

AFRICAN STATISTICS WEEK 2018 BULLETIN

CAPACITY BUILDING IN STATISTICAL REPORTING FOR THE MEDIA FRATERNITY.

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Mr. Godfrey Nabongo– Manager Communication and Public Relations
Speaking to Journalists during the Media Workshop at the Conference
Hall.

The theme for this Year's Africa Statistics Day was **“High Quality Official Statistics to ensure Transparency, Good Governance and Inclusive Development”**.

As has been the norm the Bureau organised a series of events for a week dubbed the Africa Statistics Week, culminating into a climax on the

African Statistics Day (ASD),

Among the many activities planned for the weeklong celebrations was a training of media practitioners, reporters and journalists from all media houses who were trained on the use and interpretation of Statistics in Media Reporting.

Mr. Vincent Ssenono — Senior Statistician, trained the journalists on the use and interpretation of statistical terms, tables and figures.

The Journalists were given copies of various UBOS Publications including National Statistical Meta Data Dictionary terms for future reference.

The Uganda Bureau of Statistics (UBOS) joined other African Countries to commemorate the Africa Statistics Day that is celebrated on 18th November 2018. The African Statistics Day (ASD) was adopted in May 1990 by the Sixteenth Meeting of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa Conference of African Ministers responsible for Planning and Economic Development.

The main objective of celebrating November 18th each year is to “Increase public awareness about the important role which statistics play in all aspects of social and economic life” in the respective countries and Africa as a continent.

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UBOS LAUNCHES THE NATIONAL STANDARD INDICATOR FRAMEWORK, UBOS WEBSITE, UGSTATS APP AND MANPOWER SURVEY 2017.



Left to Right is Mr. Godfrey Nabongo– Manager Communications and Public Relations, Ms. Norah Madaya –Director Statistical Coordination Services and Mr. Sam Mugume a Representative of the Permanent Secretary for Ministry of Finance at the Launch of the National Standard Indicator Framework at Hotel Africana.

Development of the National Standard Indicator Framework.

The objective was to develop a four Hierarchical NSI framework covering the National, Sectorial and Service (MDA's)

Uganda is one of the first countries in the World to align its National Planning processes to Agenda 2030. The Sustainable Development Goals were integrated into the Country's Second National Development Plan II. In order to support National Development efforts, as a measurement of progress against the international and regional development works that Uganda is committed to, Uganda Bureau of Statistics in Collaboration with the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, Office of the Prime Minister and National Planning Authority constituted a core Technical Committee the steer the

levels of government operations. These indicators were aligned to the overall goal and objectives of the National Development Plan II and the Mandates of the respective MDA's of government within the Sector planning

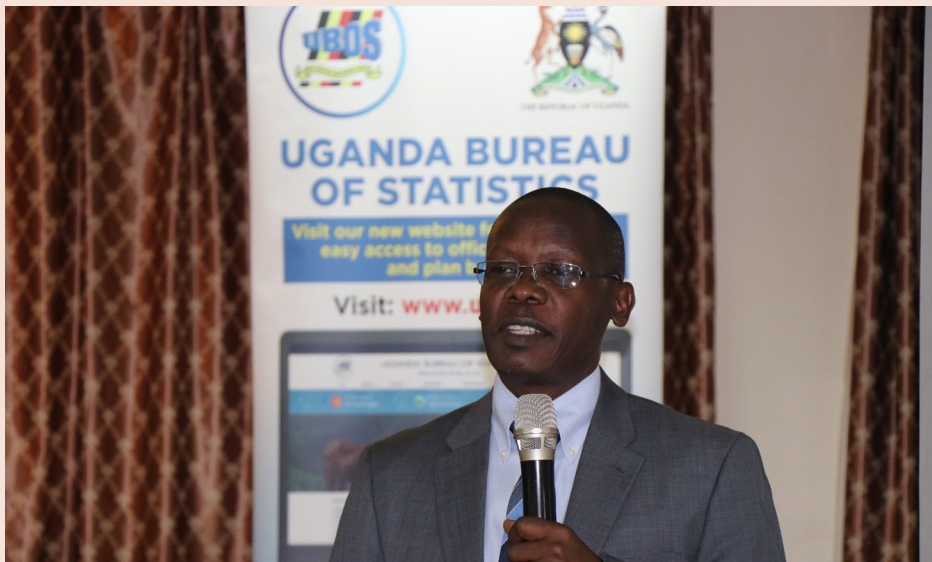


Ms. Norah Madaya Director Statistical Coordination Services Presenting on the National Standard Indicator Framework at Hotel Africana.

