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ANNUAL REPORT – 2012/2013



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The Centre for International Programmes and Links is a unit in the University of Nairobi, charged with the responsibility of initiating, promoting, facilitating and coordinating international programmes and links, staff and student exchanges and mobility, collaborative research projects and worldwide networking.

The 2012/2013 annual report highlights on some of the major accomplishments made by the Centre for International Programmes & Links (CIPL). The YR 2012/2013 was yet another successful year for the Centre for International Programmes and Links (CIPL) in discharging its responsibility of initiating, promoting, facilitating and coordinating international programmes and links; the Centre, which acts as a window for internationalization of the University of Nairobi (UoN), both internally and externally, aspires to provide better services to the international students and faculty from all walks of life in addition to fostering global partnership linkages for national development.

During FY 2012/2013, CIPL facilitated the signing of sixty-one (61) bilateral collaborations with renowned international universities, organizations and industry around the world. These collaborations have mainly focused on joint research and publications, exchange of academic material (s) and publications and mobility among researchers and students. The FY 2012/2013 saw CIPL engage comprehensively with other institutions leading to creation of several linkages which have been able to leverage for fundraising initiatives such as European Commission funded projects (AFIMEG, ARISE, ANGLE), Commonwealth scholarships and Education International (EI) among others. CIPL also facilitated staff and student study abroad programme (SAP) where five (5) members of staff and eleven (11) students went to study in foreign institutions. In addition, there were several visiting professors who came to UoN and were involved in teaching and research activities on exchange programme. The proportion of incoming and outgoing international students and staff increased compared to the previous year (2011/2012).



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managed to fully comply or achieve beyond its set targets in all
ons, Dynamic/qualitative indicators, Service delivery, non-
financial and financial indicators. Some of the performance indicators that the Centre
performed beyond its targets are highlighted in this report. CIPL revamped its effort in updating
its webpage in compliance with corporate requirements and also revised, aligned and cascaded
its Strategic Plan for the next five years.

Lastly, the CIPL will continue to work with all sections of the UoN in order to continuously
make our University, which has always had a distinctly international profile, attractive by
ensuring high quality research in all academic disciplines.

Prof. S. E. O. Mitema

International Programmes & Links

Functions:

1. Facilitates admission of foreign students (exchange, occasional, regular, research associates and postgraduate students)
2. Responsible for the welfare of foreign students at the UoN (e.g. accommodation facilitation, processing of the Kenya Pupil's Pass, etc).
3. Facilitates staff and student exchange programmes.
4. Fundraises for scholarship opportunities/research collaborations and any other funds for UoN students and staff.
5. Facilitates initiation and coordination of Memoranda of Understanding and Agreements (MOUs/MOAs) on links/and or agreements with other institutions.

CIPL Achievements for FY 2012

In complying with its objectives, CIPL in the FY 2012/2013, made some significant achievements in some of the areas indicated below:

Performance Contract

CIPL negotiated the Performance Contract at the beginning of the FY 2012/2013 and the Centre managed to fully comply or achieve beyond its set targets in all its performance criteria in Operations, Dynamic/qualitative indicators, Service delivery, non-financial and financial indicators. Some of the performance indicators that the Centre performed beyond its targets were: The number of MOUs initiated and signed with academic institutions -fifty (50), the number of MoUs with industry eleven (11), the number of students facilitated to study in foreign institutions ten (10) and number of staff facilitated to study abroad five (5). The Centre managed to fully achieve all its performance criteria in other areas like financial stewardship, service delivery and non financial indicator.

Revised website and content

In the last quarter of 2012/2013 year, CIPL along with other units in central administration revamped its effort in updating its webpage in compliance with corporate requirement and posted new items like its newsletter and several links with other institutions. By the end of the final quarter, CIPL had 5 back links, 659,132 hits and 445 web pages. Other features in the webpage update included facebook, twitter, photo gallery and videos which have all become interactive and made the website more robust.

orporate Strategic Plan, CIPL revised, aligned and cascaded its Strategic Plan for the next five years. The revised strategic plan will invigorate the activities of the Centre to achieve more outputs.

