



# JULIUS NYERERE LEADERSHIP CENTRE (JNLC)

*A Presidential Initiative*

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OF ACTIVITIES**



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**17th June 1965: Ghanaian Prime Minister Kwame Nkrumah (1902 - 1972, right) talking to the Australian Prime Minister Sir Robert Menzies (1894 - 1978) and President Julius Nyerere of Tanzania at Marlborough House during an informal gathering before the Conference for Commonwealth Prime Ministers.**

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## A BULLETIN OF ACTIVITIES



## Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC)



Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) was established by His Excellency the President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni on October 6th 2018. As a Presidential Initiative, it was to honor the legacy of the late Mwalimu Julius Kambarage Nyerere, the first President of the United Republic of Tanzania.

**His Excellency President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni launching Julius Nyerere Leadership Center (JNLC) on October 6th, 2018**

By contextualising problems and their solutions, Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) draws from a wide variety of approaches, that include, innovative policy leading research and regular cross-generational dialogues and seminars. The seminars and dialogues provide an important platform for distinguished African intellectuals, scholars, other accomplished Africans to share, nurture, mentor, challenge and account to the current and future generations of African leaders. The Centre also undertakes youth leadership training and mentoring to provide students with an understanding of both the formal and informal basic transformative leadership skills needed to enable them to effectively serve and influence policies and programmes.

**Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) has three broad objectives:**

1. To undertake policy-leading research;
2. To conduct youth leadership training that upholds the ideals of unity, community and servant leadership;
3. To host cross-generational seminars and dialogues.

## Esteemed Partners and Friends of Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC)

As we approach the close of a transformative year, I am honored to share with you the **JNLC Bulletin of Activities for 2024**, a testament to the dedication, innovation, and collaboration that have defined our shared journey this year.

Your unwavering support has been the cornerstone of our success, enabling us to overcome significant financial challenges due to an extreme 80% budget cut. These challenges notwithstanding, we have managed to achieve remarkable milestones together. The Bulletin of Activities 2024 showcases the tangible outcomes of our collective efforts, including:

- The **Leadership Training for young women and youth** in the districts of Mbale and Gulu.
- A **Peace and Security Leadership Training for Guild Leaders** in different Universities in Uganda
- A **Peace and Security Leadership Training for Finalists and Graduating Former Student Leaders** in Uganda;
- The **cross-generational conversations – Ekyooto** on Peace and Security featuring influential voices such as Prof. Helen Nabalirwa Nkabala, Prof. Philip Kasaija and Professor Julius Kiiza;
- The **Annual Celebration of Mwalimu Julius Nyerere Birthday**, this year officiated by the new **High Commissioner of the United Republic of Tanzania Ambassador Maj. Gen. Paul Kisesa Simuli**;
- The expansion of the impactful **Let's Talk Series**, focusing on mental health and wellness among students to different colleges in Makerere University;
- Developing the online Leadership Development course for Makerere University students
- Implementing the **EAC Young Leaders' Fellowship Programme in partnership with the EAC Secretariat, the Jakaya M. Kikwete Foundation and MS-TCDC**;
- Launching the **JNLC Basic Kiswahili Curriculum for Young Leaders**;
- Updating the **JNLC Youth Leadership Training Curriculum** to include a module on Social Media, Gender and Environmental Sustainability.

These achievements are a direct result of your commitment and shared vision to empower the next generation of leaders.

As we celebrate the successes of 2024, we are also energised by the possibilities of the year ahead. The Bulletin of Activities offers a glimpse into our future aspirations, where your continued partnership will remain invaluable.

Thank you for your steadfast dedication and for walking this impactful journey with us. Together, we are shaping the minds of future leaders who will drive transformative change in Uganda, the region and beyond.

We look forward to building on this momentum in 2025, achieving even greater milestones through our collaboration.

We remain profoundly grateful to our esteemed co-sponsors and host institutions, Makerere University and the Uganda Management Institute (UMI), for their unwavering support and partnership. Their invaluable contributions, steadfast dedication, and shared vision have been pivotal in fostering the success of the Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre.

To His Excellency, President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for his visionary leadership and dedication to nurturing future leaders have been instrumental in empowering young minds and advancing the principles of servant leadership and Pan-Africanism. We thank His Excellency for championing this transformative initiative and inspiring the next generation to lead with purpose and accountability.

**Warm regards,**

Nansozi K. Muwanga, PhD.  
*Executive Director*

**Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC)**  
*A Presidential Initiative*



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**“We can try to cut ourselves from our fellows on the basis of the education we have had; we can try to carve our for ourselves an unfair share of the wealth of the society. But the cost to us, as well as to our fellow citizens, will be very high. It will be high not only in terms of satisfactions forgone, but also in terms of our own security and well-being.”**

— *Julius Kambarage Nyerere, from his book Uhuru na Maendeleo (Freedom and Development), 1973.*



20 January 2024

## 50th Anniversary of Cuba-Uganda Diplomatic Relations

Uganda Christian University hosted the launch of activities celebrating 50 years of diplomatic relations between Uganda and Cuba. The event was graced by the Vice President of Cuba, H.E. Salvador Valdes Mesa, as the chief guest.

Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) was honored to participate in this historic occasion. During his address, H.E. Salvador Valdes Mesa highlighted the enduring friendship and cooperation between the two nations.



**H.E. Salvador Valdes Mesa, Vice President of Cuba (left), arrives at Uganda Christian University to celebrate 50 years of strong diplomatic ties between Uganda and Cuba**



**H.E Elizabeth Musaazi the Ambassador of Uganda in Cuba ( in red dress) and H.E Tarnia Perez of Cuba to Uganda signoff a memorabilia celebrating 50 years of Uganda- Cuba diplomat relations Uganda Christian University**



22 January 2024

## Zimbabwe Delegation Visits JNLC



Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) hosted a delegation from Zimbabwe led by **Dr. Mutambudzi, Senior Presidential Advisor** on media, alongside the team from Zimbabwe's National Broadcasting Services. This visit was part of activities related to the The 19th Summit of the Non-Aligned Movement that was held in January 2024 in Kampala, Uganda.

Uganda, as the host of the 19th Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) Summit, marked a significant milestone with President Yoweri Museveni assuming the chairmanship of NAM for three years. Held under the theme "Deepening Cooperation for Shared Global Affluence," the summit spotlighted global solidarity and development.

10 February 2024

## 89th GRC School of Forestry, Environmental, and Geographical Sciences Hosts Meet and Greet

Dr. Gardner's address focused on the importance of meaningful interactions in building resilient communities and advancing academic collaboration. Attendees, including students, faculty, and invited guests, engaged in discussions around shared goals and innovative strategies for achieving impactful environmental and geographical science solutions.



The 89th GRC School of Forestry, Environmental, and Geographical Sciences at Makerere University organized a dynamic Meet and Greet event. The gathering was graced by Dr. Gardner Rwakiseta Herbert from Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) as the esteemed guest speaker. This event served as a platform to strengthen unity, foster social capital, and promote professional networking among participants.





20 February 2024

## Leadership Training Program for Rotary Peace Fellows

Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre conducted a Leadership Training Program for Rotary Peace Center Post Graduate Diploma Fellows in Peace Building and Conflict Transformation at the Frank Kalimuzo Building, Makerere University.

The training aimed to equip the Rotary Fellows with transformative leadership skills, both formal and informal, to empower them to effectively serve and influence policies and programs in their respective communities. Participants gained insights into leadership strategies essential for fostering social impact and navigating complex societal challenges.

Dr. Nansozi K. Muwanga, Executive Director of Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre, highlighted the relevance of the training by emphasizing Nyerere's legacy. "Nyerere is identified with two things - Peace and Unity. He was a visionary leader, a tireless advocate for social justice, and a champion of African Unity as the ultimate weapon against neocolonialism and subjugation," she stated.

