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In this Issue, We Highlight Cybercrimes in Africa

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Foreword

Dear Readers,

It is my pleasure to introduce the October 2021 Issue of the AGA-Africa Newsletter.

This month, AGA-Africa hosted a 7-day Induction Training for Supreme Court Judges in collaboration with the Supreme Court of Kenya and Judiciary Training Institute (JTI) – Kenya from 11th – 17th October 2021 in Mombasa, Kenya. AGA-Africa also renewed its capacity building partnership with JTI through the signing of a 5-year Memorandum of Association (MoU) on 12th October, 2021.

In the same week, in collaboration with the Financial Intelligence Centre - South Africa, AGA-Africa held a Webinar on “Producing Strategic Intelligence” on 13th October, 2021 in South Africa.

On 18th October 2021, Mr. Chukukere Unamba-Oparah, AGA-Africa Programme Director and Strategic Advisor, represented AGA-Africa at the inauguration of the Kenya Judiciary Academy premises in Karen, the handover ceremony for the incoming Director of Judiciary Training Institute and the launch of the E-learning platform and website.

On 26th October 2021, AGA-Africa participated in the 61st Annual General Conference of the Nigerian Bar Association (NBA which was held from 22nd - 29th October 2021 in Port Harcourt, Rives State Nigeria.

AGA-Africa in collaboration with the Financial Intelligence Authority of Malawi, held a 2-day workshop on Crimes (Red flags) related to New Payment Methods from 27th -28th October 2021 in Lilongwe, Malawi.



Regards,

Markus Green ESQ.
Board Member, AGA-Africa

I wish to thank Hon. Justice Martha K. Koome, Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya, Hon. Justice Smokin Wanjala, Director of Judiciary Training Institute Judge of the Supreme Court of Kenya, Dr. Freda Githiiru, Deputy Director of Judiciary Training Institute, Adv. Xolisile Khanyile, Director, Financial Intelligence Centre of South Africa and Vincent Steven Chipeta, Acting Director General, Financial Intelligence Authority (FIA) Malawi, for their continued support for AGA-Africa’s programmes.

We look forward to more fruitful workshop collaboration in the near future.



Cybercrime

Cybercrime is a type of crime that uses a computer to commit an offence. A cybercrime can be initiated by a criminal who uses a device to gain access to a person's personal information.

Cybercrime is a growing problem globally, and it affects everyone from small businesses to Fortune 500 companies.

The Internet has provided numerous opportunities to exploit people's personal data and information, thus exposing many to the dark criminal elements operating from different corners of the world.

The importance of cybersecurity is highlighted by the fact that it can prevent criminals from accessing an organization's systems and potentially using them to demand ransom.

Due to the rapid emergence of digital technology, the world has become more digital. This has led to the evolution of many industries, including law.

As there are no borders in cyberspace – threats and attacks can come from any location at any time, posing challenges for anyone because incidents may involve suspects, victims and crimes spanning multiple countries. - information from Interpol.

Events Round Up

› Supreme Court of Kenya Induction

AGA-Africa hosted a 7-day Induction Training for Supreme Court Judges in collaboration with the Supreme Court of Kenya and Judiciary Training Institute (JTI) -Kenya in Mombasa, Kenya following the recent appointment of Hon. Justice Martha Koome as the Chief Justice and President of Supreme Court of Kenya.

The event was honored by His Lordship, Justice Anin Yeboah, Chief Justice of Ghana and other dignitaries from Nigeria and Malawi.



Front - L-R ; Hon. Paul Ndemo, Markus Green, Hon. Justice Martha Koome, Hon. Justice Smokin Wanjala, Dr. Freda Githiru.

Back - L-R; AGA Africa Representatives Caroline Gift Chikwakwa, Ebelechukwu Eneida, Maame Hagan, John Edozie and Chukukere Unamba-Oparah.



Hon. Justice Smokin Wanjala, Director of Judiciary Training Institute & Judge of the Supreme Court of Kenya speaking during the induction ceremony



John Edozie, AGA-Africa International Advisor with Dr. Freda Githiru, Deputy Director, Judiciary Training Institute and Chukukere Unamba-Oparah.



Hon. Justice Martha Koome, Chief Justice and President of Supreme Court of Kenya speaking during the induction ceremony

› Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) Signing with The Judiciary of Kenya

AGA-Africa renewed its capacity-building partnership with the Judiciary Training Institute of Kenya (JTI) through the signing of a 5-year Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 12th October, 2021 in Mombasa, Kenya.

