# Nyanza Economic Conference 2008 University Hotel, Kisumu, Kenya – 7 & 8 August, 2008

## Preliminary Programme (Day 1)

08h00-09h00 Registration, Tea/Coffee

### 09h00-10h30 OPENING SESSION

Opening & Introduction • Mary Onyango, Chair, Nyanza Economic Forum

Opening Remarks • Mr. Paul Olando, Nyanza Provincial Commissioner

Official Welcome • His Worship, Mr. Sam Okello, Mayor of Kisumu

Keynote Address • Hon. William Ruto, Minister for Agriculture

#### 11h00-1H00 SESSION II: CREATING AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

Fish Industry: Nyanza's Unexploited Lake Resource • Hon. James Otuoma, Minister for Fisheries

<u>Agriculture:</u> Practical Strategies for an Agricultural Revolution in Nyanza • Dr. Akin Adesina, Vice President Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA),

<u>Financial Services</u>: Reaching the Unreached • Mr. Martin Oduor-Otieno, Managing Director, Kenya Commercial Bank

**Plenary Discussion** 

13h00	14h00
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Lunch

14h00-15H30 SESSION II: INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

DAIRY: Strategies for Profitable Community Enterprises • Mr. Fred Ogana, Country Director, Technoserve

HORTICULTURE & FLORICULTURE: Emerging Opportunities for Nyanza • Mr. Micah Cheserem, Chairman, Equator Flowers Ltd; former CBK Governor

#### Tourism: Can Nyanza be the Next Frontier for Tourism? • Mr. Ong'ong'a Achieng, Managing Director, Kenya Tourism Board

- 15h30-17H00 Plenary Discussion
- 17h30-20H00 Cocktail/Reception (Sponsored by KCB)
- 21h30-22H30 Panel Discussion covered live on Citizen TV: "Louis Otieno Live"; (See list of Panellists below)

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# (Day 2)

### 08h30-10H00 SESSION III: CASE STUDIES AND TESTIMONIALS

- The Proposed Lake View Resort City Initiative • Mr. Jonathan Mturi, Chairman, Kenya Railways Corporation
- Nyanza Farms Ltd., -- Turning Nyanza into Mango Processing Zone • Dr. Peter Okoth, Project Manager, Tropical Soil Biology & Fertility Institute

Microfinance in Nyanza -- An Emerging Story of Determination • Mr. Joseph Kwaka, Director, Community Aid International

### 10h00 –10h30

Tea Break

10h30-11h30 Open Plenary Discussion:

- 11h30-12h00 Summary & Way Forward Mary Onyango, Chair, Nyanza Economic Forum
- 12h00-12h30 Closing Speech, Rt. Hon. Raila Odinga, Prime Minister

12h30 –

Lunch & Departure

### Panel Discussion live on Citizen TV: (Louis Otieno Live)

Topic: "Putting Nyanza Back on a Path of Sustainable Development"

## Time: Thursday Evening, 7<sup>th</sup> August, 9:30 pm

### Panellists

- Hon. Dalmas Otieno, Minister for Public Service
- Ms. Betty Okero, Director, CSO Network (Kisumu)
- Mr Galib Tejpar, Director, Corner House Development Ltd. (Kisumu)
- Dr. PLO Lumumba, Partner, Lumumba, Mumma & Kaluma Advocates
- Mr. Evans Kidero, Managing Director, Mumias Sugar Company Ltd.
- Prof. Stephen Agong', DVC, Maseno University, Chairman, Kisumu Action Team