## ISP to strengthen science ties

he University of Nairobi held discussions with the Principal consultant of the International Science Programme (ISP). ISP is an initiative of the Uppsala University, Sweden which endeavours to promote and propagate science research in the developing world.

According to Prof. Lucy Irungu, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Research, Production, and Extension who met ISP's Prof. Allan Pankhurst, UoN has been collaborating with ISP though the School of Mathematics, Department of Physics, and Institute of Nuclear Science and Technology for many years.

This, according to Prof. Pankhurst led to the selection of UoN and Addis

Ababa Universities for evaluation of their projects countrywide. The consultant visited facilities of the aforementioned units between May 23 and 27, 2011. ISP has been sponsoring activities aimed at enhancing capacity building as well as initiating and strengthening research activities and postgraduate training in mathematics within the reaion.

Among its achievements have been sponsoring three Ph.D. candidates on a full programme while five candidates are on a sandwich programme. Four M.Sc. students are on sponsorship and more than 12 M.Sc. in mathematics have graduated from the programme.

Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Research, Production, and Extention with ISP's Prof. Allan Pankhurst who was on an evaluation tour of UoN.