ISO 9001:2008

CIPL as a unit in central administration, in FY 2012/13, complied with ISO 9001:2008 QMS standards despite not being audited during this period. CIPL implemented the UON corporate service delivery charter and achieved its targets for most of service delivery indicators during the performance contract period 2012/2013. CIPL regularly sensitized employees on the turn-around time aspect of the service charter and cascaded the information to all international students and other customers at all levels of the University.

Staff/Student Exchange Programme

CIPL in complying with its mandate to facilitate student mobility between University of Nairobi and International institutions or organizations was able to facilitate a total of nine students to study in foreign institutions. The students facilitated included the following: Ms Juliet Ronoh and Mr. Moses Oluoch Odhiambo from Faculty of Arts to Kalamazoo College, USA; Ms. Gloria Faith Chepkoech and Mr. John Otieno Okul also from Faculty of Arts to Science Po, among others. A complete list of students on Study Abroad Programme in 2012/2013 is shown in Table 1.

Table 1: UoN Students facilitated to study in Foreign Institutions

Names of UoN students	Country	Institution
1. Juliet Ronoh	USA	Kalamazoo College
2. Moses Oluoch Odhiambo	USA	Kalamazoo College
3. Gloria Faith Chepkoech	France	Sciences PO- France
4. John Otieno Okul	France	Sciences PO- France
5. Eric Mbae	Kenya	Total Kenya
6. Anne Muturi	Kenya	Total Kenya
7. Nelson Mwangi	Kenya	Total Kenya
8. Lilian Mutua	Kenya	Total Kenya
9. Mary W. Njenga óMasters	Italy	Universita degli studi di Roma -øLa Sapienzaøø

PhD registered students to Technische University, Dresden, to Universidade do Porto, Portugal, University of Malmo, Sweden and Maastricht School of Management, Netherlands respectively. The centre also facilitated one academic staff (George Abong Ooko) to attend a short term training to acquire specialized skills at Technische University, Germany. All these exchanges were facilitated by Mundus ACP II mobility scholarship Programme, in which the UoN is a member of the Consortium. Table 2 shows the complete list of UoN staff facilitated to study in foreign institutions.

Table 2: UoN Staff facilitated to study in Foreign Institutions

Names of staff	Institution	Country
1.Munyiva Ngea	Universidade do Porto	Portugal
2.Joseph O. Obosi	University of Malmo	Sweden
3.Monica Ngendo	Maastricht School of Management	Netherlands
4.Peter Odhiambo Oketch PhD	Technische University, Dresden	Germany
5.Stephen Nganga Mburu- PhD	Technische University, Dresden	Germany
6.George Abong Ooko	Technische University, Dresden	Germany

Visiting Professors & Research Affiliates

The University of Nairobi received four visiting Professors through the initiative of CIPL. These scholars were involved in teaching and exchange of scholarly ideas for one month at the various colleges. Dr. Anja Laitinen from Confucius Institute, University of Helsinki, to the University of Nairobi's Confucius Institute, in March 2013, Ms. Grace Muthoni from University of Oxford to Wangari Maathai Institute for Peace and Environmental Studies, Prof. Andres Fernandez Cornejo, from Universidad Complutense de Madrid to School of Economics. Dr. Tatyana Sivkova from Perm State Agricultural Academy, Russia to Department of Veterinary Pathology, Microbiology and Parasitology 2012/2013 mobility period.



UoN Exchange Student 3rd left (John Okul) socializing with colleagues at Sciences-Po, Paris France.



Students on exchange programme at UoN during a class session at the Confucius Institute, University of Nairobi in March 2013.