Frameworks to address the broad requirements of the Sustainable Development Goals.

During the Media Breakfast organised at Hotel Africana on Tuesday 13, November 2018, The National Standard Indicator Framework was launched by the Mr. Mugume Sam who represented the Permanent Secretary Ministry of Finance Planning and Economic Development.

Among other activities that were undertaken during the breakfast meeting was the **LAUNCH OF THE MANPOWER SURVEY UGANDA REPORT 2016/2017.**



Mr. Muwonge James –Director Social Economic Surveys Speaking at the Launch of the Manpower Uganda Survey 2016/17 Report at Hotel Africana.

According to Mr. Muwonge James – Director Social Economic Surveys, The 2016/17 Manpower Survey Uganda (MAPU) is the first comprehensive survey on Manpower that Uganda Bureau of Statistics (UBOS) has undertaken. The first manpower survey was conducted in 1988 a period of about 20 years ago. The survey collected information on the characteristics of Uganda’s workforce at both employer and employee levels in the Formal and Informal

Sectors. The main objective of the survey was to collect quality data on the size and characteristics of Uganda’s workforce; and information on the current and potential employment levels for the trained manpower from education Institutions.

The goal was to facilitate the development of appropriate Human Resource policies including the Human Resource Development Plan and Externalization of labor among others. In addition, the survey provides baseline information for further research and analysis of the country’s human resource profile by planners, the academia, and other data users.

The 2016/17 MAPU comprises information on the employers and employees in the Formal Sector, the Informal Sector and Educational Institutions respectively. This report presents key highlights based on the a f o r e - m e n t i o n e d modules. Specifically, it provides indicators on employer and employee characteristics in the Formal Sector, Informal Sector and educational Institutions at national and Sector levels. The survey collected much more information, which is useful for informing policy formulation and overall human resource development planning.

He acknowledged the technical input provided by the Technical Working Group which comprised of various stakeholders in the labour Sector during the entire survey.

Special appreciation was extended specifically the collaboration with the National Planning Authority, the Ministry Of Gender, Labour and Social Development and the

Local Governments.

The Ag. Executive Director UBOS Ms. Imelda Atai Musana extended her gratitude to all the field staff who worked tirelessly to undertake the data collection. The survey respondents who willingly provided the information against which this report is based were greatly appreciated and all the stakeholders for the invaluable cooperation. She thanked the participants for attending the meeting and called upon all stakeholders to utilize the wealth of available data collected in the survey to undertake in-depth analysis so as to better inform policy debate.

LASTLY WAS THE LAUNCH OF THE NEW UBOS WEBSITE AND UGSTATS APP

During the Media Breakfast the New UBOS



Mr. Peter Mukuu - Director Information Technology Speaking at the Launch of the New UBOS Website and UGSTATS App at Hotel Africana.

Website and UGSTATS App were Launched by the Ag. Executive Director UBOS.

According the Director Information Technology Over 100 most requested statistics from different data categories, including Population, Prices, Labour, Agriculture Education, Trade, GDP and others are available for access via this mobile app.

The data are updated when released, and each time you launch the app, the data will also be updated to your mobile devices to reflect the latest statistical information. You can also receive notifications on latest data updates for your preferred indicators as soon as they are released.

The data are presented in tables and bar charts and you can share these charts via social media. You can toggle between tables and charts. The statistical data provided is for 5 years and for more data the website links are provided. The UGSTATS Mobile app is available for free downloading on mobile devices running on Android platforms.