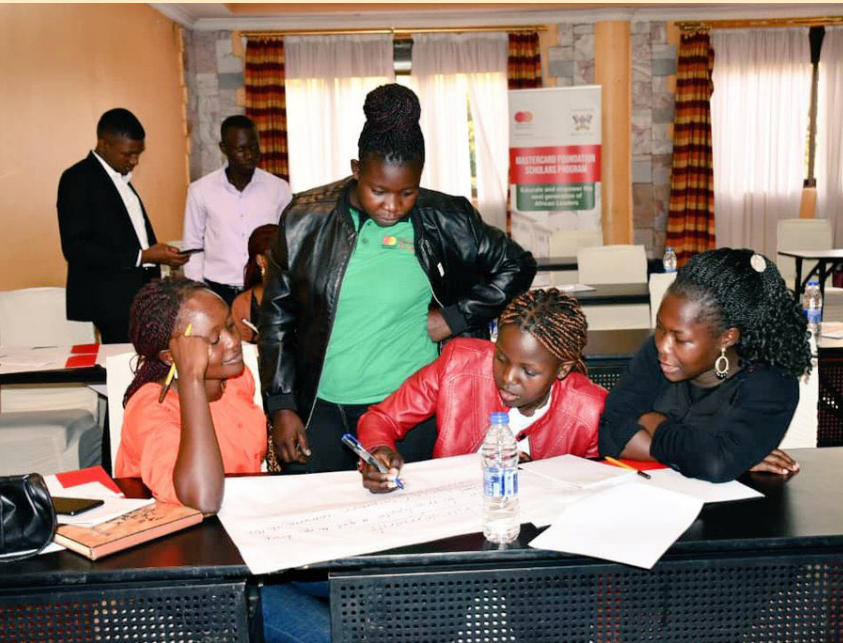


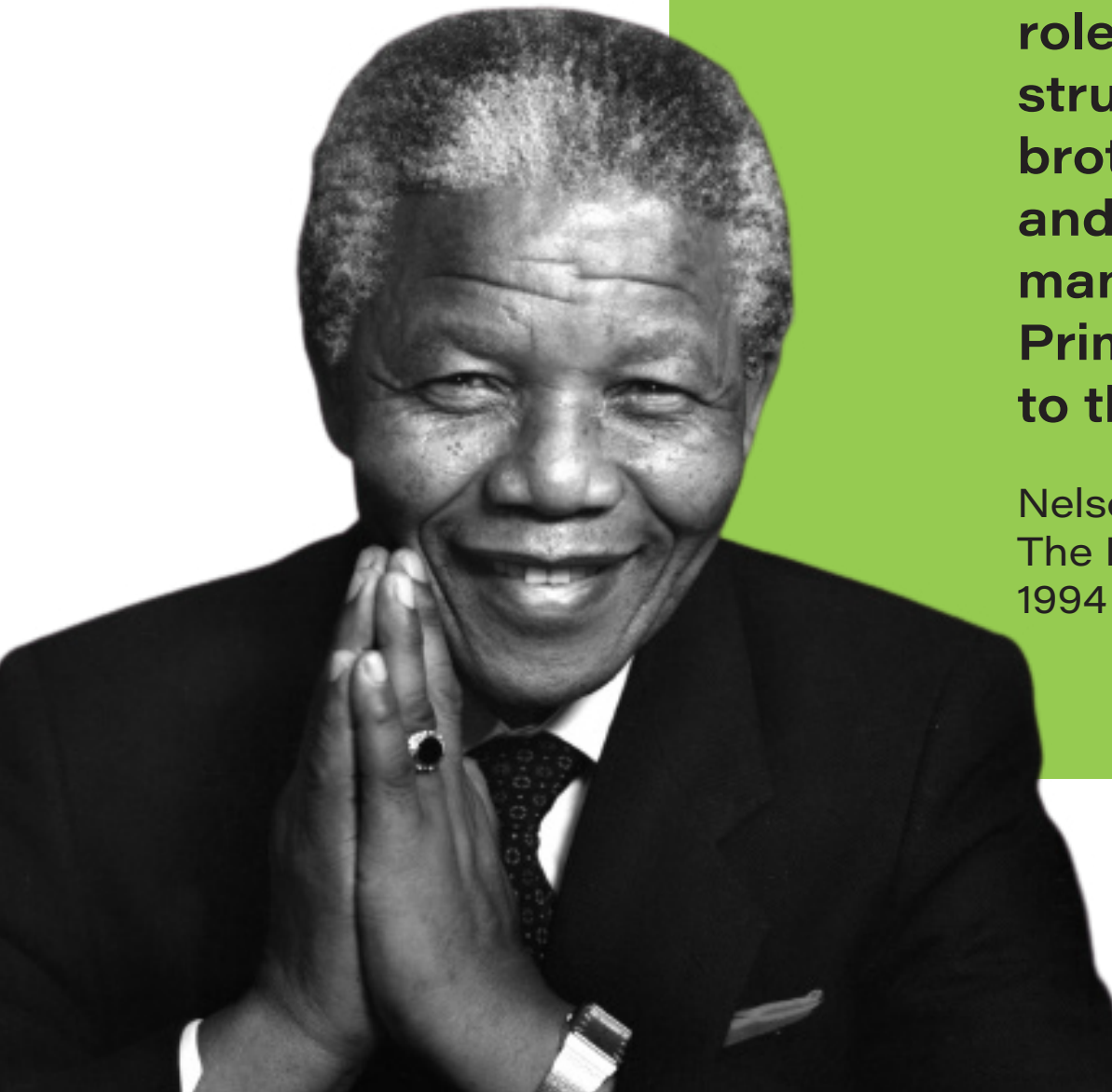
23 February 2024

## Leadership Development Workshop for Scholar Leaders

On 23rd February 2024, the Leadership Development Workshop for Scholar Leaders took place at Royal Suites Bugolobi under the theme “Success is a Choice.” The workshop provided an engaging platform for emerging leaders to explore strategies for intentional decision-making and personal growth.

Dr. Nansozi K. Muwanga delivered an inspiring session on “Committing to Choices that Make and Build a Successful Leader,” emphasizing the role of deliberate, values-driven decisions in achieving leadership success.





**“We must be honest and open about the power relationships between men and women in our society, and we must help build a more enabling and supportive environment that puts the role of women centre stage in this struggle. Each one of us - sister and brother, mother and father, teacher and student, priest and parishioner, manager and worker, Presidents and Prime Ministers, must add our voice to this call for action.”**

Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela.  
The First President of South Africa  
1994 To 1999.



4 March 2024

## The Afro Arab Youth Council (AAYC) 20th Anniversary Youth, culture, peace and wellbeing.

Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) was honored to be part of an impactful intergenerational dialogue focusing on the immense potential of the youth in the African and Arab regions.

The discussions addressed pressing issues such as youth unemployment, gender inequality, and the importance of bridging intergenerational gaps to foster solidarity, innovation, and sustainable development. Notable themes included the need to balance current needs with future aspirations, empower young women, and create policies that ensure opportunities for all.

The dialogue engaged policymakers, youth leaders, and global institutions in panel discussions, exploring strategies to leverage youth potential for achieving Agenda 2063 and the SDGs. Key objectives included amplifying youth voices, promoting innovative problem-solving, and strengthening partnerships between generations.



***"We strive, as an organization, to ensure the conditions of well-being and self-fulfillment for every human being are met, by leveraging the power of education, science and technology"***  
- Dr. Salim AlMalik, ICESCO DG

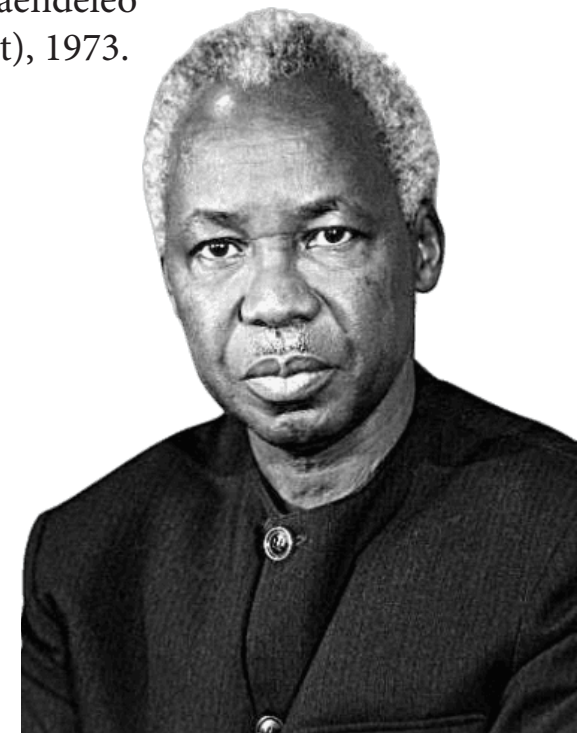




**Prof Roland Lumumba** called for international and regional commitment to education, health and youth participation with a focus on Afro-Arab needs during the 20th #AAYCAnniversary2024: "Youth, peace, culture and wellbeing" held by ICESCO and AaycSecretariat

**"We can try to cut ourselves from our fellows on the basis of the education we have had; we can try to carve our for ourselves an unfair share of the wealth of the society. But the cost to us, as well as to our fellow citizens, will be very high. It will be high not only in terms of satisfactions forgone, but also in terms of our own security and well-being."**

Julius Kambarage Nyerere,  
from his book *Uhuru na Maendeleo*  
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20 March 2024

## Human Development Report 2023/24 (#HDR2024)

*“Breaking the Gridlock: Reimagining Cooperation in a Polarized World.”*

The report underscores the imperative of reimagining cooperation in a polarized world to navigate the challenges of today’s dynamic and global economy. In the report Uganda is celebrated for transforming from the least developed country to the low middle income Country.

