

PRESS RELEASE: NCA HOLDS PARTNERS BREAKFAST

9th May 2017: The Authority on Tuesday morning held a partners breakfast in support of the 3rd Annual Construction Research Conference and Exhibition (ACoRCE). The breakfast meeting, held at the Sarova Panafric Hotel, was attended by key industry stakeholders in the construction industry.

Arch. Aidah Munano, the Principal Secretary in the Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure and Urban Development (State Department of Housing), was the Chief Guest. She urged the partners to support the landmark conference, currently the largest of its kind in the region. “The future of this country’s development rests in construction, as so much of it is pegged on infrastructure. Let us work together to ensure we get there sooner rather than later.”

NCA Chairman Steven Oundo reflected on the Authority’s research journey so far. “This will be the third year we are holding ACoRCE, no doubt a milestone for this industry and indeed for the entire country. We are honoured to provide a knowledge sharing platform to showcase what could be life-changing ideas.”

Dr. Arch. Daniel Manduku, NCA’s Executive Director, thanked the partners in attendance for their unwavering support for the Authority over the years. “NCA is where it is because of the support of our partners, and we look forward to growing these partnerships through to ACoRCE and beyond.”

ACoRCE 2017 will be held at the Kenyatta International Convention Centre from the 1st-3rd November. The theme for this year’s event is “*harnessing the potential of the legal and institutional framework for inclusive and sustainable growth in the construction industry,*” focusing on the legal aspects of construction. The areas to be covered include:

- Governance and politics in construction
- Impact of laws, regulations, policies and taxes in construction
- Management of socio-cultural and ethical challenges in construction
- Effective dispute resolution mechanisms in construction
- Innovative and emerging financing models in construction
- Management of environmental impacts in construction
- Construction management: synergy between national and county governments.

This year’s event is expected to attract 1200 local and international delegates, and will include an Investment Hub featuring the major state agencies that facilitate investment in Kenya as well as site visits to key infrastructural projects.

Last year’s event, opened by Infrastructure CS James Macharia, was held in partnership with The Big 5 Construct East Africa, an exhibition that featured international exhibitors from over 12 countries.