



Ambassador's Note



WELCOME to another edition of our newsletter. As you will see, a lot of activities and events have happened in and around our Delegation.

First, our heartfelt condolences go to the people of Tanzania who are still struggling to come to terms with the loss of many lives following the ferry tragedy in Zanzibar. For those injured, we wish them a quick recovery.

A delegation comprised of EU and UNHCR officials recently visited refugee camps in western Tanzania to assess the status of Congolese and Burundian refugees who are still in the country. Among other things, the Delegation noted challenges faced by the refugees in the process of returning to their home countries. We believe that these highlighted challenges will be considered during the return exercise.

We are also encouraged by the recommencement of the EPA negotiations between EU and EAC. We believe a successful outcome of the negotiations will consolidate and strengthen the EAC regional integration and promote the competitiveness of products from the region.

In another development, the EU has granted Tshs. 16 billion to support rural electrification in Tanzania. This comes at a time when the country is facing regular load shedding. We believe the projects will go miles in enabling the rural populations to get reliable and affordable renewable energy for their development.

The EU and its partners-CCBRT, CEFA and Radar Development have launched two projects aim at enabling people with disabilities to get formal employment. These are wonderful initiatives which will surely bring about a big difference in the lives of people with disabilities in the country.

The EU also ran a course to equip exporters from EAC with skills and knowledge on quality standards for accessing the EU market. This was very timely as it was just a few months after an inspection mission by EU of Tanzanian institutions and factories handling fish exports to the EU.

We also congratulate one of our partners that we have been supporting here in Tanzania, TaCRI, for celebrating its 10th Anniversary. The institute has recorded many achievements in the past ten years and its future looks even brighter!

The final article regards the international cord of justice: The EU calls on the Tanzanian government to domesticate the Rome Statute of the International Court of Justice (ICC). Being a role model in the region in the enforcement of international justice, we think the country should make sure that the Rome Statute is domesticated and become part of its laws.

Enjoy your reading.

Tim Clarke

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EU sends condolences over Zanzibar ferry tragedy

THE EU and its member states in Tanzania have sent condolences to Tanzanian authorities following the ferry disaster that claimed over 200 lives. In a joint statement issued to the public on September 12, the EU said:

"It is with great sadness and regret that the European Union and its Member States have heard of the tragic loss of so many lives as a result of the capsizing of MV Spice Islander off the coast of Zanzibar," the statement said adding:

"We would like to express our deep condolences and sympathy to the bereaved families and friends, as well as to the Governments of the United Republic of Tanzania and the People's Revolutionary Government of Zanzibar."

It concludes "the European Union, as a long and trusted partner, stands ready to offer its support to deal with the consequences of this terrible tragedy."



EU flags flying half mast at Umoja House in Dar es Salaam after the government declared three days of national mourning following the ferry accident in Zanzibar. Photo: Emmanuel Kihale



Tanzania commended for naturalizing refugees



Refugees attending a meeting that was attended by the delegation. Photo: Tom Vens

Home, Shamsi Vuai Nahodha, has extended the deadline for returning of Burundian refugees to December 2012 following recent armed conflicts in their home country.

Regarding the Nyarugusu refugees' camp, the delegation noted concerns expressed by Congolese refugees about security conditions in their country, notably challenges ahead of the forthcoming elections.



Children refugees welcoming the delegation. Photo: Tom Vens

A DELEGATION of European Union Ambassadors to Tanzania and Burundi and representatives from the United Nations Refugees' Agency (UNHCR) commended Tanzania's decision to naturalise thousands of refugees from Burundi.

selected regions of Tanzania. This exercise will be led by the Prime Minister's Office – Regional Administration and Local Government (PMO-RALG) with the support from UNHCR and other UN agencies.

In May this year, a tripartite commis-

Mission members were encouraged by recent discussions initiated by the Government of Tanzania regarding the continuation of facilitation of voluntary repatriation to the DRC.

While hearing the concerns of the community and ensuring they would have access to appropriate health and education facilities, the EU Ambassador to Tanzania, Tim Clarke, said;

sentative to Tanzania, Mr. Oluseyi Bajulaiye assured the refugees of his agency's determination to help them settle in Tanzania.