Signing of 50 MOUs with academic institutions and 11 with industry during the 2012/2013 financial year. These MOUs resulted in successful projects such as: training of postgraduate students, masters student dissertations, clinical research, several scholarships and research grants, support of honorary lecturers, publication of books, consultancy services, student and staff exchange programmes, among others. Table 3 below shows a highlight of the various MOU initiated or renewed during FY 2012.13.

Table 3: The MOUs initiated during the FY 2012/13 with various Institutions

	MOU Signed with Academic institutions	Date Signed	Country
1	University of Reading	11/5/2013	UK
2	Kenya Forestry Research Institute (KEFRI)	6/11/2012	Kenya
3	Asian Management and Development Institute	5/10/2012	India
4	Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Centre	27/09/2012	Seattle
5	University of Washington	12/10/2012	USA
6	Curtin University	16/01/2013	Australia
7	University of Juba	26/11/2012	South Sudan
8	Health Volunteers Overseas	13/11/2012	Kenya
9	University of California San Francisco	27/09/2012	USA
10	The Regents of University of California	27/09/2012	USA
11	University of Maryland for YR02 Prime K. Programme	30/10/2012	USA
12	University of Washington YR02 Prime K Program, Linked MNCH	26/10/2012	USA
13	Kenyatta University - Irim Admin. Supplement	30/01/2012	Kenya
14	University of Maryland for YR 01 Prime k. Program	26/10/2012	USA
15	Lanzhou University	16/01/2013	China
16	Fred Hutchinson Cancer Res. No. 0000951711	27/09/2012	Kenya
17	University of Washington for YR01 Prime K. Program	26/10/2012	USA
18	University of Washington for YR02. Afya Bora	26/10/2012	USA
19	Kenyatta N. Hosp. Irim Admin. Supplement	26/10/2012	Kenya
20	University of Washington for YR02 Prime K. Program	26/11/2012	USA

		by OAU Ife Nigeria	25/01/2013	Nigeria
		gram UNEP	20/07/2012	Kenya
23		Intergovernmental Authority for Development (IGAD)	26/11/2012	Djibouti
24		SMC University	26/07/2012	Switzerland
25		University of Sydney	27/09/2012	Australia
26		Norwegian Petroleum Academy	13/8/2012	Norway
27		AERC Agreement No. AS13K10	12/9/2012	Kenya
28		AERC Agreement No. AS13K11	12/9/2012	Kenya
29		University of Washington 725211	25/07/2012	USA
30		Oho Von Guerche - University of Magdeburg	7/9/2012	Germany
31		Mundus ACP II	10/9/2012	Portugal
32		University of Lubumbashi	15/10/2012	Congo
33		Kenyatta University Prime K. Program	8/11/2012	Kenya
34		San Francisco State University	24/08/2012	USA
35		Sookmyung Women's University	31/01/2013	South Korea
36		Hanbat National University	16/01/2013	South Korea
37		African Network Agric. Forestry(ANAFE)	7/2/2013	Kenya
38		Ministry of Gender, Children & Social Development	21/01/2013	Kenya
39		University of Washington 746605, Fogatry	4/1/2013	USA
40		Brisbane Institute of strengths based practice	9/10/2012	Australia
41		Linkoping University	13/02/2013	Sweden
42		University Manitoba	22/01/2013	Canada
43		University of Washington for YR05 United Fellowship	30/09/2012	USA
44		University of Nice Sophia, Antipolis	2/4/2012	France
45		University of Witwatersrand	21/01/2013	RSA
46		International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI)	31/12/2012	Kenya
47		University of Marien Ngouabi	14/11/2012	Gabon
48		Technische Universitet Dresden	6/2/2013	Germany
49		State University of New York	7/4/2013	USA
50		UNESCO	28/05/2013	Kenya

	es	Date Signed	
51	Eura Innovations GmbH	18/11/2012	Germany
52	Norwegian Petroleum Academy	29/01/2013	Norway
53	China Earthquake Admin (CEA)	25/10/2012	China
54	Central Bank of Kenya	28/02/2013	Kenya
55	World Economic Forum	21/11/2012	Switzerland
56	Arcemittal Liberia limited	18/2/2013	Liberia
57	University of Petroleum and Energy	2/4/2013	India
58	Total Kenya	15/10/2012	Kenya
59	Osaka in the world committee	8/2/2013	Japan
60	International Atomic Energy and Agency	24/01/2013	Austria
61	Mitsubishi Corporation	18/02/2013	Japan