Dr. Nansozi K. Muwanga(PhD), the Executive Director of Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) was one of the eminent panelists and during the panel session, she emphasized the importance of collaboration among Global South countries. She highlighted key strategies including establishing regional platforms for knowledge exchange, facilitating trade and investment, providing capacity building, sharing technology, aligning with SDGs, collaborating on climate action, fostering triangular cooperation, and mobilizing financial resources. These efforts aim to promote inclusive development and economic growth through shared experiences and collective action.



22 March 2024

## Visit by His Excellency Maj. Gen. Paul Kisesa Simuli

On 22nd March 2024, His Excellency Maj. Gen. Paul Kisesa Simuli, High Commissioner of the United Republic of Tanzania to Uganda, visited Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC). The visit aimed to explore new areas of mutual interest and renew collaboration.





25th March 2024

## Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre Hosts Tanzanian Pastors

Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) was delighted to host a delegation of pastors from Tanzania participating in an evangelical mission in Uganda.

Dr. Nansozi Muwanga, Executive Director of the JNLC, addressed the delegation, emphasizing the Centre's establishment on October 6, 2018, as a Presidential Initiative by His Excellency President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni. She highlighted the Centre's mission to honor the legacy of Mwalimu Julius Kambarage Nyerere through training, nurturing, and mentoring current and future leaders.





**“...intellectuals have a special contribution to make to the development of our nation, and to Africa. And I am asking that their knowledge, and the greater understanding that they should possess, should be used for the benefit of the society of which we are all members.”**

Julius Kambarage Nyerere, from his book *Uhuru na Maendeleo* (Freedom and Development), 1973.



# FRANK KALIMUZO CENTRAL TEACHING FACILITY



13 April 2024

**Celebrating Mwalimu Nyerere's Legacy**

## “Espousing Mwalimu Julius Nyerere’s Enduring Legacy & Values – Lessons for Mother Africa.”



**His Excellency Maj. Gen. Paul Kisesa Simuli, High Commissioner of Tanzania to Uganda, delivers the keynote address.**

In his keynote address, Maj. Gen. Paul Kisesa Simuli expressed gratitude to President Museveni for his support in preserving Mwalimu Nyerere’s legacy. “I wish also to thank H.E Gen. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda, for his great work in ensuring that Mwalimu Nyerere’s legacy continues to be passed down from one generation to another for the unity & prosperity of the people of East Africa,” Maj. Gen. Simuli remarked, acknowledging the pivotal role of leadership in safeguarding Nyerere’s vision.

Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) joined the Tanzanian community in Uganda to mark the 102nd anniversary of Mwalimu Julius Nyerere’s birth. The event, themed Servant Leadership and Unity for Building the Africa We Want, was held in partnership with the High Commission of the United Republic of Tanzania – Kampala and the Tanzania Students Association in Uganda (TSAU).

His Excellency Maj. Gen. Paul Kisesa Simuli, High Commissioner of Tanzania to Uganda, delivered a keynote address titled Servant Leadership and Unity: The Enduring Legacy and Gift of Mwalimu Julius Kambarage Nyerere. The address laid the foundation for engaging discussions with student leaders on leadership, unity, and their role in building a prosperous Africa.



Representing the Vice Chancellor Prof Barnabas Nawangwe, Prof. Josephine Ahikire, Principal of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences at Makerere, emphasized the university's commitment to nurturing Mwalimu Nyerere's legacy. "As Makerere, we have offered the space, we have offered the leadership, and we have worked closely with H.E President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni to ensure that this idea grows," Prof. Ahikire affirmed, underscoring the collaborative effort to uphold Nyerere's ideals.



The launch of the Basic Kiswahili Curriculum by Maj. Gen. Paul Kisesa Simuli, furthering the JNLC's mission to equip young leaders with linguistic and leadership skills. The curriculum launch symbolized a commitment to preserving Nyerere's linguistic heritage while fostering a new generation of Pan-African leaders.



15 March 2024

## H.E Jakaya Kikwete visits Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre

Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) was privileged to welcome H.E. Jakaya Kikwete, the Former President of the United Republic of Tanzania, to our institution, established to commemorate the legacy of the late Mwalimu Julius Nyerere, on the initiative of H.E. President Yoweri K Museveni.



Dr. Nansozi Muwanga, Executive Director of JNLC, and Mr. Andrew Tumusiime, a Board Member of JNLC, extended a warm welcome to H.E. Jakaya Kikwete, accompanied by Maj. Gen. Paul Simuli, High Commissioner of the United Republic of Tanzania to Uganda, as they visited the center.

During his visit, Former President Kikwete also graced the #GuildLeadersSummit2024 at Makerere University as the chief guest. The summit, held at the Yusuf Lule CTF2 Auditorium, brought together emerging and established leaders to explore the theme “Legacy and Leadership: The Power of Knowledge and Cross-Generational Learning.”

In his keynote address, Former President Kikwete emphasized the importance of grooming young leaders, highlighting the value of learning from experienced mentors. His insights resonated deeply with the audience, sparking meaningful discussions on the role of mentorship and knowledge transfer in shaping the future of leadership on the African continent.

The visit of H.E. Jakaya Kikwete serves as a testament to the enduring legacy of Mwalimu Julius Nyerere and underscores the vital role of leadership development initiatives like Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre in driving positive change and sustainable development across Africa.





**“Grooming young people is good in Leadership. You have an opportunity to learn from Experienced Leaders.”**

—H.E Jakaya Kikwete, Former President of the United Republic of Tanzania, delivers his key-note address as Chief Guest at the #GuildLeadersSummit2024



25 March 2024

## Press Conference to launch a pilgrimage to Butiama #TwendeButiama

Afrika Mashariki Fest, in partnership with Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC), launched a pilgrimage to Butiama commemorating 25 years since Mwalimu Julius Nyerere's passing and the revival of the East African Community (EAC).

The press conference took place at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel in Kololo, bringing together dignitaries, scholars, and youth leaders to celebrate Nyerere's legacy and his contributions to Pan-Africanism and regional integration.

Dr. Ronex Kitembo, CEO of Afrika Mashariki Fest, and Dr. Nansozi Suzie Muwanga, Executive Director of JNLC, welcomed HE Maj. Gen. Paul Simuli Kisesa, the High Commissioner of Tanzania to Uganda, as the chief guest.

Dr. Kitembo emphasized the significance of the launch, noting, "This launch is an initiative of Afrika Mashariki Fest. As young people who embody Mwalimu's legacy and values, it's important we visit his ancestral home and resting ground in Butiama for reflection."



Maj. Gen. Kisesa Simuli highlighted Nyerere's pivotal role in establishing the OAU, integrating East Africa, and promoting Kiswahili as a unifying language. He called on Africans to emulate Nyerere's principles to build a more just, equitable, and united Africa.

Julius Nyerere, known as "Mwalimu" (teacher), is celebrated for his visionary leadership and commitment to Pan-Africanism. His philosophy of Ujamaa (African socialism) and efforts to promote education, social justice, and economic self-reliance have left an indelible mark on the continent.



For youth leaders, this occasion holds profound significance, serving as a reminder of the power of visionary leadership and the impact of selfless dedication to the greater good. The pilgrimage to Butiama presented an opportunity for reflection, learning, and the cultivation of leadership qualities that can drive positive change in Africa and beyond.