"We are waiting for the Government decision on when to start the relocation. UNHCR will closely follow and monitor your integration into the country with the support of our partners," he assured the newly naturalized Tanzanians adding:

"Thanks to our donors, we will enhance the social services in the receiving regions to make sure that the local communities will also benefit from your presence."

The delegation visited refugee camps in Western Tanzania with the objective of assessing the situation of the refugees in camps within the Kigoma region.



Ambassadors Clarke (left) and de Loecker (right) together with the UNHCR Representative to Tanzania Mr. Bajulaiye (centre) shaking hands at the Nyarugusu refugees' camp. Photo: Jerome Seregni

It was led by EU Ambassadors to Burundi and Tanzania, Stefan de Loecker and Tim Clarke, and UNHCR's Representative in Tanzania, Mr. Oluseyi Bajulaiye.

sion between the governments of Tanzania and Burundi, together with UNHCR, agreed to close Mtabila camp for Burundian refugees by 31 December 2011.

"Tanzania is at a crossroads in how to deal with refugees, many of whom have been hosted by the Government for four decades. All parties want to make the naturalisation and the relocation process a real success – a win-win for all, but no one should underestimate the challenges ahead."

On his part, the UNHCR's repre-

Other members of the delegation were Head of the Political Section of the Delegation of the EU in Tanzania, Tom Vens, the ECHO team in Burundi, Isabelle D'Haudt and Alexis Mangona, the UNHCR Deputy Representative to Burundi, Barry Abdoulaye, the UNHCR Head of Makamba office in Burundi, Wella Kouyou, and the UNHCR Associate External Relations Officer to Tanzania, Jerome Seregni.

The Government of Tanzania was represented by Deusdedit Masusu, from the Ministry of Home Affairs and Swahiba Mndeme, from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

It described the Tanzanian government's approach to refugees as a 'commendable gesture of generosity that is exemplary in finding durable solutions for protracted refugee situations'.

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The Tanzanian Government has granted citizenship to 162,000 former Burundian refugees who entered the country in the 1970s following armed conflicts in their former country.

Under the agreement, the EU will support UNHCR and its partners to facilitate the voluntary repatriation and the gradual integration of these refugees in their country of origin.

As a result of the mission the EU and UNHCR will focus on providing suitable conditions in Burundi to promote the return process.

However, recently Minister of



Getting explanation from a UNHCR official. Photo: Tom Vens



EAC-EU EPA negotiations recommence in Zanzibar



Peter Thompson

"We are pleased that the EAC/EU EPA negotiations have recommenced."

THE European Union and East African Community (EAC) senior and technical level negotiators met mid September in Zanzibar - after a break of 14 months - for Economic Partnership Agreement negotiations. The meetings made good progress in setting an agenda for negotiations over the coming months.

The parties jointly agreed to make progress in negotiations particularly on three fronts - economic and development co-operation; rules of origin and agriculture. The next formal joint negotiation session is scheduled to take place in mid December; a

number of inter-session meetings at expert level will prepare the ground.

"We are pleased that the EAC/EU EPA negotiations have recommenced," said Peter Thompson - the senior official leading the EU negotiation team. "Last week's meetings allowed us to map the areas still remaining to be negotiated. The EU views the comprehensive EPA negotiations as an opportunity to settle outstanding matters - such as agriculture and development co-operation."

The EAC is embarking on an ambitious and successful regional integration process. The EU, which

has built its own prosperity on a model of regional integration, is seeking to further strengthen this local integration process by maintaining a unified trade regime with EAC partner countries through a comprehensive EPA.

A successful outcome of the EPA negotiations will consolidate and strengthen the EAC regional integration and promote the competitiveness of EAC products. In meetings with Peter Thompson, Tanzanian private sector organisations gave their full support to the rapid conclusion of an EPA.

Background to the EPAs

ON 27 November 2007 the East African Community (Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, and Uganda) agreed on a region-to-region interim EPA with the EU. This interim agreement (sometimes called a Framework EPA) mainly covers trade in goods and is a stepping stone towards a full EPA.