According to Mr. Bernard Sabiiti an Official from Development Initiatives a think tank organisation on Development informed the members that from his Interactions with various National Statistical Organisations, He noted that UBOS was the best NSO in Africa. He noted that UBOS presentations at the recently concluded World Data Forum held in Dubai were the most subscribed. The new UBOS Website and UGSTATS app shall play a big role in improving Data Journalism and visualization experts.

UBOS RELEASES THE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY PRICE INDEX



Dr. Chris Mukiza Ndatira - Director Macro Economic Statistics speaking at the Release of the Residential Property Price Index at the UBOS Conference Hall.

UBOS through the Directorate of Macro-Economic Statistics (DMES) collected data for the compilation of the Residential Property Price Index for the Greater Kampala Metropolitan Area (GKMA) covering Kampala and Wakiso Urban Areas. The results were launched on Monday November 12, 2018 at the UBOS Conference Hall.

Dr. Chris Mukiza –Director Macro Economic Statistics informed the participants that Uganda had pioneered the compilation for the RPPI in Africa, other countries had tried but failed. The Residential Property Price Index (RPPI) is a broad measure of the movement of Residential Property Prices in the economy at a given time. It serves as a timely and accurate indicator of

Residential House Price trends within an area.

This RPPI contains statistical information on real estate price developments on a quarterly basis. The information covered estimates of weighted residential Property Price Index (RPPI).

The weights used in the development of RPPI are based on 2014 National Population and Housing Census results. The details on Stock of Houses by type occupied by the population were analyzed, considering the type of dwelling unit occupied by the household. UBOS used the method of Hedonic pricing approach to compute its Residential Property Price Index (RPPI). This is the recommended method internationally, as the best that deals with issues of quality changes.

Mr. Sam Kaisiromwe –Senior Statistician from the Directorate of Macro Economic Statistics presented the findings from the Residential Property Price Index Report that was later discussed by the participants who raised various concerns that were responded to by a team of panelists

that included the Director and other officials from the Directorate of Macro-Economic Statistics.

The Ag. Executive Director UBOS Ms. Imelda Otai Musana representing the Minister of State for Housing launched the RPPI and appreciated the various stakeholders and participants in the Workshop for attending the release event and for the compilation of the index these included UBOS staff of DMES, Real Estates Managers, Agents, Brokers, Heads and Representatives of Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies, Banking Institutions, Developers, the Media Fraternity and other stakeholders for providing the requisite data used to produce the information presented in the publication.

Special gratitude was extended to the Bank of Uganda for their continued financial support towards the Real Estate Price Index development. She informed the participants in the

Release Workshop that the index was to be used as:

- ◆ As an input into Financial Stability models analyzed by Bank of Uganda.
- ◆ A macroeconomic indicator of residential property price inflation.
- ◆ Supporting the compilation of the non-financial assets component of the Household Balance Sheet in the Ugandan System of National Accounts (SNA).
- ◆ Analytical tool for estimating changes in the rates of mortgages, prepayments and housing affordability in specific geographic areas within Greater Kampala Metropolitan Area.
- ◆ Used for international comparison of residential property price levels and changes.

She concluded by thanking the participants for coming and urged them to use the findings in the RPPI for informed Decision making in planning, Policy Formulation and Project Implementation.



Left to right is Mr. Kaisiromwe Sam Senior Statistician, Mr..Nsubuga Vincent - Principal Statistician, Dr. Chris Mukiza - Director Macro Economic Statistics and Mr. James Muwonge—Director Social Economic Surveys - Moderator with the Panel of Presenters during the Discussion of the RPPI at the UBOS Conference hall.

UBOS FAMILY DONATES BLOOD TO SAVE LIVES.

There's no end to the benefits of donating blood for those who need it. According to the Uganda Red Cross, one donation can save as many as three lives, and someone in Uganda needs blood every two seconds. It turns out that donating blood doesn't just benefit recipients. There are health benefits for donors, too, on top of the benefits that come from helping others.

