

# UoN and Kitui County Government sign MoU

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The University of Nairobi (UoN) and Kitui County Government have signed a Memorandum of Understanding, MoU, that will enable the University of Nairobi help the County government in development of a spatial plan, which will help the county in developing its infrastructure. The signing was done on April, 17, 2018 in the Vice-Chancellors Boardroom.

The Vice-Chancellor, UoN, Prof. Peter Mbithi and the Governor, Kitui County, H.E. Charity Ngilu, signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) on behalf of the two entities. The MoU will provide a framework of cooperation and facilitate the collaboration between the two.

The UoN team will offer professional guidance in sustainable urban development in line with national and internationally accepted themes including environment and climate change, land and housing, social economic, social-health, work-livelihoods information and monitoring, capacity building and development and management.

“With the advent of devolution it has become important for universities to work with counties and enhance development,” said the Vice-Chancellor. “The University of Nairobi will continue working with counties. Counties can tap into the rich human capital we have at the University and foster further development. Our College of Architecture and Engineering is well versed with matters planning and as a university, we are committed to this cooperation.”

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The Governor said that with such a plan, the county will realize its full potential.

“A social plan is important for the county. There is a lot of untapped resources in Kitui County and having a plan will enable us tap and realize our full potential,” she said. “The plan will us understand our county better. Proper planning is important as it will help us develop the county further. It will enhance infrastructure development and meet the needs of our people.”

The cooperation will provide an opportunity for practical training and internship for UoN students and research and professional practice with innovation for faculty.

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