The MoU comes at an opportune time when the Judiciary of Kenya is embarking on the process of revamping its judicial education and training of judicial officers.

The MoU was signed by Hon. Justice Smokin Wanjala, Director of Judiciary Training Institute & Judge of the Supreme Court of Kenya and AGA-Africa Markus Green Esq., AGA-Africa Board Member and witnesses by Hon. Justice Martha Koome, Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya.



Hon. Justice Smokin Wanjala, Hon. Justice Martha Koome, Markus Green ESQ.



L-R Chukukere Unamba-Oparah, Hon. Justice Smokin Wanjala, Hon. Justice Martha Koome, Markus Green ESQ, Dr. Freda Githiru.

› Inauguration of the Kenya Judiciary Academy

On 18th October 2021, Mr. Chukukere Unamba-Oparah, AGA-Africa Programme Director and Strategic Advisor, represented AGA-Africa at the inauguration of the Kenya Judiciary Academy premises in Karen, the handover ceremony for the incoming Director of Judiciary Training Institute and the launch of the E-learning platform and website.

The Kenya Judiciary Academy (KJA) is part of the Judiciary of Kenya's strategic vision to improve training for judges, judicial officers and staff a move that is set towards realizing the constitutional goal of furthering the rule of law and access to justice in Kenya.

The event was attended by Hon. Justice Martha K. Koome, Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya, Hon. Paul Kihara, the Hon. Attorney General, Hon. Ken Lusaka, the speaker, National Assembly among other dignitaries.



Mr. Chukukere Unamba-Oparah, AGA-Africa Representative during the Kenya Judiciary Academy inauguration



Hon Lady Justice Martha K. Koome, Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya with Hon. Paul Kihara, the Hon. Attorney General, Hon. Ken Lusaka, the speaker, National Assembly among other dignitaries during the inauguration ceremony

› Producing Strategic Intelligence Webinar with Financial Intelligence Centre -South Africa

In collaboration with the Financial Intelligence Centre - South Africa, AGA-Africa held a Webinar on “Producing Strategic Intelligence” on 13 th October 2021 in South Africa. The webinar brought together 50 managers/decision makers, analysts and investigators from the Financial Intelligence Unit across the 9 provinces of South Africa and the 18 member countries of ESAAMLG.

The training was aimed at providing a platform for the participants to share and exchange knowledge on strategic analysis on suspected COVID-19 related financial crimes and to produce valuable typologies, trends, patterns and indicators.



› Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) 2021 Annual General Conference, Nigeria.

On 26th October 2021, Markus Green, AGA-Africa Board Member showcased the strides AGA-Africa is making in Africa during the 61st Annual General Conference of the Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) which was held from 22nd - 29th October 2021 in Port Harcourt, Rives State Nigeria.

The conference was aimed at offering networking opportunities for lawyers as well as mentoring opportunities for bar leaders in Nigeria.

› Crimes (Red flags) related to New Payment Methods Workshop with Financial Intelligence Authority, Malawi

AGA-Africa in collaboration with the Financial Intelligence Authority of Malawi held a 2-day workshop on Crimes (Red flags) related to New Payment Methods from 27th -28th October 2021 in Lilongwe, Malawi. The workshop included rich sessions designed to equip the participants with knowledge and expertise required to identify the red flags indicators that may help them to detect financial crimes and increase the quality and quantity of suspicious transaction reports.



A group photo of participants during the New Payment Methods workshop



A cross-section of the workshop participants



Delegates during the Crimes (Red flags) related to New Payment Methods Workshop

AGA-Africa in the Media

Judiciary renews deal with AG Alliance Africa, upscales graft fight

Agreement expected to strengthen human and institutional capacity

In Summary

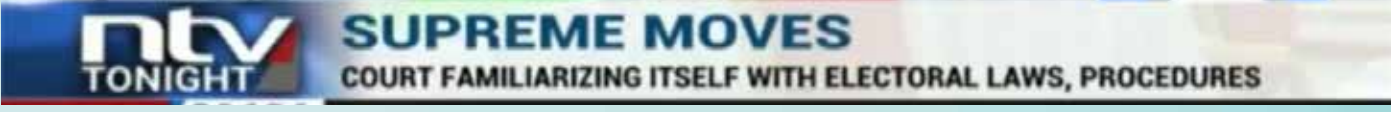
- Justice Koome said the agreement will support sharing of knowledge and experiences, development and strengthen human and institutional capacity, access to and exchange of information
- AGA-Africa has a presence in Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Nigeria, Rwanda, Seychelles, South Africa, Uganda, and Zambia.