Fundraising Initiatives

CIPL facilitated six (6) fundraising initiatives that have resulted in a number of scholarships and student exchanges. These included: Commonwealth Scholarships, Kalamazoo College from USA, Education International (EI), and European Commission funded programmes (Mundus ACP II, ANGLE, ARISE, AFIMEGQ) and CIPL Income generating unit.

ANGLE, AFIMEG & ARISE Programmes

The University of Nairobi has also been successful in the European Commission Intra-ACP bids. The Intra-ACP programme is a cooperation and mobility programme in the area of higher education, implemented by the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) and the University of Nairobi is a partner in the above consortia. This programme aims to promote African Higher Education, improve career prospects for students from partner universities and also to promote intercultural understanding through cooperation in accordance with European Union (EU) external policy objectives.

mobility projects under this programme namely AFIMEGQ, University of Yaouode 1, University of Porto and University of Cape Town respectively. Within these projects, eligible students, researchers and academic and administrative staff from University of Nairobi have benefited from full Masters degree mobility, PhD Mobility for ten months and academic/administrative staff mobility for one month.

Conferences/Exhibitions

CIPL's strategic activities for 2012/2013 included marketing activities of CIPL locally and internationally by use of mass media, websites, workshops and exhibitions.

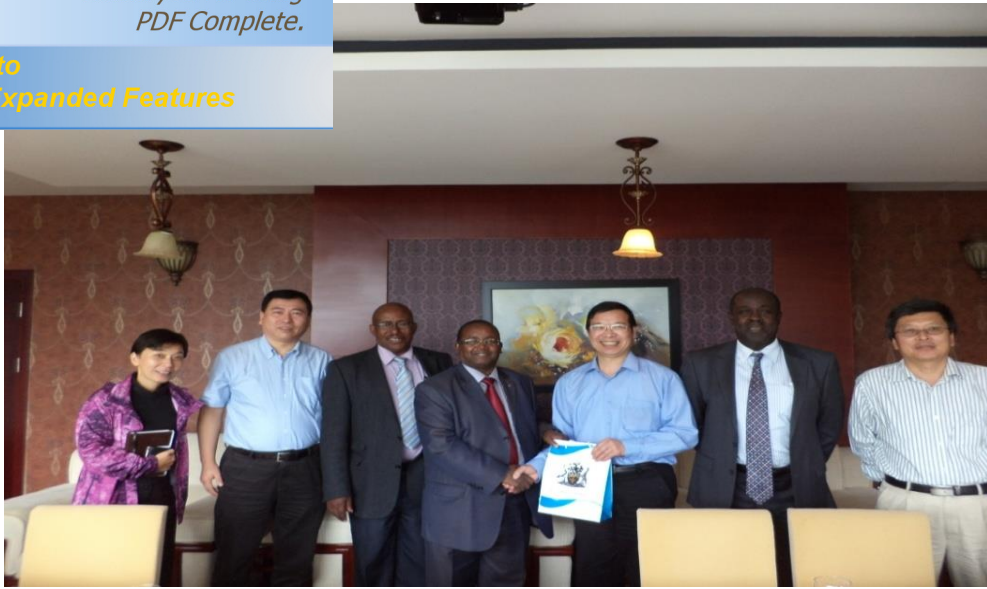
The Director attended several workshops related to fundraising and EC scholarship opportunities in the year 2012/2013 and these are listed below:

1. Prof. S.E.O. Mitema, The Director, CIPL together with Mrs R. Omwandho, Assistant Registrar, DVC (RPE) Division, participated in an Intra-ACP launch for both ARISE and AFIMEGQ meeting at the University of Stellenbosch, RSA, from 16th -20th October, 2012.
2. The Director visited Shanghai Finance University together with Prof. Enos N. Njeru, Principal, CHSS and Prof. Stephen N.M. Nzuve, Dean, School of Business, on official university business to discuss implementation of MoU between University of Nairobi and SHFU Shanghai, China from 26th-31st October, 2012.
3. Prof. S.E.O. Mitema attended the kick off meeting of the AFIMEGQ, funded by Intra-ACP, EC Mwalimu Nyerere programme at University of Yaounde 1, Cameroun from, 6th -11th January, 2013.
4. The Director visited University of Cape Verde at Praia, Cape Verde to attend a meeting to discuss Mundus ACP II and ANGLE EC Programmes from 15th to 22nd February 2013

- the second time, Shanghai Finance University together with Stephen N.M. Nzuve, Dean, School of Business, on official university business to follow-up on the implementation of the students exchange between University of Nairobi and SHFU Shanghai, China from 19th to 26th April 2013
6. Prof. S.E.O. Mitema attended the ANGLE Consortium Universities selection meeting at the University of South Pacific Suva, Fiji, from 4th-11th May 2013.
 7. Mr. M. Nyamu, the Assistant registrar at CIPL participated in the 11th Commission for University Education (CUE) Formerly Commission for Higher Education exhibition held at KICC, Nairobi from 20th to 22nd June, 2013.



Visitors at the CIPL stand at the Commission for University Education stand, KICC Nairobi on 21st June, 2013.



Director CIPL, Principal CHSS and Dean School of Business- visit to Shanghai Finance University, China between 26th-31st October, 2012



Director's visit (3rd row centre) to the University of Stellenbosch , South Africa to attend the launch of Intra ACP Meeting between 16th-20th October 2012

changes during this FY 2012/2013. Mr. Mathew M. Nyamu, an Assistant Registrar, was deployed on 15th July, 2012, following a transfer from the College of Agriculture & Veterinary Sciences (CAVS). A new Senior Administrative Assistant, Mr. Sydney K. Kili, formerly of the Ministry of Higher Education, Science & Technology was recruited and reported on 15th May 2013. The full list of staff members is shown in the Table 4.

Table 4: List of staff members at CIPL

	Designation	Name
1	Director	Prof. Simon E. O. Mitema
2	Assistant Registrar	Mr. Mathew M. Nyamu
3	Senior Administrative Assistant	Mr. Sydney K. Kili
4	Senior Secretary	Ms. Carolyne M. Imbayi
5	Assistant Secretary	Ms. Sophia W. Ngugi
6	Records Clerk	Mr. Ezekiel N. Odongo
7	Office Assistant	Mr. Meshack O. Onyango

CIPL in its undertaking to raise the level of competence to the staff members facilitated the training of staff in fire fighting skills, sign language, records management and integrity training on corruption.

Visitors to the CIPL

In FY 2012/13, CIPL facilitated cooperation between University of Nairobi and several international and local partners that saw several visits to the CIPL. These include among others:

1. A courtesy call to the Director, CIPL by Prof. Thandabantu Ndlapo, Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Ms. Norma Derby from University of Cape Town, South African on 8/10/2012.
2. Jonathan Tubman, Joe Denr, Sara Dimart and Dr. Njagi Mwangi, from American University, Washington, DC on 9/11/2012.



A meeting with Delegation from American University on 9th November 2012, at the Director's office

Other courtesy calls to Director, CIPL included:

Karen Joshua - Wathel Narda McCendon Kalamazoo College, USA on 27/11/2012, Emanuel Leleito from Nagoya University, Japan on 11/12/2012. Chul Woo Lee, Eung Kyu Kim, and Seon Pyo Hwang, from Hanbat National University, South Korea on 16/1/2013. Christiff Pauw from University of Stellenbosch, South Africa on 21/2/2013. Prof. Mohammed A.S. Yusuf Chancellor University of Somalia, Mogadishu Somalia, on 22/4/2013, Anja Lahtinen, from University of Helsinki, Finland on 30/4/2013 and Dr. Etienne Smith Sciences Po, France on 5/6/2013.



