



A Sub-Committee of the Working Committee on the Regional Centre of Excellence for the Textile and Apparel Industry at meeting with representatives of Vision 2030 Secretariat. From Left to right are: Mr. Joseph Nyagari, African Cotton Textile Industries Federation (ACTIF); Mr. Moses Kipkebut, Export Processing Zones Authority (EPZA); Dr. Mohamed Omar, Vision 2030, Economic Pillar; Mrs. Margaret Waithaka, EPZA; Prof. Dorothy McCormick, IDS and Dr. Gituro Wainaina, Vision 2030, Political and Social Pillar

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The recently completed African Clothing and Footwear Research Network (ACFRN) led to the formation of Regional Centre of Excellence for Textile and Apparel to provide up-to-

date, relevant and practical training and capacity building for the various segments of the textile value chain in the Eastern and Southern region as well as for relevant institutional actors.

Vision 2030 is a national long-term development blue-print to create a globally competitive and prosperous nation with a high quality of life. It aims to transform Kenya into a newly industrializing, middle-income country providing a high quality of life to all its citizens by 2030 in a clean and secure environment.

Prof. Dorothy McCormick, International Coordinator of ACFRN and Research Professor at the Institute for Development Studies (IDS), University of Nairobi, and Dr. Paul Kamau, Senior Research Fellow at IDS and ACFRN Kenya Country Coordinator, are members of the Working Committee on the Regional Centre of Excellence for the Textile and Apparel Industry.

Present during the meeting held at Vision 2030 Secretariat, on 26 August 2013, were Mr. Joseph Nyagari from African Cotton Textile Industries Federation (ACTIF); Mr. Moses Kipkebut, Export Processing Zones Authority (EPZA), Dr. Mohamed Omar, Vision 2030, Economic Pillar; Mrs. Margaret Waithaka, EPZA; Prof. Dorothy McCormick, IDS; and Dr. Gituro Wainaina, Vision 2030, Political and Social Pillar.