Main features of the interim EPA

- Duty free quota free access into the EU for all imports from EAC, with transition periods for rice and sugar
- Asymmetric and gradual opening of the EAC to EU goods, taking full account of the differences in levels of development between them and the EU (see below)
- Trade defence provisions with safeguards allowing each party to reintroduce duties if imports of the other party disturb or threaten to disturb their economy
- Rules of Origin (subject to review in the full EPA negotiations)

- Dispute avoidance and settlement provisions (more elaborate provisions will be negotiated for the full EPA)

A chapter on fisheries (see below under "other features")



Fish fillets are among the biggest exports from EAC to EU

Goods covered by liberalisation

All imports from EAC countries have entered the EU duty and quota free since the 1st of January 2008 (transition period for rice expired in 2010 and for

sugar will expire in 2015). Over the next 25 years, EAC will liberalise 82.6 percent of imports from the EU by value (65 percent by 2010, 80 percent by 2023 and the remainder by 2033).

Goods excluded from liberalisation

The EAC decided to exclude the following products from liberalisation; agricultural products, wines and spirits, chemicals, plastics, wood based paper, textiles and clothing, footwear, ceramic products, glassware, articles of base metal and vehicles.

Other features

The agreement contains an extensive fisheries chapter, mainly aiming to reinforce cooperation on the sustainable use of resources (such as resource assessment and management, monitoring environmental, economic and social impacts, conformity with existing national laws and relevant international instruments, effective).

For the latest state of play, please see:

http://ec.europa.eu/trade/issues/bilateral/regions/acp/regneg_en.htm

For dates of EPA negotiating Rounds see:

http://ec.europa.eu/trade/issues/bilateral/regions/acp/epa_calendar_en.htm



EU gives Tshs. 16 billion to support rural electrification in Tanzania



Setting up of a solar system

ON September 20 the Delegation of the European Union in Tanzania, the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs (National Authorising Officer of the European Development Fund) and the Rural Energy Agency approved the signature of five Grant Contracts for a total amount of EUR 7,200,000 (app. 16 billions Tshs.) in order to increase access to modern energy services in rural areas.

This will be funded through a grant from the 10th European Development Fund (2008-2013).

The 5 projects, selected after a competitive Call for Proposals launched in August 2010, will focus on the delivery of electricity to rural populations in several regions of the country (Iringa, Morogoro, Tanga, Kagera, Mwanza, Mara) through the utilisation of renewable energy resources (hydro, solar and biogas).

It is estimated that a total of 160,000 people will directly benefit from these projects. The most important expected results are (to be delivered in the coming 4 years), the construction of a new hydropower plant in Msolwa (total capacity of 1 MW) with the installation of an initial 200 connections (households, social services and SMEs), and the upgrade of the existing Mawengi hydropower plant to a total capacity of 300 kW and the installation of 800 additional connections (households, social services and SMEs).

Others include the upgrade of the existing Ikondo hydropower plant to a total capacity of 320 kW and the installation of 130 additional connections (households, social services and SMEs), the installation of 15,000 individual Solar Household Sys-



Director General of the Rural Energy Agency, Dr. Lutengano Mwakahesya (right), EU Ambassador to Tanzania, Tim Clarke, Head of Programmes of the National Authorising Office (NAO-Ministry of Finance), Sadick Magwaya and a senior official from the Ministry of Energy and Minerals, Eng. Frank-Ole Mejsoli exchanging documents after signing the energy projects contracts. Photos: Emmanuel Kihale

tems through an innovative approach of "clusters" targeting farmers and workers associations in the Lake Region and the distribution and installation of 10,000 households biogas systems using an innovative, affordable and locally produced plastic technology (digester) offering decisive advantages to end users.

Tim Clarke, Ambassador and Head of European Union Delegation in Tanzania said;

"At a time of increasing concern about providing long-term, guaranteed, energy resources, I am very happy to announce these five renewable energy projects today. The potential for further investments of this sort is huge. They are particularly suitable for isolated rural communities that could never normally have access to mains electricity. A 'renewable energy reflex' should be promoted throughout Tanzania."

He added that this will make a direct and important contribution to the poverty reduction of rural populations. It also reaffirms the commitment of the European Union to support the Tanzanian

Government in the Energy Sector. "This event materialises as a result of strong but still growing partnership that the European Union Delegation in Tanzania and Ministry of Energy and Minerals and the Rural Energy Agency," said, Dr. Lutengano Mwakahesya, the Director General of the Rural Energy Agency (REA) adding:

"REA has experience in working with project developers implementing these projects...and all have received funds from the Rural Energy Fund to finance other projects or part of the projects they have won under 10th EDF program. We are confident that the same will be seen in the course of implementation of these projects".