Chief Justice Wilmut Kariuki (center) signing an agreement with AGA-Africa representative (right) at the signing ceremony in Nairobi, Kenya on Tuesday.

The Judiciary of Kenya has entered into a fresh capacity-building partnership with the Attorney General Alliance Africa, after signing an extended MoU.

The signing of the Memorandum of Understanding by the Director of ITI, Supreme Court Judge Neokim Wanjala, and AGA-Africa Board member Marquis Green was witnessed by Kenya's Chief Justice Martha Koome in Merohba on Tuesday.



Related News:

Kenya:

Cybercrimes and related threats have risen this year as Kenya's Internet and data subscriptions grew to 46.7 million.

The Communications Authority of Kenya data shows 38.8 million cyber-attacks were recorded from April to June, an increase of 37.3 percent between January-March

when 28.2 million cyber threats were detected.

According to the report, the increase is due to the significant rise in targeted attacks on Internet devices such as smartphones, home appliances and security systems...[Read More](#)

South Africa:

South Africa's retail organisations, particularly online stores, could expect a significant ramp-up in cybercrime ahead of the holiday season.

This is the warning from Deon Smal, CEO of Cyber Insight, a Cape-based cyber security assessment firm. "While data breaches increased alarmingly during

the height of the Covid-19 pandemic, organisations – particularly those in the e-commerce sector – can expect a 'tsunami' of new attacks as the festive season approaches," he cautions. "This is as a result of intensified on-line shopping activity which creates more opportunities for cyberattacks."...[Read More](#)

Nigeria:

The Economic and Financial Crimes Commission, EFCC, has revealed that 80 percent of the convictions it has made were offences related to cyber security.

The commission disclosed this yesterday at a conference organized by the Cyber Security Experts Association of Nigeria, CSEAN, in Lagos, with the theme "Cyber Secure Nigeria Conference 2021."...[Read More](#)

Seychelles:

\$281m was stolen by suspected North Korean hackers from this attack on the Seychelles-based exchange in 2020. The company recovered most of the funds and refunded customers...[Read More](#)

Uganda:

Hackers have left the banking sector in Uganda in a precarious situation after stealing \$4 million in the last 12 months. This was contained in a cyber-crime report by the country's Interpol director Charles Birungi, Ugandan news portal The Observer reports...[Read More](#)

Upcoming Events



Ghana, Nov. 1st – 4th

Cybercrime & Electronic Evidence – Ghana Police



Nigeria, Nov. 2nd – 3rd

Digital Currencies and Crypto Derivatives: Banking, Regulatory and Cyber-security Issues Webinar - Lagos Business School



Uganda, Nov. 8th – 9th

Anti- Money Laundering Workshop – Civil Aviation Authority



Kenya, Nov. 10th – 12th

Cybercrime & Electronic Evidence – Judiciary Training Institute & Common Wealth Secretariat



Zambia, Nov. 15th – 17th

Asset Recovery/ Forfeiture Workshop– National Prosecution Authority



Ghana, Nov. 16th – 18th

Effective Prosecution of Regulatory Crime Workshop – Food & Drugs Authority



Kenya, Nov. 17th -19th

Cybercrime & Electronic Evidence – Judiciary Training Institute & Common Wealth Secretariat



South Africa, Nov. 18th

Defective, Illicit and Counterfeit Goods, Medicines and Vaccines – Department of Mercantile Law, Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria (UP)

Regional, Nov. 23th – 27th

East Africa Law Society Annual Conference (Oral Advocacy & AML Training) - EALS



Nov. 30th – 4th Dec.

2021 JAG Annual Meeting – Judicial Action Group



Zambia, Dec. 6th – 9th

Management Skills Training for Middle Level Prosecutors – National Prosecution Authority



Nigeria, Dec. 7th

Image-Based Sexual Abuse Webinar - Stand-To-End-Rape (STER) Initiative

World Events



World Antibiotic Awareness Week



Thanksgiving



International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women

Thank You

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