13 to 14 May 2024

## Fostering Peace Through Social-Emotional Learning

Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC), in collaboration with UNESCO MGIEP, ICOYACA and Independent Continental Youth Advisory Council on AfCFTA (ICOYACA) and the African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM), hosted a transformative workshop on Social Emotional Learning for Youth Waging Peace at the Frank Kalimuzo Building, Makerere University. The event brought together facilitators, experts, and youth leaders to explore innovative ways of addressing violence and promoting peace through emotional intelligence and sociological understanding.



The workshop featured interactive sessions designed to deepen participants' understanding of the causes of violence and the strategies needed to build peaceful communities: Facilitators led discussions on paths to violence, the sociological roots of violent extremism, and the importance of emotional intelligence in peace-building.



**Mr. Zbigniew Paul, Senior Protection Officer at UNHCR Uganda, engaged participants in exploring the achievements of the Regional Youth Peacebuilding Programme, emphasizing community-based approaches to fostering peace.**

7 August 2024

## Empowering Future Leaders: JNLC Engages Students at the School of Education Orientation

On August 7, 2024, Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) actively participated in the School of Education Orientation at Makerere University. This event aimed to inspire new students to embrace the transformative power of education and self-leadership in advancing social justice and community development.

Dr. Gardner Rwakiseta Herbert, JNLC's facilitator, delivered an engaging session that underscored the pivotal role education plays in shaping resilient and visionary leaders. Highlighting the legacy of Mwalimu Julius Nyerere, Dr. Gardner shared his enduring words: "Education is not a way to escape poverty; it is a way of fighting it." The orientation session encouraged students to view education as a tool for empowerment and as a catalyst for meaningful change in their communities. By fostering values of self-leadership and a commitment to social justice, the workshop laid a strong foundation for these future leaders to thrive both academically and as agents of community transformation.



# His Excellency Farah Abdulkadir Visits JNLC

28 August 2024



On August 28, 2024, Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) at Makerere University hosted His **Excellency Farah Abdulkadir, Minister of Higher Education and Culture in the Federal Republic of Somalia**, accompanied by a delegation of seven officials.

Dr. Nansozi Muwanga, Executive Director of JNLC, warmly received the delegation, engaging in meaningful discussions centered on fostering collaboration and expanding opportunities for Somali student engagement. The dialogue highlighted shared aspirations to enhance educational and cultural exchange programs between Uganda and Somalia, leveraging the leadership and academic resources at the JNLC to support Somali students in their academic and professional journeys. The discussions concluded with a renewed commitment to strengthening partnerships that address shared challenges and promote innovative solutions in education and leadership development.



12 September 2024

## **A PEACE & SECURITY LEADERSHIP TRAINING**

On September 12th and 13th, 2024, Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC), in collaboration with the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung Regional Programme Security Dialogue for East Africa (KAS\_SIPODI\_EA) and Makerere University, hosted a transformative Youth Training Program on Peace and Security at the Telepresence Centre, Senate Building, Makerere University. The event gathered youth leaders from different universities across Uganda to address critical topics in peacebuilding and security.



Mr. Nils Wörmer, Director of Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung Regional Programme Security Dialogue for East Africa (KAS\_SIPODI\_EA), delivered the keynote address, highlighting the critical role of partnerships in addressing regional peace and security challenges.



Dr. Nansozi K. Muwanga, Executive Director of JNLC, emphasized the importance of youth leadership in fostering sustainable peace. “Youth are at the center of peacebuilding,” she remarked, encouraging participants to embrace their role as change-makers.



Prof. Philip Kasaija



Ms. Joanna N. Grace



Dr. Solomon Winyi



Ms. Gloria Namata



Ms. Angella Kasekende,

**Regional Peace and Security:** Prof. Philip Kasaija provided an in-depth analysis of peace and security challenges in Uganda and the Great Lakes Region, touching on historical conflicts such as the 1994 Rwandan genocide and regional cooperation through the ICGLR. His presentation emphasized the need for informed leaders in conflict resolution.

**Conflict Analysis and Resolution:** Ms. Joanna N. Grace shared tools for understanding and managing conflicts. Her interactive session equipped participants with practical strategies for addressing disputes effectively within their communities.

**Emotional Intelligence and Mental Wellness:** Dr. Gardner Rwakiseta Herbert, Ms. Gloria Namata, and Mr. Ssazi Ronald led impactful sessions on emotional intelligence in peacebuilding. Participants explored self-awareness, mental health, and their roles in conflict management, gaining insights into building resilience and empathy.

#### Social Media for Peace Advocacy:

Dr. Solomon Winyi explored how digital platforms can amplify peace efforts. He emphasized the importance of targeted messaging and community engagement to drive impactful campaigns, empowering participants to leverage technology for advocacy. The training concluded with a reflective session led by Ms. Gloria Namata, during which participants shared feedback on their experiences. Ms. Angella Kasekende, representing KAS\_SIPODI\_EA, extended gratitude to facilitators and guest speakers, stating, "On behalf of KAS\_SIPODI\_EA, I would like to thank our facilitators and guest speakers for the insightful material tailored for these sessions." The event underscored the vital role of youth in advancing peace and security initiatives and equipped participants with essential tools to build a more peaceful and inclusive society.





16 September 2024

## The 90th Guild Leadership Induction Workshop

On September 16, 2024, Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC), in collaboration with Makerere University, successfully facilitated the 90th Guild Leadership Induction Workshop at the School of Public Health Auditorium. This impactful event was designed to equip the 90th House of Student Guild Leaders with transformative leadership skills to serve effectively and influence university policies throughout their tenure.

The workshop covered critical aspects of leadership, combining theoretical and practical approaches to enhance the participants' capabilities. Key sessions were delivered by renowned facilitators, offering invaluable insights into essential leadership competencies.





### **Effective Communication Strategies**

Ms. Allen Baguma led a dynamic session on mastering communication skills. He shared strategic insights on how clear, impactful communication fosters inspiration, enhances team success, and strengthens the overall influence of a leader.



### **Financial Literacy for Student Leaders**

Ms. Gloria Jombwe provided practical strategies for managing both personal and organizational finances, highlighting how sound financial knowledge supports informed decision-making and sustainable leadership.

The workshop concluded with a renewed commitment by the student leaders to apply these transformative insights in their roles. By focusing on financial management, communication strategies, and emotional intelligence, the JNLC facilitators ensured that the next generation of guild leaders is well-prepared to drive impactful changes within the university.

Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre remains dedicated to fostering visionary leadership, creating platforms for mentorship, and equipping young leaders with the skills necessary to excel in their roles and beyond.

### **Emotional Intelligence and Mental Health**

Dr. Gardner R. H. emphasized the vital role of mental health in leadership, highlighting how it enhances decision-making, resilience, and team relationships. He urged leaders to adopt practices like mindfulness, exercise, and work-life balance while fostering supportive environments. Prioritizing well-being, he noted, empowers leaders to inspire their teams and maintain a culture of care and productivity.



Mbale 19-21 September 2024 | Gulu 23-25 September 2024

## Young Women and Youth Leadership Training



Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC), in partnership with the **United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)**, Makerere University, and the Uganda Management Institute (UMI), conducted a series of transformative youth leadership training workshops in Uganda.

The training, held at the **Islamic University in Uganda (IUIU) from September 19 to 21, 2024**, and at Gulu University from September 23 to 25, 2024, was designed to equip participants with essential leadership skills. With the theme “Leadership Training for Transformative and Inclusive Development,” the initiative aimed to prepare emerging leaders to effectively tackle societal challenges through enhanced communication, decision-making, negotiation, conflict resolution, and leadership within Uganda’s multiparty system. Moreover, it highlighted the critical need for advocacy concerning gender equality and the inclusion of marginalized groups in leadership roles.



Dr. Muwanga, the Executive Director of JNLC, opened the sessions in both regions, delivering inspiring remarks that emphasized the vital role of youth leadership in shaping the future of Uganda and the East African region. She expressed gratitude to UNDP for enabling JNLC to conduct this pivotal training, which drew participants from a competitive pool of hundreds of applicants.

### **Mbale Training Highlights: September 19 to 21, 2024**



In Mbale, **Dr. Jamil Serwanga, IUIU Vice Rector**, emphasized the importance of youth leadership, highlighting how the training empowers young women to lead confidently and overcome barriers.