"Effective and efficient utilization of the projects resources provided by the EU requires continued strong cooperation between project implementing partners," said Sadick Magwaya, Head of Programmes of the National Authorising Office at the Ministry of Finance.

He pledged full support from his office to ensure successful implementation of the projects.

Press Headlines

EU envoy's call on rural power

By Frank Kimboy
The Citizen Reporter

Dar es Salaam. The government and other stakeholders.

EU grants 16bn/- to rural electricity

EU yatoa Sh. bilioni 16 kusaaidia umeme vijijini

EU yatoa Sh16 bilioni kusaaidia umeme vijijini

EU tips Tanzania on energy use

Only 2 per cent get power in rural areas



Fr. David Kalyosi, Msolwa Secondary School Manager presenting a synopsis of the Msolwa Hydropower project



Employers asked to hire people with disabilities



Deputy National Authorizing Officer Samuel Marwa (right) sharing a light moment with the guest of honour, Dr. Mahanga

THE Government has asked all the employers in the country to make sure that they abide by labour laws which require them not to discriminate against people with disabilities in recruitment for formal jobs.

Speaking in Dar es Salaam on Septem-

on the abilities and skills of persons with disabilities, promote formal employment of persons with disabilities, to facilitate and contribute to a more inclusive society in which all members can participate equally.

The projects are run by CCBRT (a local indigenous provider of surgical and rehabilitation services to people with disability), CEFA (an Italian NGO with major focus on rural development) and Radar Development (a not-for-profit division of Radar Group Ltd. which provides services to employers), with support from the European Union.

The Deputy Minister highlighted important positive discriminatory provision set out by the Employment and Labour Relations Act which calls upon all employers with 20 or more employees to reserve at least 3 percent of the registered jobs for per-



A cross-section of people who attended the launch of the EmployAbility Project and Disability Employment Campaign. Photos: Emmanuel Kihale

April last year to domesticate the UN Convention.

Dr. Mahanga said that he felt very honoured to launch the CCBRT, CEFA and Radar Development national campaign for inclusive employment and pledged government's full support in its implementation.

On his part, the Head of the European Union in Tanzania, Ambassador Tim Clarke, commended efforts by the government in addressing rights of people with disabilities but noted that there is still more to be done.

"The EU has become a major player in recognising this problem (discrimination of people with disabilities), and is trying to do something about it. And here in Tanzania we're determined to make a difference and this is why we've offered our full support to these initiatives by our partners," he said.

"...all employers both private and public are urged to reserve three percent of their jobs for persons with disabilities ,"



From left-Erwin Telemans (CCBRT CEO), Dr. Milton Makongoro Mahanga (Deputy Minister for Labour and Employment), Dario Nicola (CEFA Country Director), EU Ambassador Tim Clarke and Jonathan Sutton (Radar Group Ltd. CEO)

ber 22, the Deputy Minister for Labour and Employment, Dr. Milton Makongoro Mahanga while quoting various legal provisions, said that it was illegal for employers to deny jobs to people on the basis of their disabilities.

"...Section 7(4) of the Employment and Labour Relations Act prohibits any employer who discriminates against an employee in any employment policy or practice on reasons of disability, among others," he cited.

He was speaking during the launch of EmployAbility Project and Disability Employment Campaign that he presided over as a guest of honour. The two initiatives aim to raise awareness



sons with disabilities.

"...to contribute to an inclusive and equitable society and long-term economic success of our nation, all employers both private and public are urged to reserve three percent of their jobs for persons with disabilities. And this is a legal requirement," he stated.

According to him, the government has taken a number of steps to address the plight of people with disabilities in the country including passing of laws and policies. He also said that the country has also ratified the United Nations Convention on the Rights with Disabilities. A law-The Persons with Disabilities Act was passed by the National Assembly in



The Head of the Delegation of the EU in Tanzania, Ambassador Tim Clarke (right), stressing a point during the launch of the Employability Project and Disability Employment Campaign. Next to him is the Deputy Minister for Labour and Employment, Dr. Milton Makongoro Mahanga who was the guest of honour at the function.

Regional exporters undergo training for accessing EU market

ON September 6 and 8, the European Commission together with the Tanzania Directorate of Fisheries Development held a training workshop in Dar-es-Salaam to enable regional exporters of food of animal origin access the European Union market.

