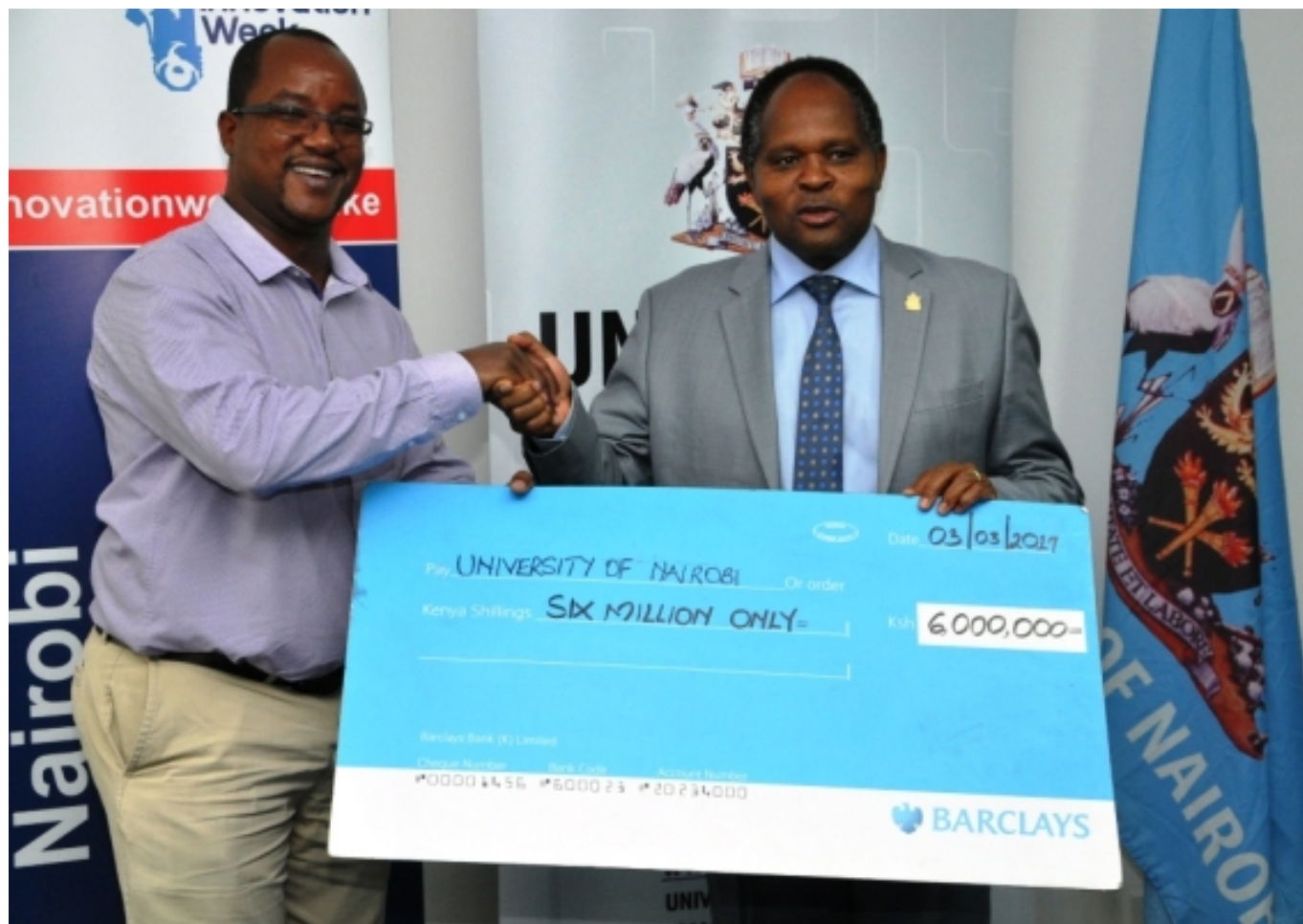


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Barclays Bank of Kenya , the title sponsor for Nairobi Innovation Week, has donated Kshs. 6M towards Nairobi Innovation Week. The cheque was received by the University of Nairobi Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Peter Mbithi, today, March, 3, 2017.

The flagship program of the University of Nairobi have received sponsorship from various government and corporate entities among them: KCB Group Kshs. 3 Million, Safaricom Limited Kshs. 1 million, NIC Bank Ksh. 250,000, Climate Change Innovations Center Ksh. 500,000, University of Nairobi Alumni Kshs. 500,000, Tecno Mobile donated equipment for youth competition. Other sponsors include; Unicef, Embassy of Finland, Uber Kenya among others.

Speaking during the cheques presentation exercise in the Council Chamber, University Towers, University of Nairobi Vice-Chancellor Prof. Peter Mbithi thanked Barclays Bank of Kenya for having been very supportive to the University of Nairobi , especially in its innovations endeavours. The bank has supported Innovation Week, for the last three years. He observed that the objective of the Innovation Week is to encourage public participation, showcase innovations by researchers and promote skills and provide support mechanisms for innovation.

In his concluding remarks, the Vice-Chancellor challenged the academia to lead in the production of knowledge and provide solutions to solve local and global challenges. He also took the opportunity to thank the partners for supporting the innovation ecosystem in the country.

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The theme of the Nairobi Innovation Week is: Innovating to solve pressing local and global challenges. The event will be held on March 6-10, 2017 and will be at Great Court, Main Campus.

Some of the side events to be held include: workshops, seminars, hackathons, keynote speeches, entertainment, startups pitching sessions to investors among other events.

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