**Ms. Asumin Nasike, the Resident City Commissioner (RCC) of Mbale**, officially inaugurated the training, encouraging participants to leverage their leadership positions to aspire for higher roles.



**Ms. Annet Mpabulungi Wakabi**, Team Leader for Governance and Peace at the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) also expressed her appreciation for Islamic University in Uganda (IUI-U)'s support in hosting the training and reiterated the importance of empowering young women and youth leaders in active leadership roles. In her impactful address,





## Gulu Training Highlights:

23-25 September 2024

The Gulu training began with a warm welcome from Dr. Orido Kenneth, Dean of the Faculty of Business & Development Studies, who represented Vice-Chancellor Prof. Openjuru George. He commended the initiative for its potential to drive meaningful change among young women and youth leaders. Ms. Wakabi once again voiced her gratitude to Gulu University for hosting the training, acknowledging the role academic institutions play in shaping future leaders.



***Dr. Orido Kenneth, Dean of the Faculty of Business and Development Studies at Gulu University.***



***Ms. Annet Mpabulungi Wakabi, Team Leader for Governance and Peace at the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Uganda***



The closing ceremony in Gulu featured a keynote address by Nwanne Vwede-Obahor, UNDP Uganda Resident Representative, who inspired the participants by redefining leadership. She stated, "Leadership is not about occupying positions or spaces; it is about creating momentum, gathering critical mass, and addressing issues. Anyone can be a leader, anywhere, at any time."



As a token of commitment to climate action, each participant received a young tree to plant, symbolizing growth and sustainability. The #JNLCTraining2024 initiative not only aims to empower future leaders but also reinforces the importance of environmental stewardship.



**YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING**  
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**“Comrades, there is no true social revolution without the liberation of women. May my eyes never see and my feet never take me to a society where half the people are held in silence. I hear the roar of women’s silence. I sense the rumble of their storm and feel the fury of their revolt.”**

*– Thomas Sankara, Women’s Liberation and the African Freedom Struggle*



2 October 2024

## PathwaysToPeace: AFRICAN YOUTH CONVENTION ON AFCFTA, YOUTH, PEACE AND SECURITY



The African Youth Convention on AfCFTA, Youth, Peace & Security, held on October 2, 2024, marked a significant gathering of young African leaders, experts, and policymakers. The two-day event, organized by the Independent Continental Youth Advisory Council on AfCFTA (ICOYACA), took place at the National ICT Innovation Hub, offering a platform for critical discourse on leveraging the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) to advance peace, security, and economic development.

Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) was proud to participate, represented by Dr. Gardner Rwakiseta Herbert, who stood in for the Executive Director, Dr. Nansozi Muwanga. Dr. Gardner also moderated one of the key panel discussions, facilitating engaging conversations among experts and attendees.



## Keynote Address: Pan-Africanism and Youth Empowerment

In his keynote address, Prof. Tim Murithi emphasized the transformative potential of AfCFTA, urging African nations to prioritize unity and collaboration:

**“African Union can use Continental Free Trade as a catalyst, as I mentioned, for deepening Pan-Africanism, and we need to make #PanAfricanism a living project, a work-in-progress.”**

He also highlighted the pivotal role of youth in fostering continental solidarity:

“So I think one way for us to leverage the #AfCFTA is as a Pan-African society working as one through Pan-African solidarity and youth actors. I should say the vibrant youth actors of #Africa have a very important role to play.”



## Championing Peace and Coexistence

**Hon. Amongi Betty Ongom delivered a powerful message on the youth’s active role in peace processes:**

“Today, we must ensure that the youth remain at the centre of this #Peace process, not as passive beneficiaries but as active champions of peace, tolerance, and coexistence.”



11 October 2024

## Resumption of the Let's Talk Series: Promoting Mental Health Awareness at Makerere University

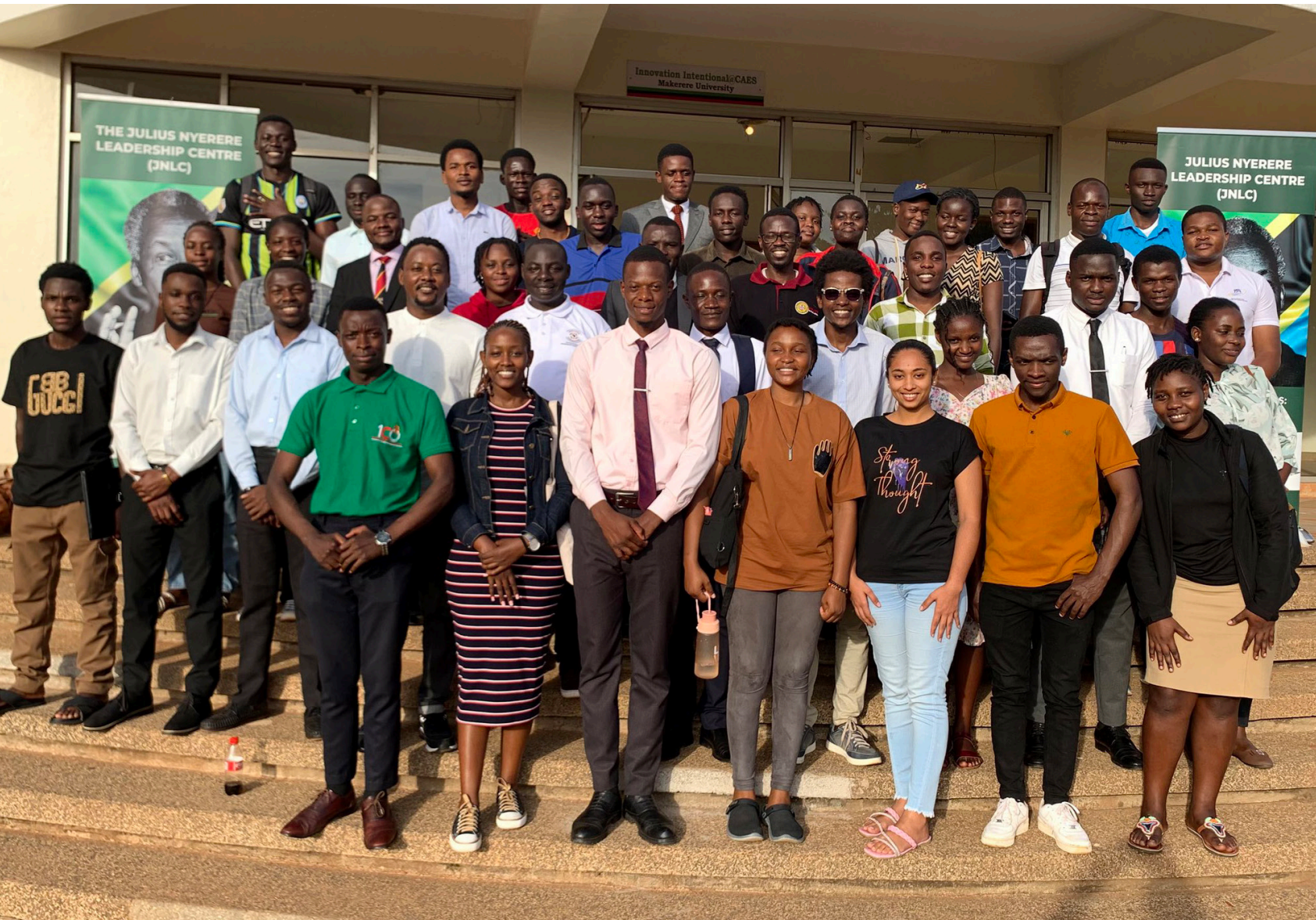


Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) resumed its impactful #LetsTalkSeries24—a mental health awareness program aimed at empowering students at Makerere University. The event, held at the School of Social Sciences, marked the official launch of the Makerere University Mental Health Club.

Dr. Gardner Rwakiseta Herbert, the guest speaker, delivered an inspiring address on the importance of mental health, emphasizing its impact on academic performance and personal well-being. The program reiterated the need to break the stigma surrounding mental health and foster supportive environments for students to seek help when needed.

Further discussions continued on October 25, 2024, at the SFTNB Auditorium, School of Food Technology, Nutrition, and Bio-Engineering (CAES). These sessions reinforced the commitment to mental health awareness as a critical aspect of student life at Makerere University.