The training, which attracted 25 participants from Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania and Mauritius, focused on Trade Control and Expert System (TRACES) and official control procedures for food of animal origin imported into the EU market. The participants also included experts from export quality control institutions of the respective countries.

It was part of the European Commission Directorate-General for Health and Consumers' Better Training for Safer Food (BTSF) programme.

Speaking at the opening, Head of EU's TRACE Unit at the Directorate of Health and Consumers in Brussels, Didier Carton, said that the objective of the workshop was to help East African countries to manage all exports to the EU in order to protect human and animal health.

"The workshop also will help to facilitate the relations and trade between the EU and the East

African countries," he said.

The training was meant to increase participants' knowledge of EU rules and requirements as regards official control procedures for food of animal origin imported

into the EU market and allow them to use TRACES, a web-application delivering export certificates on-line.

This aimed to enable them to make sure that food of animal origin exported to the EU fulfils the conditions for admission to the EU Market. The use of TRACES will also provide them with tools designed to ease their tasks and increase the security of the data.

One of the participants, Prof. Sarah Olemba, who is the African Union Commission BSTF focal point, was confident of the benefits of the workshop.

"I believe we as a region shall benefit from the TRACE system," she said while urging the EU to assist the EAC member states in implementing the system.

Earlier on, speaking at the opening of the workshop, Ambassador Tim Clarke- the Head of the Delegation of the European Union to Tanzania, de-



Ambassador Clarke(right) speaking at the official opening of the workshop. Next is Didier Carton. Photos: Emmanuel Kihaule

scribed the workshop as timely and opportune.

"It's so timely. Recently there was a visit to Tanzania by an inspection mission from the European Commission to check on quality of institutions handling fish exports to the EU. The report showed that Tanzania is doing its job well," he revealed.

"The workshop will also help to facilitate the relations and trade between the EU and the East African countries,"

He also said that the EU is about to approve about 15 million Euros (about Tshs. 36 billion) in a few weeks' time for promotion of trade and agriculture with special focus on promoting associations dealing with improvement of sanitary standards to secure external markets in the EU and elsewhere.

"I hope you'll have a very fruitful workshop and return to your countries fully aware of the new challenges you'll face in promoting fisheries and fish governance in this region," he told the participants.



Prof. Sarah Olemba



Some of participants who attended the official opening of the workshop



TaCRI appreciates EU's support as it celebrates its 10th Anniversary



The then Acting Kilimanjaro Regional Commissioner, Said Kalembo giving remarks on behalf of Minister for Agriculture, Food and Cooperatives, Prof. Jumanne Maghembe at the climax of TaCRI's 10th Anniversary celebrations at Lyamungu

THE Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Tanzania Coffee Research Institute (TaCRI), Vedastus Ngaiza, recently commended the European Union for its support to the institute since its inception in 2000.

Speaking at the climax of celebrations to mark TaCRI's 10th Anniversary on September 9 at Lyamungu, Hai district-Kilimanjaro region, Mr. Ngaiza said that the institute recorded a lot of achievements in the past 10 years thanks to support from the EU and other stakeholders.

"We very much appreciate the huge financial support that we have been receiving from the European Union since the inception of TaCRI," he acknowledged.

He said that TaCRI was going to conduct a number of activities as part of the celebrations including inauguration of a number of publications around coffee farming.



Coffee farmers admiring a demonstration farm at TaCRI Lyamungu headquarters on the sidelines of the celebrations

Other activities included recognition of individuals and institutions/organisations that have enabled TaCRI to reach where it is now, inauguration of a short documentary on successes and challenges met by TaCRI in the past decade.

Lastly, Mr. Ngaiza revealed, TaCRI was going to launch a campaign to produce 200 million high yielding coffee seedlings for the coming 10 years.

On his part, TaCRI's Chief Executive Officer Prof. James Teri, enlisted achievements that his institute has managed to record in the past ten years. He said that his team diligently



Ambassador Clarke (right) admiring a gift given to him by TaCRI's Board Chairman, Mr. Ngaiza (left) in appreciation of his support to the coffee industry in the country

contributed to the creation and running of a coffee research institute that is well managed, financially sustainable, stakeholder driven, and which is respected both nationally and internationally.