According to the Experts from the Uganda Blood Transfusion Services, Donating blood regularly may also lower iron stores. This may reduce the risk of heart attack. High body iron stores are believed to increase the risk of heart attack. Donating blood has benefits for your emotional and physical health. Among others can: reduce stress, improve your emotional well-being, benefit your physical health, help get rid of negative feelings, provide a sense of belonging and reduce isolation.

Blood donation may lower the risk of heart disease, cancer and heart attack. This is because it reduces the blood's viscosity. It also entitles you to a free health checkup. In order to give blood, you're required to undergo a health screening. A trained staff member performs this checkup. They will check your pulse, blood pressure, body temperature and hemoglobin levels. This free mini-physical check can offer excellent insight into your health. It can effectively detect problems that could indicate an underlying medical condition or risk factors for certain diseases.

As part of UBOS Corporate Social Responsibility programmes. The Bureau through the Division of

Communication and Public Relations once again chose to support the National Blood Bank by arranging to mobilise staff and the public to donate blood. The blood donation drive that started on Monday 12th to Friday 16th November 2018 was undertaken at Statistics House, Kyambogo University and Constitutional Square, Kampala respectively.

Special thanks go to the public, UBOS Staff and Uganda Statistical Society for embracing the blood donation exercise that helped to raise 344 units of blood compared to last year where we raised 200 units.

May the Almighty God bless those who donated and we look forward to more donations come next year.



Top right is Mr. Nkoobe Oscar—Coordinator of the Blood Donation Drive with other UBOS staff who donated blood during the ASW 2018 Celebrations.

UBOS RELEASES FINDINGS FROM THE TIME TO CROSS AND TRADERS' PERCEPTION SURVEY 2017



Left is Ms. Imelda Atai Musana –Ag. Executive Director UBOS, & Mr. Ivan Mafigiri—Information Officer witnessing as the Hon David Bahati - Minister of State for Planning Launches the Time to Cross and Traders Perception Survey Report at the UBOS Conference Hall.

Lakes Trade Facilitation Project (GLTFP) on trade flows at the three border posts, traders' perception on incidences of harassment and time taken to cross the border required for monitoring

The Uganda Bureau of Statistics conducted the Time to Cross and Traders' Perception Survey in 2017 at the three designated border posts of Bunagana, Goli and Mpondwe along the Democratic Republic of Congo border. The survey was funded by the Government of Uganda through a World Bank grant under the Great Lakes Trade Facilitation Project (GLTFP), coordinated by the Ministry of Trade Industry and Cooperatives

The main objective of the survey was to generate the core indicators for the Great

and evaluation of the project success.

The workshop that attracted different stakeholders from government, private sector and the development partners was held on November 15, 2018 at the UBOS Conference Hall to disseminate the findings.

In attendance were Members of the Board UBOS, staff, officials from Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies and Journalists from various Media houses.

The Ag. Executive Director –UBOS Ms.Imelda Atai Musana in her



Ms. Aliziki Kaudha - Principal Statistician presenting Findings from the Time to Cross and Traders Perception Survey 2017 Report at the UBOS Conference Hall.

welcome remarks thanked the Directorate of Macro Economic Statistics for undertaking the survey. She thanked the various stakeholders such as the Local Council leaders and individuals along the borders, Researchers, Field Supervisors and Coordinators that made this survey successful. She also acknowledged the cooperation of the border communities and traders in providing the requisite information that made it possible to produce this report.

She thanked the World Bank Monitoring and Evaluation team, which

provided technical back stopping and undertook continuous quality control reviews throughout the project implementation cycle.

Ms. Aliziki Kaudha a Principal Statistician presented the findings from the survey that were later discussed by the Participants in the Workshop. Among issues raised was the planned further dissemination of findings from the survey to the wider public.

The Time to Cross and Traders Perception survey 2017 report was launched by the Hon. David Bahati our line Minister of Finance , Planning and Economic Development In Charge of Planning. He commended the Bureau for undertaking the Survey. He further appreciated that the findings from the Survey will enhance planning for cross border trade and generate baseline information to monitor and evaluate anticipated progress at the three borders of Mpondwe, Bunagana and Goli, with regard to infrastructure being constructed by Government to facilitate trade, and initiatives especially targeting small scale cross border traders.