Through the Let's Talk Series, the JNLC continues to champion mental wellness, encouraging open dialogue and proactive measures to address mental health challenges.



15 October 2024

# Rotary Peace Fellows Leadership Training



Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) conducted a Leadership Training Program for Rotary Peace Fellows pursuing the Post Graduate Diploma in Peace Building and Conflict Transformation. The training, held at Frank Kalimuzo Hall, Makerere University, was inspired by the enduring ideals of Mwalimu Julius Nyerere, as we commemorate 25 years of his legacy.

Fellows from Cohorts 6 and 8 engaged in a transformative learning experience aimed at equipping them with leadership skills to influence policies and programs within their communities.

Mr. Nyaribi facilitated an insightful session on The Art of Self-Leadership, Servant Leadership, and Tools for Influential Leadership, encouraging Fellows to reflect on Nyerere's commitment to community advocacy and service.



Dr. Nansozi K. Muwanga led discussions on Ethical Leadership, highlighting principles such as honesty and accountability, while addressing the challenges of balancing idealism with practical realities. She emphasized the importance of long-term vision in leadership.


In another session on Strategic Thinking in Communication for Effective Governance, Mr. H. Kasacca stressed the purposeful use of communication as a tool for building trust, persuading, and aligning teams to achieve goals.



Dr. Gardner Rwakiseta Herbert introduced Fellows to practical approaches to leadership concepts, including ethical self-leadership, servant leadership, and transformative leadership, during an engaging team-building session.

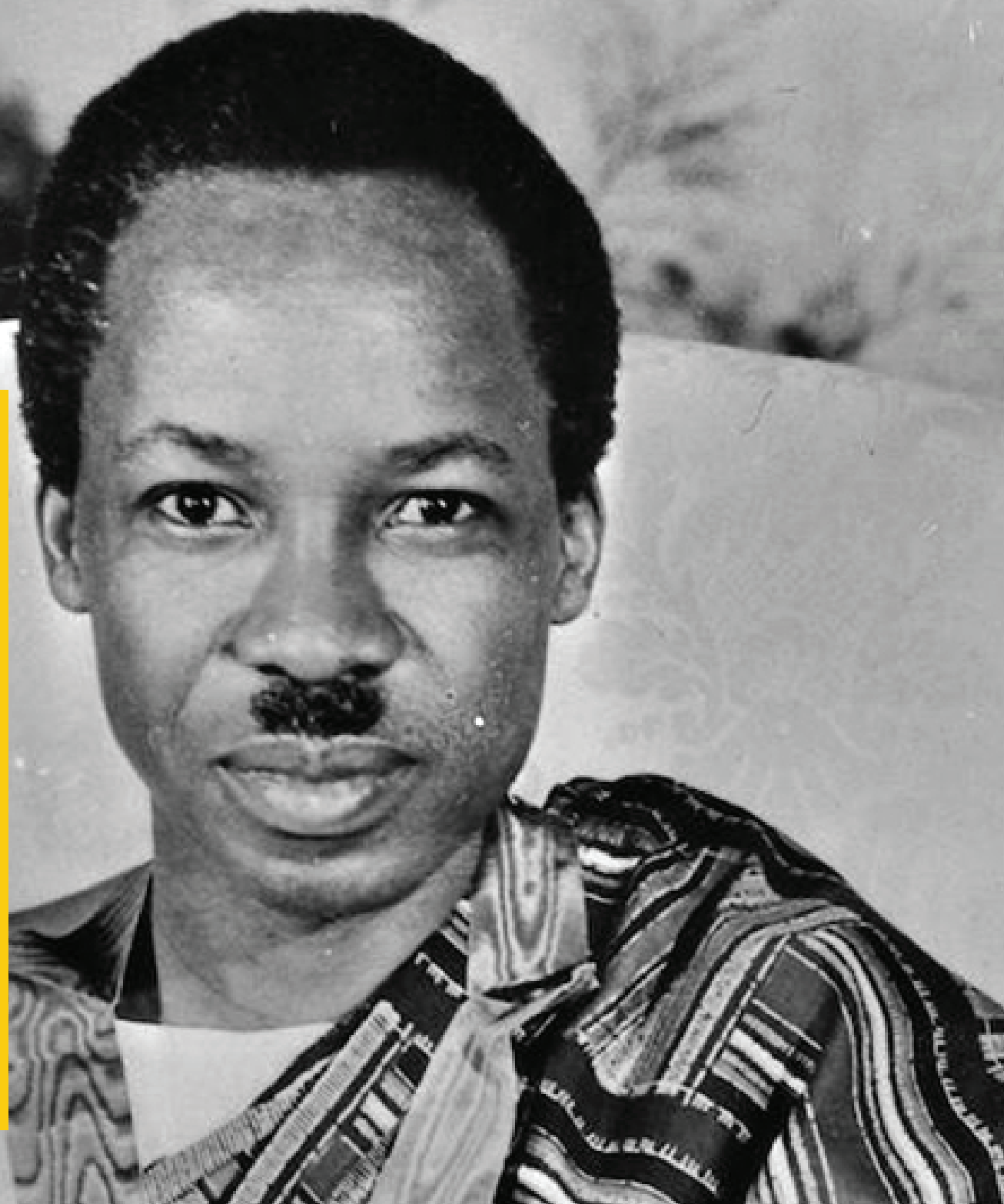


COMMEMORATING  
**25 YEARS**  
  
HIS IDEAS AND LEADERSHIP DEALS LIVE ON.  
Servant Leadership is Transformative Leadership.

ONLY WITH SET APART FREE  


**"The education provided must therefore encourage the development in each citizen of three things; an inquiring mind; and ability to learn from what others do, and reject or adapt it to his own needs; and a basic confidence in his own position as a free and equal member of the society, who values others and is valued by them for what he does and not for what he obtains."**

Julius Nyerere



3rd-8th November 2024

# YouLead Africa Summit 2024





Over 300 delegates from across Africa gathered in Arusha, Tanzania, for the YouLead Africa Summit 2024 under the theme: “Igniting the Potential of Africa’s Youthful Population: Reinstating Education as an Eminent Public Good.” Co-hosted by the East African Community (EAC) and the MS Training Centre for Development Cooperation (MSTCDC), the summit was held under the patronage of H.E. Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete, with participants including policymakers, development partners, and youth leaders.

Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) was honored to participate, represented by four staff members, including Ms. Winnie Nakazibwe, who joined the Under 40 Political Leaders Forum debate, “If you sat where they (the leaders) sit.” This forum brought together National Youth Council representatives and youth leaders to share insights and perspectives on education and leadership.



Keynote speaker Mr. David Onen, Principal Political Affairs Officer at the EAC, addressed the critical need for education reform, stating: “We need to fix young peoples’ problems. Relevant actors must reflect on and propose policy reformations and adjustments to education systems and the requisite relevance in the 21st century.”



Dr. Ana Haule, Executive Director of MSTCDC, praised Africa’s youth for their leadership and commitment, stating: “It is equally important to note that remarkable actions and initiatives are being led by Africa’s youth, demonstrating your commitment and leadership in achieving the Africa we want.”

She further highlighted the importance of platforms like YouLead Africa: “We are here today because #YouLead24 provides the opportunity for young people to come together and have a seat at the table with policymakers, development partners, and relevant stakeholders to deliberate and craft sustainable solutions to spearhead the welfare of the youth.”



Ms. Winfred Nakazibwe, Administrator, Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre, shared the opinion that significance remains on the necessity of culturally sensitive programming to bridge the gap between youth perceptions and the realities of development work, as well as novel means to address the challenges posed by entrenched hierarchies and bureaucratic structures to ease youth engagement and safe spaces for youth to voice up and channel the agenda for sustainable development.

Throughout the week, the summit featured insightful panel discussions, including a Policy Makers and Development Partners Roundtable on rethinking education for youth competitiveness and achieving “The Africa We Want.” Delegates also participated in an Intergenerational Fireside Chat led by H.E. Mr. Amara Kallon, Minister for Public Administration, Sierra Leone, who emphasized the importance of equitable education.



**Fireside Chat led by H.E. Mr. Amara Kallon, Minister for Public Administration, Sierra Leone**



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**"TO THOSE WHO  
OPPOSE US, WE  
SAY, 'STRIKE THE  
WOMAN, AND YOU  
STRIKE THE ROCK!"**

Winnie Madikizela-Mandela

3-4 December 2024

# A Peace And Security Leadership Training

Over 60 finalists and Graduating former student leaders from different Universities in Uganda, have been called upon to be active champions of peace in order to mitigate conflicts.

