

UoN and Ministry of Foreign Affairs to promote international relations

The University of Nairobi and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs have signed a Memorandum of Understanding that will promote international relations and diplomacy in Africa and the world.

The two will establish relations in training, research, consultancy and fellowships in the areas of diplomacy, international relations, peace, national cohesion and integration. The partnership will also see to the establishment of the Center for Diaspora Studies and Engagement that will research and analyze emerging issues in the international economic, political, social and trade environment and their impact on Kenya's foreign policy.

Speaking at the signing ceremony, Amb. Amina Mohammed, Cabinet Secretary for Foreign Affairs and International Trade, noted that through the partnership, various projects aimed at empowering diplomats from African countries with knowledge and skills through training on short term and post graduate courses will be set up.

Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Peter Mbithi said that the University is committed to realizing the objectives of the partnership. He revealed that the Institute of Diplomacy and International Studies will manage the collaboration on behalf of the University.

Prof. Judith Bahemuka welcomed the initiative saying that there is need to engage members of staff who were former diplomats as resource persons in enhancing the University's relationship with the international community.