University of Nairobi to strengthen collaboration with Arcelor Mittal Liberia.

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The University of Nairobi is looking at strengthening the relationship with a Liberian company, ArcelorMittal as it seeks to develop human capital for the West African nation.

Speaking during the meeting that was held at the Vice-Chancellors office today, September 9, 2015, the representative of the Liberian company, Mr. Eric Swen noted that currently six Liberian students are taking various degrees at the University of Nairobi and they are looking at sending more students to specialize in the areas of Geology, Information Technology, Engineering, Medicine, Procurement and Logistics, Natural Sciences among others as their company is in the mining industry.

Prof. Henry Mutoro, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Academic Affairs, who was representing the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Peter Mbithi noted that the University is ready to develop the human capital for the Liberian nation. He assured ArcelorMittal that the University has mechanisms in place to help international students settle in record time.

On his part, Prof. Peter Ngau, the Principal, College of Architecture and Engineering, was keen on ArcelorMittal promising candidates of job security upon completion of their studies.

Among other things, ArcelorMittal is looking at having staff exchange programs, joint collaboration of projects, mutual exchange of scientific information all aimed at strengthening the collaboration.

Also present during the meeting include Mr. Peter Muturi, the Public Relations Manager, Mr. Martin Martivo, the Personal Assistant to the Vice-Chacenllor and Mr. Karanja from the <u>Center</u> for International Programmes and Links (CIPL).