UBOS CELEBRATES WORLD GEO INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS) DAY



Mr. Bernard Justus Muhwezi - Manager Geo Information Services Presenting at the Workshop organised to Mark the World Geo Information Systems (GIS) Day Celebrations at the UBOS Conference Hall.

GIS Day provides an international forum for users of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) technology to demonstrate real-world applications that are making a difference in our society. On this day Nations undertake various events that showcase what they are doing with Geo Information Systems and why it matters. The first formal GIS Day took place in 1999. The president of the Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI) and co-founder Jack Dangermond credits Ralph Nader with being the person who inspired the creation of GIS Day. He considered GIS Day a good initiative for people to learn about geography and the uses of GIS. He wanted GIS Day to be a grassroot effort and open to everyone to participate, celebrate GIS with everyone, discover and explore the benefits of GIS, Showcase the uses of GIS and Build and nurture a GIS community, spreading their passion for GIS to users and non-users alike.

UBOS joined the World to celebrate the GIS day on Wednesday 14th November 2018 at

Statistics House, Conference hall under the theme **“Geospatial Information Services for High Quality Official Statistics to Ensure Transparency, Good Governance and Inclusive development”** A workshop organised to discuss the latest trends in GIS was held and various presentations on GIS applications were made in line with theme.

As part of the celebrations to mark the 2018 African Statistics Week, Key stakeholders such as National Planning Authority, National Environment Management Authority, National Free Zones Authority, Non-Government Organisations, Development Partners and GIS users and Implementing agencies such as MapUganda and Development Initiatives were invited for the GIS Day celebrations.

The Ag. Executive Director – UBOS Ms.Imelda Atai Musana in her opening remarks thanked the Division of Geo- Information Services for organising the Workshop, She thanked the Directorate of Information Technology for the new statistical IT applica-

tions developed to enhance and streamline



Ms. Imelda Atai Musana Ag. Executive Director UBOS Speaking at the GIS Day Celebrations in the UBOS Conference Hall.

development and dissemination of statistics to users. She called upon the participants to embrace the UBOS IT platforms launched so as to increase access to and utilization of statistical data and information in policy formulation and decision making. She commended the various stakeholders and participants that had made an immense contribution towards the development of GIS in Uganda and opened the Workshop.

The event attended by Officials from Government Ministries Departments and Agencies, development partners, such as Uganda Communications Commission ,Food and Agricultural Organization ,USAID ,Uganda National Meteorological Authority, the Directorate of Water Resource Management , Ministry of lands -Surveys and Mapping Dept. ,National Forest Authority ,Makerere University and the Red Cross Uganda witnessed the unveiling of key online dissemination platforms including the new UBOS website www.ubos.org, the UBOS statistics App (UGSTATS),UBOS GeoNode Platform and the ArcGIS online by the Director Information Technology Mr.Peter Mukuru.

Part of the celebration was an exhibition of Various GIS Applications outside the Conference hall. Some of the applications exhibited included: **OPENSTREETMAP** – an application that enables you to map out your part of the world. **GOOGLE EARTH** – the

location-based application built by Google that lets you tour the world without physically being there. ArcGIS an application that offers a unique set of capabilities for applying location-based analytics to your business practices. Gain greater insights using contextual tools to visualize and analyze your data. Collaborate with others and share your insights via maps, apps, and reports.

Many presentations including : GIS Application Story for Quality Statistical Production by DGIS, Crowd Sourcing for Non-Camp Refugees Data by Humanitarian Open Street Map Team., Open Source GIS in Uganda Story for Sustainable Development by MapUganda Ltd and Data Preparedness in Disaster Risk Management by Uganda Red Cross Society.

A panel of GIS Experts and Users discussed the way forward for Geo Information Systems in Uganda where a number of issues and recommendations were raised by the participants

The Manager Geo Information Systems – Mr. Bernard Justus Muhwezi in his closing remarks thanked the UBOS staff and the Directorate of Information Technology for the cooperation in the development and dissemination of GIS applications. He thanked the Participants and all stakeholders for embracing and attending the GIS day Celebrations. He called upon the public, the media to embrace and utilise GIS applications in all their endeavors for informed decision making, planning and implementation of projects and programmes.



