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**10TH BATCH MASTERS DEGREE AND INTERNSHIP PROGRAM OF THE
AFRICAN BUSINESS EDUCATION INITIATIVE FOR THE YOUTH (ABE
INITIATIVE) AND SDGs GLOBAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM FOR
FINANCIAL YEAR 2023**

The Ministry is in receipt of communication on the above subject inviting suitable applicants to the above program sponsored by the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). The initiative offers opportunities to young people in Africa to study Masters' Degree and Doctoral program in Japanese Universities and to undertake Internship in Japan.

Applicants should be between 24 -39 years of age and possess working experience.

Potential applicants should email ky-abe-mip@jica.go.jp for the Application Forms and Current List of Universities in the ABE and SDG program.

The deadline for application is on **14th October, 2022.**

Kindly inform interested and qualified individuals in your institutions to apply.

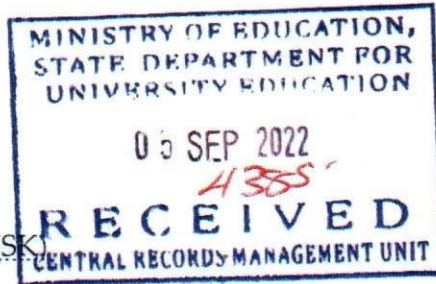
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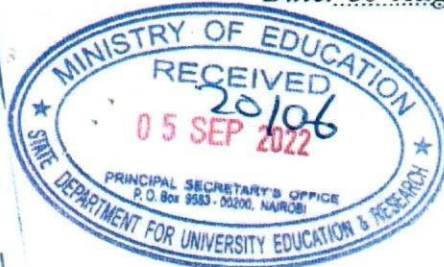
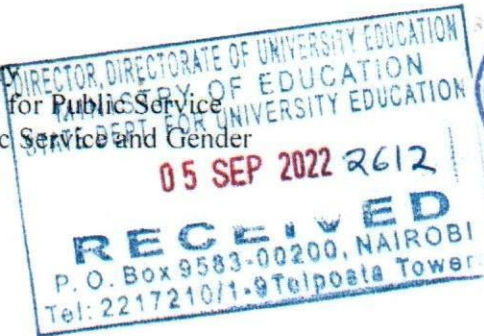
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Principal Secretary
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Dear Madam

**10TH BATCH MASTERS DEGREE AND INTERNSHIP PROGRAM OF THE AFRICAN
 BUSINESS EDUCATION INITIATIVE FOR THE YOUTH (ABE INITIATIVE)
 AND
 SDGs GLOBAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM-JFY2023**

I am pleased to inform you that JICA has officially launched the 10th Batch of the ABE Initiative to allow for nominees to apply from the Private and Public Sectors for Masters' Degree and Internship in Japan.

This being the 10th year for the ABE Initiative Program, it will be preferred if potential nominees from the Public Sector include applicants from Economic Infrastructure, Industry/Trade, Agriculture/Fisheries, Water/Environment . Apart from those sectors, the need to enhance the Health sector professionals has been growing under the COVID-19 pandemic.

This year, JICA continues to support the SDGs Global Leadership Program targeting the potential applicants from Government-affiliated Think Tanks, Research and Development Institutions as well as Higher Education Institutions (Educators) including Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture & Technology (JKUAT). The SDG program is both for the Master's and Doctoral programs.

In order to avoid duplication with the JDS program whose main target is the central and county government officials, the Ministries, department and agencies that interact with the private sector are the main target for ABE and SDG programs.

In this regard, once your office receives applications from applicants in the public sector, we kindly request you to submit them to JICA Kenya Office on or before 14th OCTOBER 2022.

For the private sector, these will be distributed through the networks of the Kakehashi Africa (ABE Alumni), Japanese Chamber of Commerce in Kenya, KNCCI, KAM, KEPSA, etc. They will submit their applications to JICA Kenya Office directly by the same deadline date.

**** Kindly instruct potential applicants to email ky-abe-mip@jica.go.jp for the Application Forms, CURRENT list of universities in the ABE and SDG program.**

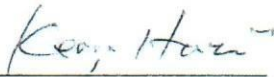
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Attached herewith are the General Information and Application Form. Besides, please note that we have set the supplemental information on qualifications for Kenya as shown below. All Kenyan applicants need to meet those requirements.

Duration of the Program	2 - 3 years from September 2023 depending on the graduate course and internship duration
Fields of Study	See attached Course List for detailed course information
Required documents	Application Form, Career Plan after Graduation, Research Plan and English ability certificate (TOEFL, IELTS etc. as requested by applying University. (*Regarding English ability certificate, this can be submitted by the time of admission depending on applying university)
Age Limit	24 - 39 years as of April 1 st , 2023 in principle with working experience and having a bachelor's degree
Application Closing Deadline	<u>14th OCTOBER 2022</u>

Lastly, I convey my full confidence and high hopes that this Program offered by JICA will continue contributing to the development of human resource and industries in Kenya.


Yours faithfully,



Kenji HAYASHI
Senior Representative
JICA Kenya Office

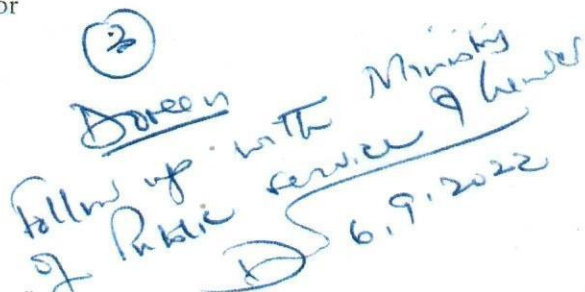
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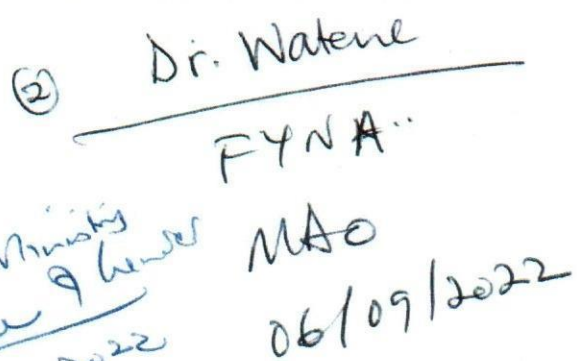
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ABE - PRIORITIZED SECTORS		TARGETED ORGANIZATION	
1	Economic Infrastructure	<u>Transport sector</u> Ministry of Transport KeNHA KURA KPA etc	<u>Energy sector</u> Ministry of Energy KenGen GDC KETRACO KPLC etc
2	Industry and Trade	<u>Ministry of Industry</u> KenInvest KEBS KRA KIRDI	KIBT NPCC CAK KIPI KNCCI,etc
3	Agriculture and Fisheries	<u>Ministry of Agriculture</u> KARLO KEPHIS AFC etc	
4	Environment	<u>Ministry of Water</u> Kenya Forest Service NEMA KEBS etc.	
5	Health	<u>Ministry of Health</u> KEMRI PPB NHIF etc	
6	Start ups	<u>Ministry of ICT</u> Kenya Innovation Agency Konza City Technopolis	

SDG - PRIORITIZED SECTORS		TARGETED ORGANIZATION
1	Governance and policy recommendations	National Treasury & Planning Central Bank of Kenya Government-affiliated think tanks including KIPPRA, IEA, FSD Kenya etc. R&D institutions including KIRDI etc.
2	Academic-industrial partnership	Higher education institutions (JKUAT, University of Nairobi etc.)