

# **SCHOOL WELCOMES LARGEST COHORT OF THE COLLABORATIVE PhD PROGRAMME (CPP) STUDENTS TO THE SCHOOL – CPP CLASS OF 2011**

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On 25<sup>th</sup> March 2013, the largest Cohort of Collaborative Ph.D. Programme in Economics (CPP) students reported to the School to embark on their PhD thesis research. CPP is a collaborative training programme among Sub-Saharan African Universities in the field of postgraduate training in Economics, executed by the African Economic Research Consortium (AERC), with active participation of member universities. Under the programme, the School admits students who proceed to the University of Dar es Salaam for course work, then return to the University of Nairobi to write their PhD theses. The CPP Class of 2011 has a total of 11 students, 10 with full Scholarships from the Government of Kenya through the African Economic Research Consortium (AERC) and 1 fully funded by the African Capacity Building foundation (ACBF). 3 out of the 11 students are international students. The students completed their course work and comprehensive examinations from the University of Dar es Salaam on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2013.

During the orientation, the director told the students that she was very proud to receive the largest cohort and expressed her gratitude to the Government of Kenya and AERC for making this happen. The students were briefed on regulations governing PhD research including the University of Nairobi's policy on plagiarism. Present during the briefing was the School Management Board, the Chair of the Postgraduate studies committee and the students' theses supervisors.