A meeting with Science Po: Scholar Dr. Etienne Smith of International Affairs Manager, for Sub-Saharan Africa with Prof. S.E.O. Mitema, Director CIPL at the CIPL office on 5th June, 2013.

cumulative enrolment of 915 international students in various programmes. The figures (1-2) show the number of foreign students by gender and by college. A total of 193 new students were registered in 2012/2013 academic year.

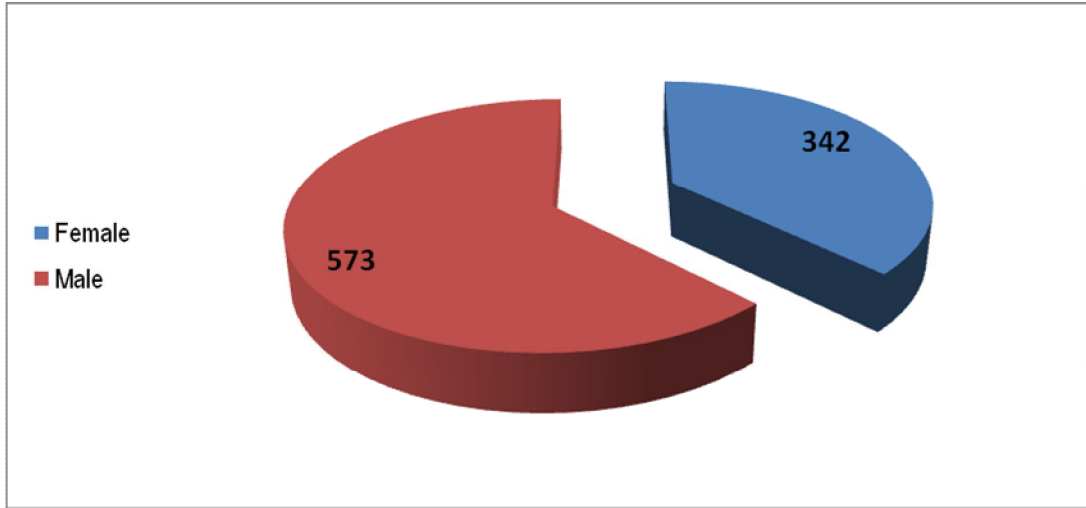


Figure 1: The total number of foreign students at UoN by gender for the Year 2012/2013
Total students (n=915)