Inset is Dr. Winnie Nyemera—Geo Information Officer speaking as a Panelist for the Discussion on the Way forward for Geo Information Systems.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE UGANDA STATISTICAL SOCIETY SYMPOSIUM



UBOS staff Football team at the ASW 2018 Sports Gala held at Kyambogo University.

awarded certificates accordingly. One of the presenters Mr. Wamasali Paul from Islamic University in Uganda emphasized that “At all levels, the youth should access, disseminate statistical information

As part of the activities to Mark the African Statistics Week Celebrations, in conjunction with the Uganda Statistical Society, UBOS organised a Students Symposium on Thursday 15th, November 2018 at Kyambogo University. The event intended to create awareness about the importance of the use of Statistics for economic and social development of Africa under the theme “*High Quality Official Statistics to ensure Transparency, Good Governance and Inclusive Development*”

In his opening remarks the Dean of Students-Kyambogo University welcomed the students and thanked the Uganda Statistical Society for choosing Kyambogo University as the Venue for the Symposium. During the Workshop attended by students from over 6 Universities and members of the Uganda Statistical Society presented on various topics in line with the theme for the Africa Statistics Day 2018 and shared their perceptions on the quality of Official Statistics. The students discussed and rated on how official Statistics have been utilised to ensure good Governance, Transparency and Inclusive Development in both Government and Non-Government Organisations. The students who presented were

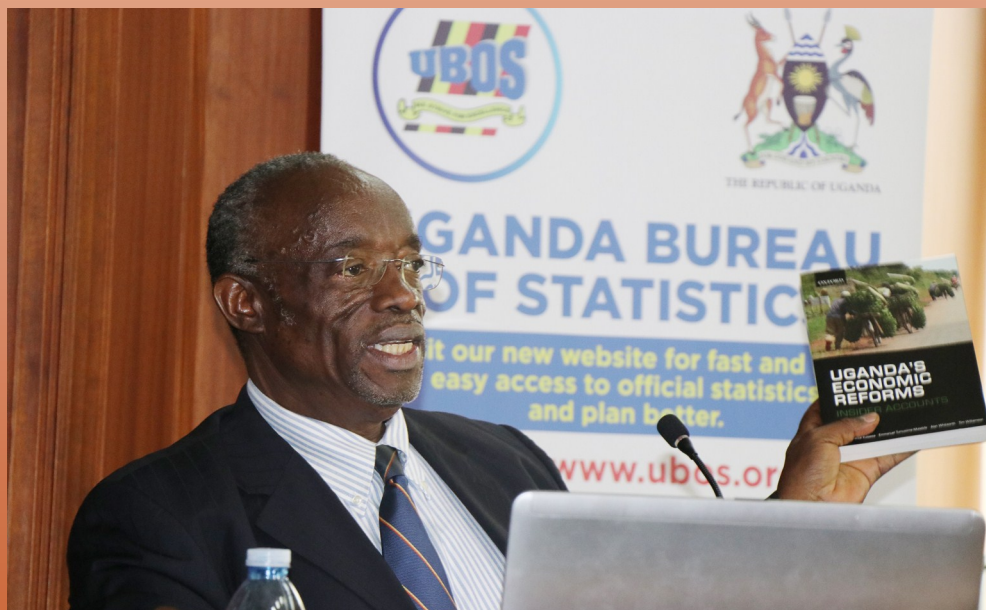
on environmental and socio-economic development”. This will link data producers and users so as to promote transparency and support good governance that will lead to inclusive development.

On behalf of the Ag. Executive Director – UBOS, Mr. Henry Nsubuga – Senior Statistician in the Directorate of District Statistics presided at the event as the Guest of Honour delivered the closing remarks to the students on behalf of UBOS.

A blood donation drive was undertaken at Kyambogo University and 36 units of Blood were collected from the student community.