During the training conducted by Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) in partnership with Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS), at Makerere University, experts on peace and security noted that they are engaging the youth in peace training because they are the current and future architects of unity and peace in Africa.

Speaking at the opening ceremony today (Tuesday 3rd December, 2024), Dr Nansozi Muwanga, the Executive Director of Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre, noted that the most important aspects of transformative leadership in particular, cannot be achieved, unless young people are equipped with the necessary skill sets as leaders that enable them forge solid partnerships to lead.



Addressing students, Angella Kasekende, the Project Manager at the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung's Regional Programme Security Dialogue for East Africa, reminded students that if they want to be good leaders, they need to be disciplined, consistent and have the drive and passion to contribute positively to their communities.

Ms. Angella Kasekende, giving her opening remarks at the training

"We believe that young people can play a vital role in peace building, but many may not be able to access resources or get support to understand what it entails, gain the necessary skills and opportunities to be able to take part in peace and security initiatives, that is why we are pleased to provide such a platform," Kasekende said.



In his presentation, Philip Kasaija, an Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science and Public Administration at Makerere University, provided a deeper understanding of the situational analysis of peace and security issues in the region to help participants to grasp the complexities of current challenges.

"The Horn of Africa, is one of the conflict prone regions of the world. Therefore, youth who are part of the problem have to be part of the solution. Uganda's problems can be addressed through dialogue. As youth, you have to stay away from conflicts because if conflicts happen, it will be the youth and women to suffer," Prof Kasaija said.





Dr Edward Silvestre Kaweesi, from the Department of Political Science and Public Administration, cautioned the students leaders that they should never think of engaging in any conflict. He stressed that there is nothing constructive that comes with conflicts in a country.

“Don’t be deceived that you are going to be young for long, at all costs, one is supposed to avoid instances that drive people to conflicts. Violent conflicts come at a very high cost and can waste your youthful years,” Dr Kaweesi said.

Dr Kaweesi pointed out that in addition to consuming resources that could otherwise be used to cater for other essentials of life, conflicts can claim life.

“Civilisation has crumbled because of violence. Symbols of modernity like cities have been destroyed and population have been traumatized by violence and trust has been fractured. To avoid all that, a culture of peace needs to be cultivated among the youths,” Dr Kaweesi noted.



Dr. Gardner H. Rwakiseta, the Program Coordinator at JNLC, emphasized the importance of self-awareness and self-knowledge in resolving conflict and fostering sustainable peace. He noted that -emotional intelligence and mental wellness are vital for peace-building. “Do not hold on to your emotions, if crying will help you heal, cry even if you are a man,” he stated.



Dr. Solomon Winyi, a lecturer and coordinator of graduate programs in the Department of Political Science and Public Administration, had an engaging session that highlighted how digital platforms can drive peace efforts and advocacy.

“Always develop content, videos and social media posts that advocate for peace initiatives. As digital natives, navigate online spaces and counter misinformation and articulate your perspectives because you represent a dynamic force in shaping the narratives surrounding social media and peace advocacy,” he said.

Dr Winyi explained that -using visuals such as infographics and videos, enhances the reach of peace advocacy messages.

“Integrating statistical data and personal testimonies into posts strengthens the arguments, demonstrating the real-world impact of peace initiatives,” Dr Winyi said.

Speaking about financial literacy in conflict and peace building, Gloria Namata, a financial expert, pointed out that financial crisis ignites conflicts and therefore encouraged students to ensure that they leave the University with skills that will help them earn a living before they get the kind of jobs they desire. “Every time you make money, make sure you save 20%. The money you save is the payment to yourself. As you are saving, make sure you have a plan of investing and make an investment that is going to add value to you. Even if it is small or long term, invest and never despise humble beginnings,” Namata, guided.



During the second day of the training, over 60 participants listened were equipped with skills through presentations and practical sessions on team building for mediation, negotiation and resilience.

Ronald Ssazi, a Clinical Psychologist, presented the ethos that are crucial for creating an effective team culture.

“Start with investing into a team. When you have a team, go ahead and pay the price for team development. It helps with the growth of the team. Empower team members with responsibility and authority in order to groom and raise leaders for the team,” Ssazi highlighted.



Re-echoing the words of wisdom from Mahatma Gandhi, David Nyaribi, a representative from ActionAid Uganda encouraged the student leaders to always be the change they want to see in the world. Nyaribi urged them to be Servant Leaders who exemplify integrity and a great work ethic to transform Uganda and Africa.

Robert Muhangi, a Lecturer at Uganda Christian University-Mukono, called upon student leaders and the young people to always utilize indigenous ways to provide solutions to some of the problems they come across other than prioritizing external interventions.

“The best time to become a village champion is when you have just left University, let people look at you like a champion. When you solve conflicts by providing solutions, trust me, you will not look for a job, the job will look for you,” Muhangi stated.

The practical session on Building Bridges for Peace and Security, focused on identifying the root causes of conflict, applying emotional intelligence, financial literacy and crafting strategies for community-based conflict resolution.





While delivering his overview of Mwalimu Julius Nyerere's Ideas and Ideals in relations to Peace and Conflict, Dr. Simba explained that in order to achieve peace, Mwalimu Nyerere believed that it was essential that women live on terms of full equality with men, as their fellow citizens.

Dr. Simba explained that in order to achieve peace, there must be equality because people cooperate more effectively if they are equals.

Highlighting Nyerere's ideas on peace, Dr. Simba pointed out that Mwalimu Nyerere saw tribalism as one of the biggest dangers to African progress, unity and peace. He reiterated that Mwalimu Nyerere was opposed to racism. He was a great supporter of a multi-racial society.

"Let us desist from manipulating our ethnic and religious identities, or any other identity to our political advantage. Let us embrace the principle of Pan-Africanism. We must have been born differently, but all of us have a contribution to make to our mother Uganda, our continent called Africa. We must, therefore, value and respect each person's contribution to society," Dr. Simba said.

Dr. Simba Sallie Kayunga, the Commissioner at the Electoral Commission, urged University student leaders to embrace unity if they want to live in a peaceful society. He made the remarks on Wednesday 4th December 2024, during the second day of training of finalists and Graduating former student leaders from different Universities in Uganda. The training was conducted by Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLNC) in partnership with Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS), at Makerere University.



5 December 2024

## Ekyyoto: Cross-Generational Conversation on Peace and Security

Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC), in partnership with Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS), concluded its three-day Youth Leadership Training Programme with a cross-generational dialogue on peace and security. This dynamic gathering, held in the serene gardens of Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre at Makerere University, brought together student leaders and alumni from various universities to exchange insights with seasoned experts and practitioners.



### The “Ekyyoto” Experience: Bridging Generations

The event, modeled after the traditional “Ekyyoto” fireside gathering, facilitated open conversations between youth and experienced leaders. Discussions tackled peacebuilding, conflict resolution, gender, and regional politics. Participants explored innovative solutions to local and global peace and security challenges, enriched by intergenerational wisdom.





## Insights from Prof. Julius Kiiza

Prof. Julius Kiiza, a political science and political economy expert, delivered a thought-provoking presentation on Servant Leadership, Pan-Africanism, and Peacebuilding in the Great Lakes Region. Addressing the question Whose Security Counts?, he argued that true peace extends beyond the absence of war to encompass human, economic, and cyber security. He urged leaders to prioritize citizens' welfare, economic opportunities, and meritocracy, framing these within the broader concept of Staatsbildung (state-building).

## Cross-Generational Panel Explores Root Causes of Conflict

Moderated by Prof. Julius Kiiza, a distinguished panel at Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre included Prof. Philip Kasaija, Prof. Helen Nambalirwa Nkabala, Ms. Joanna Grace Nakabiito, and Ms. Nashiba Nakabira. They addressed the root causes of conflict and strategies for peacebuilding, drawing insights from academia, policy, and practice to address the root causes of conflict, identity-related disputes, and the roles of youth and women in peacebuilding.