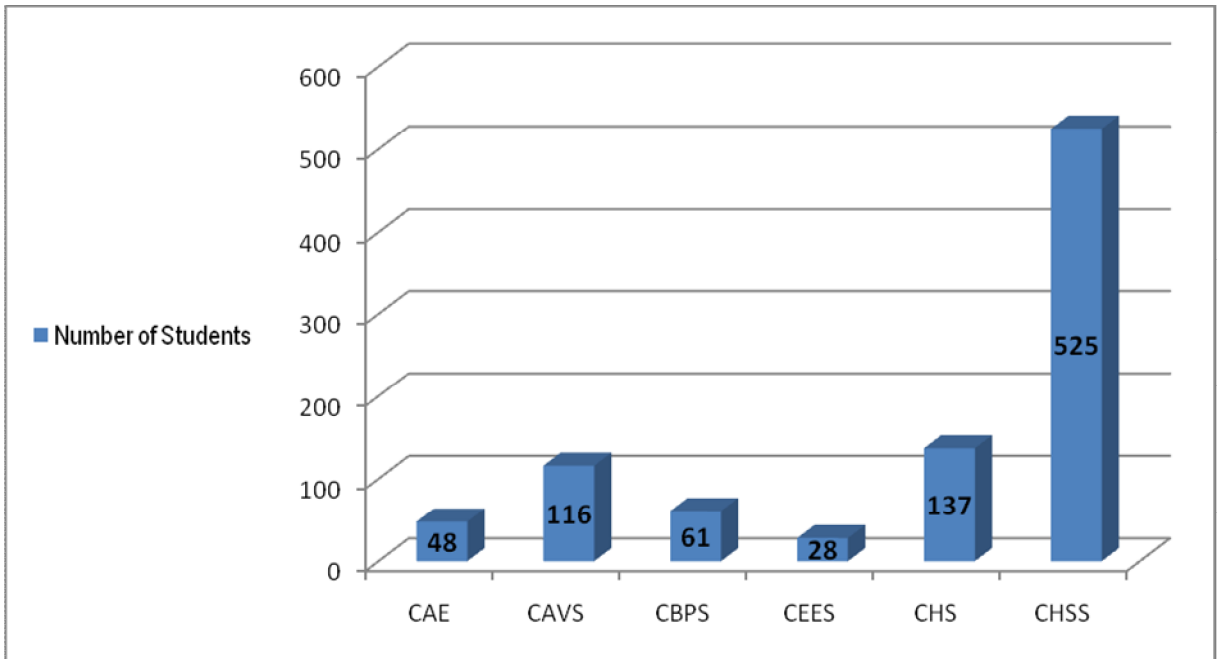



Figure 2: The total number of foreign students at UoN in the various colleges for the Year 2012/2013
Total students (n=915)



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implement a feedback mechanism for ensuring that MOUs are complied with. However, the Centre faces a challenge of facilitating and coordinating all international projects and inadequate budget for the Centre.

The physical space, CIPL office facelift and the staffing position is a limiting factor for CIPL operations. The Centre is in dire need for more space and/or facelift. The budget allocated for CIPL continues to be inadequate to cater for its expenses despite a slight increment of the budget that was affected during the beginning of financial year (2012/2013).

Accommodation for foreign students has always been a challenging issue, even though the University Management Board approved 150 bed spaces for foreign students, the centre will be handling additional responsibility for students on exchange and full-time studies. Student numbers have not increased substantially as expected and this makes CIPL fall below the target for Performance contract. New foreign student enrollment is influenced partially by the centre as other actors are in play.

Another challenge faced by the Centre is the delays in processing of the Kenya Pupils Pass (KPP), at the Immigrations office. Students are forced to continue their stay in the country with expired visa which poses the risk of being arrested by the police and thus stress to our foreign students. Obtaining information on international students' data and MOU achievements from faculties/institutes/schools is a challenge to the Centre. The Centre can therefore not truly ascertain the correct data on international students data and MOU status.

Programmes and Links will continue to demand full disclosure of all on-going international projects in departments/schools from the respective Deans/Directors. In this connection, the Centre posted the MOU monitoring questionnaire on the UoN intranet to enable it monitor and ensure compliance with the provisions of Memoranda of Understanding and Agreements by various colleges/faculties/schools/ institutes/departments. CIPL has created and will continue to maintain data on active and inactive MOUs/MOAs. It has also created and will continue to maintain up-to-date data on international student enrolment.

CIPL will continue to sensitize staff in all six colleges and create awareness on international collaborations and links, and the functions of the Centre. CIPL undertakes to hold discussions with requisite officers at the Immigration Department to find amicable solutions to the Kenya Pupil's Pass concerns. To address the challenge of student data, CIPL will hold discussion with the board members and college representatives to encourage liaison between the various colleges and CIPL concerning information on international students data and MOUs achievements.

CIPL will actively respond to student inquiries about admission into programmes offered by the University of Nairobi and liaise with Admissions office to expedite admission of international students. The Centre will devise an online application tool for foreign students in consultation with the academic registrar and the ICT department.