The Day was concluded with a sports gala between USS and UBOS staff. The students under the umbrella of the USS participated in sports gala where they played football and volley ball with staff of Uganda Bureau of Statistics and USS emerged as the winners of the football game with the score of 2:1 and volley ball respectively.

UBOS HOLDS WORKSHOP TO TRACK THE NATIONAL STATISTICAL SYSTEM JOURNEY OVER THE YEARS.



Dr. ESK Muwanga Zaake, the First UBOS Board Chairman and Key Note Speaker at the National Statistical System Review Workshop, held at the UBOS Conference Hall.

As part of the climax for the commemoration of the Africa Statistics Day, the Bureau organised the National Statistical System Review workshop attracted all Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies, Civil Society, Development Partners, Media Fraternity and the Academia on Friday November 16, 2018, at Statistics House, Conference Hall.

Representing the Prime Minister, Hon David Bahati Minister of State for Planning presided over the event as a guest of Honour.

Dr. ESK Muwanga Zaake gave a Key Note Address on the Development of statistics, focusing on the Global perspective and implications for the Uganda NSS. He elaborated how UBOS and the NSS had evolved right from inception to date. He commended the Bureau Management and staff for the efforts rendered towards transforming the Bureau to a modern National Statistical Office matching with International Standards. He called upon the Statisticians to submit papers to the International Statistics Institute in order to contribute towards Professional Development by sharing Knowledge Internationally.

Various officials presented on the performance of the NSS as follows:

Ms Pamela Kansime Manager, Legal Services presented on the Legal framework and governance of the NSS.

Ms. Norah Madaya, Director, Statistical Coordination Services presented on Coordination and Management of the NSS.

Mr. Echoku Samuel-Principal Statistician presented on Economic Statistics and Mr. Patrick Okello-Director Agriculture and Environment Statistics presented on Environment Statistics.

The workshop was concluded with a Panel discussion. Mr Bernard Sabiiti from Development

Initiatives led a panel discussion that included officials from Data using agencies such as Economic Policy Research Centre, appreciated the producers of statistics.



Ms. Pamela Kansime - Manager Legal Services making a presentation on Legal Frameworks and Governance of the NSS at the UBOS Conference Hall.

PICTORIAL FOR THE AFRICAN STATISTICS WEEK 2018 CELEBRATIONS



Some of the UBOS Members of Top Management attending the Media Breakfast at Hotel Africana.



Centre is Mr. Vitus Kato Mulindwa –Deputy Executive Director Corporate Services along with other UBOS staff attending the Media Breakfast with other UBO staff.



Ms. Komugisa Anne - Senior Executive Secretary , Mr. Muminu Matovu –Senior Statistician and Ms. Viola Mbabazi - Senior Executive Secretary attending the Media Breakfast at Hotel Africana.



L-R Mr. Nsubuga Vincent - Principal Statistician ,and Mr. Kabiredi Joseph–Senior Senior IT Officer attending the Media Breakfast at Hotel Africana.



Mr. Okurut Alphonse—Statistician and Striker in the UBOS football team



Ms. Flavia Kyeyago Senior IT officer presenting on the use of the New UBOS website and Apps



Mr. Ssemwogerere Jeff— UBOS Football Team Captain



Mr. Kasunsuni Emma– Driver and Goalkeeper for the UBOS Football Team



Left Ms. Bekunda Catherine—Senior Communication Officer attending the Journalists Training in the Conference Hall.



Hon. David Bahati—Minister of State for Planning attending to the Media after the Launch of the Time to Cross and Traders Perception Survey 2017



Ms. Imelda Atai Musana –Ag.ED UBOS with Journalists who had received Meta Data Dictionaries after the Media Training



Centre is Mr. Ssenono Vincent attending to the press after the Media Training.

Some of the UBOS staff attending the Review Workshop for the National Statistical System in the Conference Hall.



Mr. Sam Kaisiromwe –Senior Statistician presenting the findings from the Residential Property Price Index



L– R : Joshua, Samalie & Ivan Staff from the DC&PR listening to Workshop proceedings