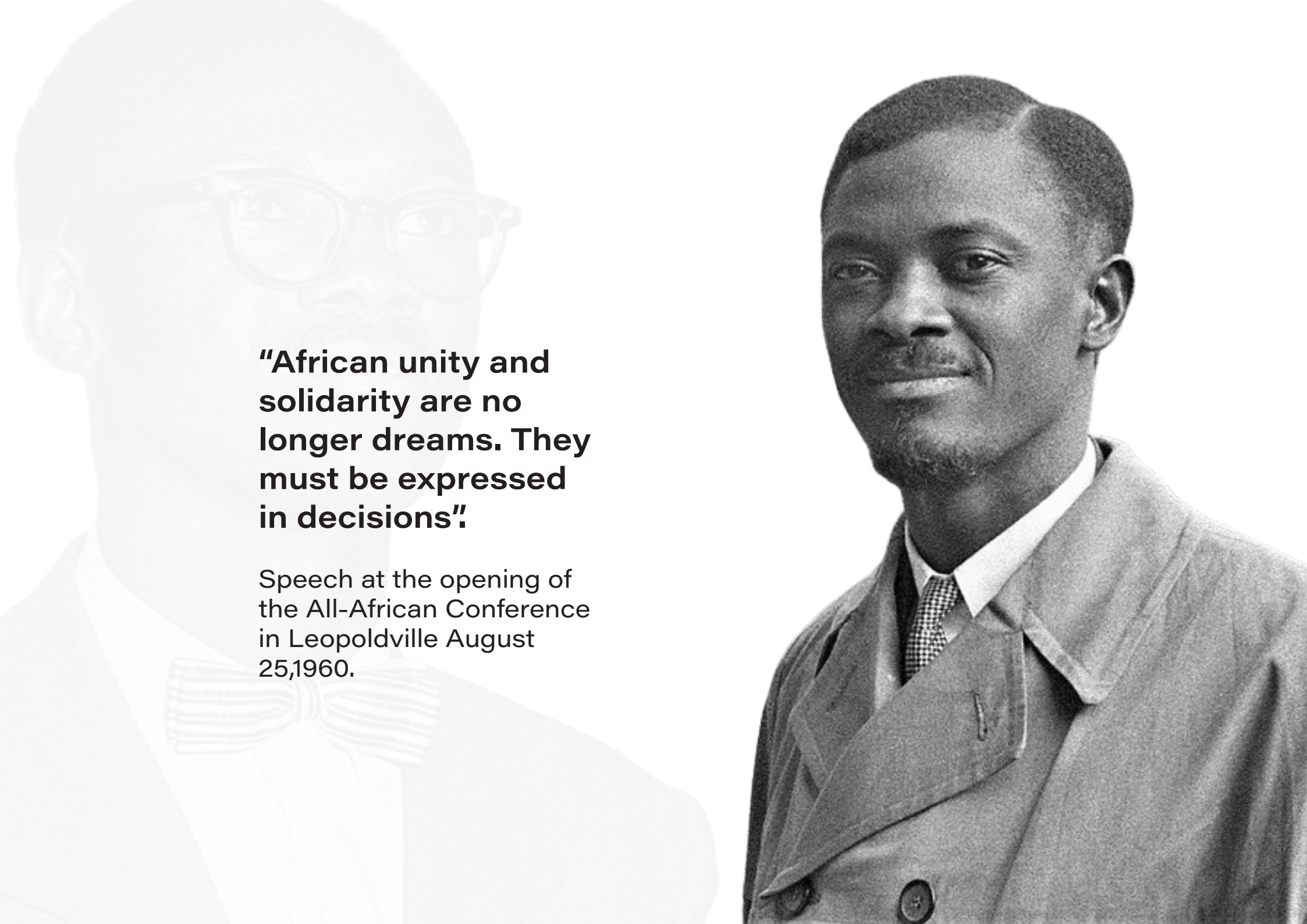




# A CROSS-GENERATIONAL CONVERSATION ON PEACE AND SECURITY WITH FINALISTS AND GRADUATING FORMER STUDENT LEADERS.

2024





**"African unity and solidarity are no longer dreams. They must be expressed in decisions".**

Speech at the opening of the All-African Conference in Leopoldville August 25, 1960.



12 December 2024

## Farewell Luncheon for H.E. Lulama Marytheresa Xingwana



In her farewell message, Dr. Nansozi Muwanga, Executive Director of Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC), expressed heartfelt gratitude to H.E. Lulama Xingwana, High Commissioner of South Africa to Uganda, for her invaluable contributions to the Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre.

Dr. Muwanga highlighted the High Commissioner's unwavering belief in JNLC's mission to honor Mwalimu Julius Nyerere's legacy, her commitment to promoting women's rights and Pan-Africanism, and her consistent support of the Centre's activities.

The farewell event was attended by Board Members Dr. Kasozi Mulindwa, Mr. Andrew Tumusiime, and Prof. Sarah Ssali, who all joined in acknowledging H.E. Xingwana's dedication and impactful collaboration.

***Dr. Muwanga commended H.E. Xingwana's dedication and wished the High Commissioner success in her future endeavors.***



16 December 2024

# Piloting JNLC Leadership Training Programme for Secondary School Student Leaders

“Leadership Training for Transformative and Inclusive Development”





Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) successfully organized a Leadership Training Programme for secondary school student leaders. The programme, a *pilot brought together 36 participants from six schools* including Kitante Hill School, Taibah International School, St. Mary's College Kisubi (SMACK), Luzira Secondary School, King's College Buddo, and Makerere College School.

The training cascaded to secondary schools the already popular leadership training programme mostly used for university student leaders with the expectation that it could equally benefit secondary school student leaders. The aim was to equip secondary school student leaders with essential leadership skills, knowledge, and values for transformative leadership.

The program focused on ethical leadership, servant leadership, and practical tools to empower participants to create meaningful change within their schools and communities.

In her opening remarks, Dr. Nansozi K. Muwanga, Executive Director of Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre, provided an overview of the Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) as a Presidential Initiative. She outlined JNLC's core values, objectives and programmes including cross-generational dialogues and conversations - Ekyooto, Leadership Training and commitment to policy-leading research. She encouraged the student leaders to embrace the unique opportunity for them to acquire skills that will enable them to drive transformative change and make a positive impact in their schools and communities.



**“Young women and girls today can stand on the shoulders of current women leaders and reach heights that we could not imagine. We, as women leaders, must come together to not only keep open the doors of opportunity that we had, but also to expand them for those who follow us. We say to future generations: “Yes you can” and “We are here to help get you there”.**

Sahle-Work Zewde  
Ethiopia's First Female President



# 13

## Climate Action

Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts.



### Goal 13 calls for urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts.

It is intrinsically linked to all 16 of the other Goals of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. To address climate change, countries adopted the Paris Agreement to limit global temperature rise to well below 2 degrees Celsius.



### TAKE URGENT ACTION TO COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE AND ITS IMPACTS.

Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC) is committed to taking tangible action against climate change. In recent years, we launched a comprehensive campaign focused on educating our participants about the urgent need to address climate change and the actions required to mitigate its effects. This initiative not only provides knowledge but also fosters a sense of personal responsibility for the planet's future.

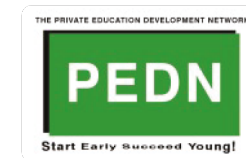
# JNLC's Commitment to Climate Action and Leadership

Given that the next generation of leaders will inherit the consequences of today's environmental decisions, empowering young people to take action is critical. By training emerging leaders in climate action, *we are ensuring that they are equipped to lead with environmental sustainability at the forefront. These youth leaders will be instrumental in shaping the policies and innovations needed to combat climate change on a global scale, making their involvement crucial in this effort.*



As part of our commitment, every participant attending our leadership programs is gifted a tree to take home and plant, symbolizing the start of their journey toward environmental stewardship. This initiative was a key feature during the **Youth Leadership Training for All Guild Leaders in Uganda**, with the 1st Cohort on 28th July 2023, and the 2nd Cohort on 4th August 2023. Similarly, it extended to the **Young Women and Youth Leadership Training programs** in Mbale on 21st September 2024 and Gulu on 25th September 2024.





As we reflect upon the journey embarked upon since the beginning of this year, our hearts are filled with immense gratitude for the unwavering support and commitment extended by each of you. Your invaluable contributions have played a pivotal role in advancing the mission and vision of Julius Nyerere Leadership Centre (JNLC), and for this, we extend our heartfelt appreciation.

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