For instance, he said, TaCRI has built a national capacity to produce 15-20 million clonal (vegetative) seedlings which is a record that Tanzania had never achieved before.

"This is a golden opportunity for the Tanzanian coffee industry. The global demand for coffee, especially quality or specialty coffee, is high-

exceeding supply. Prices are good and forecasted to continue increasing," he said.

Prof. Teri said that TaCRI has appropriate technologies to increase productivity and quality, at the same time reducing production costs for a more profitable coffee industry.

"Our growers have never been more motivated. This is the time to usher in a coffee green revolution in Tanzania!" he observed.

In his remarks, the Head of the EU Delegation in Tanzania Ambassador Tim Clarke, commended efforts by TaCRI.

"Coffee production is beginning to flourish in Tanzania. Production and yields are increasing. Quality is increasing. New areas are coming under cultivation. Innovation in marketing is being employed to reap its rewards. Coffee farmers are making more money."

However, Ambassador Clarke noted that the coffee industry in the country has also been subjected to challenges. He noted that poorly functioning infrastructure, energy shortages, bureaucratic procedures, inaccessibility to adequate credit, poorly functioning extension and service systems and non-transparent land tenure arrangements.

Nevertheless, he said, TaCRI was a real beacon of hope for coffee growers and indeed a model to other research institutes in the country amidst all these challenges.



Ambassador Clarke (right), the then Acting Regional Commissioner for Kilimanjaro, Said Kalembo (centre) cutting a ribbon to inaugurate a monument for TaCRI's 10th anniversary celebrations. Looking on is the Hai District Commissioner, Dr. Norman Sigalla. Photos: Emmanuel Kihale

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TaCRI's CEO, Prof. Teri (left) chatting with a Programme Officer from the National Authorising Office at the Ministry of Finance, Victoria Mwanukuzi (right) on the sidelines of the celebrations.



EU, CSOs call upon Tanzania to domesticate the Rome Statute



The Executive Director of International Court of Justice (ICJ)-Kenya, George Kegoro, giving remarks at the opening of the workshop. Next to him is Ambassador Tim Clarke, Representative from Attorney General Office, Mathew Mwaimu, and the Executive Director of the Children Education Society (CHESO) Richard Shilamba

THE European Union has called upon the government to see to it that Tanzania domesticates the Rome Statute on the International Criminal Court (ICC).

Speaking at the opening of a sensitization workshop for Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) on the ICC recently, EU Ambassador to Tanzania, Tim Clarke, commended Tanzania for signing and ratifying the Rome Statute but asked the country to domesticate the law.

He added that Tanzania promised to adopt specific national measures for implementing the Rome statutes and to start contributing to the ICC's Trust Fund for victims of international crimes.

According to Ambassador Clarke, the EU believes the promotion and protection of human rights is the work of everyone in the society and that the ICC was an important tool in realizing that.

"I myself as Head of the EU Delegation and EU Ambassador to Tanzania am mandated and obliged to monitor the way in which my host country, Tanzania, implements the Rome Statute."

The envoy said many communities and individuals who are scarred by atrocities have a place and an opportunity to bring cases to or to attract the attention of the ICC.

Ambassador Clarke said the EU sometimes failed to understand why several countries have yet to ratify and domesticate the statutes despite having signed it.

He cited the recent attempts by Kenya to

call into question the jurisdiction of the ICC and protests against arrest warrants issued by the ICC for Sudan President Omar Al-Bashir as example of such cases.

He called upon countries to abide by agreements they have voluntarily entered.

Ambassador Clarke commended Tanzania for signing and ratifying the statute and also for supporting the ICC through attending meetings and budgetary contributions.

However, he said, of some concern was that the country has not domesticated the Rome Statute into national legislation.

"Tanzania must become a model by taking a lead in domesticating the statute, just as it has been a model in preserving peace and justice in the region,"

For his part, the Executive Director, International Court of Justice (ICJ)-Kenya, George Kegoro said that Africans must campaign for their justice rather than depending on justice fighters from outside Africa.

Kegoro added that Tanzania must become a model by taking a lead in domesticating the statute, just as it has been a model in preserving peace and justice in the region.

The Executive Director of the Children Education Society (CHESO) Richard Shilamba said children were the main victims of grave crimes committed in violation of the international laws.

Shilamba said that more than 250,000 children are still serving in armed groups around the world.

