through training highly qualified graduates.

## University achievements

The University has realized notable achievements since its establishment. Of great significance is the growth in student numbers, from a mere 123 in 2013 to the current 6,500. The University has recently become the first education institution in Kenya to attain ISO 27001:2013, an internationally

recognized standard for Information Security Management Systems (ISMS), and amongst the few to be re-certified to ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management Standards.

## University commitments

The University is committed to fulfilling its vision of becoming an epicenter of excellence in training and research for service to humanity; and to play its rightful role in the realization of the National development blue print i.e. Vision 2030, the Sustainable Developments Goals and the Big Four Agenda of the National Government. The University has put in place a strategic road map captured in an ambitious Strategic Plan for the period 2018 – 2028.

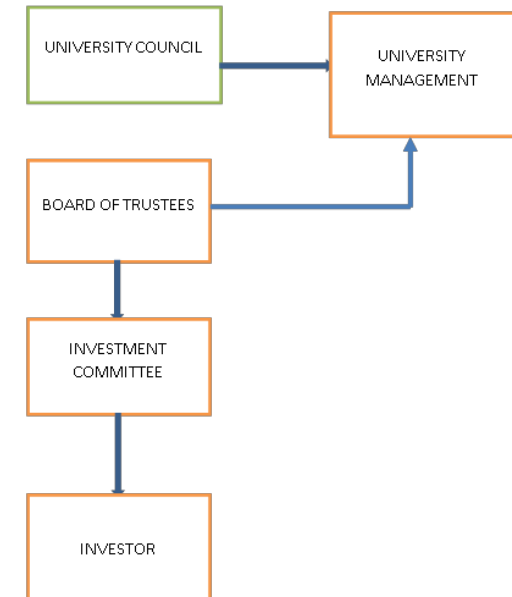
## The University of Embu

Whereas the University is committed to the realization of its vision, the University faces certain challenges, key amongst them the limitation of resources. It is for this reason the University has found it necessary to establish the University of Embu Endowment Fund, whose major objective is to mobilize resources to promote scholarly excellence.

## Endowment fund

The Endowment Fund was formally launched on Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 at the University of Embu Sportsgrounds by H.E. William Ruto, EGH, MBS. The University of Embu Endowment Fund Management Policy provides an objective, transparent and efficient mechanism for soliciting for donations, management as well as investment of endowed funds. University of Embu (UoEm) Endowment Fund is inclusive and embraces permanent endowments, quasi endowments and term endowments. The Endowment Fund Management Policy provides the framework within which organizations and individuals can endow funds in various areas to enable the University realize its vision, mission and objectives. The UoEm

endowment fund welcomes funds from external well-wishers and donors, internal stakeholders and all philanthropists. To ensure accountability and transparency in the management of the Endowment Fund, a clear governance structure has been thought out.



## Board of Trustees Briefs

### 1. Hon. Lenny Kivuti

- He is a Kenyan politician having served the Siakago Constituency in the National Assembly as well as a Senator, Embu County.
- He is a renowned Geo- Information expert and is currently the Managing Director Geomaps Africa.
- He is the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, University of Embu Endowment Fund.

### 2. Ms. Agnes Wanjuki Ndwiga

- She is a financial sector expert with over 20 years' experience and is currently the General Manager Equity Group.

- Agnes has been awarded the head of state commendation (HSC) by the President of Kenya for her contribution in financing of SMEs through her work in the finance industry and also public sector board roles.
- She is a member of the Board of Trustees, University of Embu Endowment Fund.

### 3. Ms. Paula Kontinen

- She is currently working as a Regional Program Manager with Fida International, a Finnish NGO, and has a wealth of experience in working with various Non-Governmental Organizations.
- She is a member of the Board of Trustees, University of Embu Endowment Fund.

### 4. Dr. Evangeline Njoka

- She is the current Secretary General and the first Chief Executive Officer of the Kenya National Commission for UNESCO (KNATCOM) State Corporation.
- In recognition of her distinguished service she has rendered to the Nation in the course of her work, she was conferred a medal, the Moran of the Burning Spear 3<sup>rd</sup> Order (M.B.S), by the President of Kenya.
- She is a member of the Board of Trustees, University of Embu Endowment Fund.

### 5. Prof. P.L.O. Lumumba

- He is an eloquent Kenyan legal practitioner and an Advocate of the High Court of Kenya and Tanzania.
- He has received many prestigious Recognition and Awards from local and international renowned organizations' and institutions.
- He is a member of the Board of Trustees, University of Embu Endowment Fund.

### 6. Mr. Mohamed Abdirahman Hassan

- He is currently the Board Chairman of National Bank.

- Hassan has over 21 years' experience in the international and regional capital markets. He is a former Joint Managing Director and CEO of Dyer and Blair Investment Bank and Chairman of Kenya National Trading Corporation.
- He is a member of the Board of Trustees, Northern Kenya Education Trust, and a former Director of the Kenya Community Development Foundation, and NEPAD Kenya National Steering Committee.
- He is a member of the Board of Trustees, University of Embu Endowment Fund.

### 7. Mr. Titus Ibui

- He is the founder and Executive Director of Bell Industries Limited and currently serving as the Board Chairman of LAPSET Corridor Development Authority.
- He has had extensive training in Sales and Training, Advanced Marketing and Management, Crop Protection, Planning and Marketing and Finance.
- He has served as a Board member in various organizations and was also awarded the Elder of the Golden Hearts (EGH) by the President of Kenya in recognition of his outstanding services rendered to the Nation.

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