"If supported, the ICC will accelerate justice for children who are most affected by conflicts especially in African countries," he noted.



Workshop participants taking a group photo with the EU Ambassador, Tim Clarke together with officials from CHESO, ICJ-Kenya and Attorney General Chambers. Photos: Emmanuel Kihale



STAFF CORNER

Good-bye



I had the honour and pleasure of serving you in my capacity of Regional Security Officer. Your kindness and support you offered to me have been great GIFTS to me.

I wish the best to you and your families. You will be in my heart forever.

Take care.

Diego Sanches



I will not forget my three great years in this country of Africa where the sun always shines. Tanzania is a very nice country to live in, with a rich Swahili culture that should be even more promoted at international level for the sake of its people and its development.

My experience was very good and friendly with colleagues who are doing a great job. I have been involved in following up activities implemented by NGOs and was amazed by the determination of different

actors, working to bring a change in education, health and agriculture.

However, there are quite big challenges for the country if it is to record economic independence. I hope that Tanzania will not only rely on its mineral riches, but also make full use of its human, other natural and environmental potential in bringing about prosperity to its people.

You may say 'Hakuna Matata!', then, we'll see in 20 years.

Dominique Dumont

I can't believe I am going to leave you (Tanzania colleagues) now.... I have really enjoyed my three years in Tanzania and each contributed to that in one way or the other. So, once again, a very big **THANK YOU** and I hope we will stay in touch.



I wish happiness for you and your beloved ones!

Anne-Clare Leon



Many thanks for the support you offered to me during my one and half years stay at the Delegation.

I believe my work and life at Umoja House would have been difficult without your collaboration that created a conducive environment for working.

Both my heart and sprit will never forget you. I know it is hard to say goodbye but so long as we are still alive I believe we will be able to meet one day.

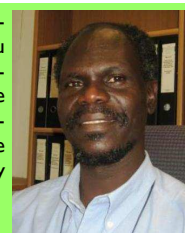
Ferdinand Mgaya

Working at the Delegation was so great. I now leave for a similar post in Cambodia and I believe I'll find it as beautiful and welcoming as it was the case with Tanzania



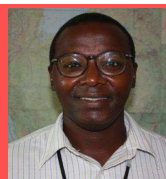
Veronique Puttevils

Let me take this opportunity to thank you all, for the cooperation we had and the assistance you extended to me in the course of fulfilling my duties.



I wish you all, good health. Kwa heri ya kuonana. Asanteni.

Yerima Maganja



I would very much like to thank all the colleagues for your assistance, friendship and co-operation that you gave me during the one year that I have been here at the Delegation.

It has been a great learning experience for me and I have met many interesting and diverse people, and travelled to interesting places too!

I will miss all of you and hopefully I may have a chance meet and interact with at least some of you in the future.

Buberwa Kemibaro

I am leaving Tanzania after four beautiful years.

I wish to say a special thank you to all the staff who helped me since day one.

Raimondo Busi



Welcome



After almost seven years in finance and contracts' Section at the headquarters in Brussels, time had come to change and moving to a delegation was an interesting challenge. Tanzania was my first choice and I'm glad that finally I've made it. So far it's already a great experience. I'm convinced that I will learn a lot and enjoy my time here.

Aude Marechal

I'm very pleased to be here after many years (perhaps a few too many?) spent at the EU Headquarters. I wish to thank all the colleagues of the Delegation for their warm welcome, and hope to be able to make a positive contribution to the cause.

Gianluca Azzoni



I am glad to have joined the Delegation of the European Union in Tanzania and I hope to achieve a great deal.

Deusededit Munthali

After almost seven years in Cambodia, I was looking for new challenges and I am very glad I could join the EU Delegation here. I would like to thank everybody for being very welcoming and for helping me to settle down. I am looking forward to working closely together and also to discovering this wonderful country.

Virginie Sirecki



Up-coming Events

- 1) **Launch of the Road Safety Campaign October**
- 2) **Tanzania Gives Back Award gala November**
- 3) **Tanzania's 50th Anniversary Celebrations' climax December 9**
- 4) **European Film Festival January/February 2012**
- 5) **Mandela Express Highway project hand over-November 2011**
- 6) **Inauguration of anti-retroviral AIDS vaccine production 1st December**

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