

## Prof. Ballance of University of Glasgow visits Moi University



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Donald Ballance of the University of Glasgow, Scotland, UK, is visiting Moi University, School of Engineering from November 26 to 30, 2018 under the Higher Education Partnership Sub-Saharan Africa Programme (HEPSSA), to which Moi University is a partner. He is a Senior Lecturer of Systems and Power at the University of Glasgow. During his visit, he will have discussions with academic staff of the School of Engineering on possible areas of collaboration, attend PhD Thesis defense, and also have meetings with School of Engineering First and Fifth Year students.

On Tuesday November 27, 2018, Prof. Ballance paid a courtesy call to the Vice-Chancellor's Office at Main Campus. He was accompanied by Prof. Joel Kibiiy, Associate Dean and Prof. Zachary Siagi, Head of Department, Mechanical and Production Engineering, both from School of Engineering of Moi University.



He reiterated the importance of students from the Engineering field to be multidisciplinary and to be integrated in the industry in order to gain additional graduate attributes such as soft skills, legal, human resource and management, among others. He further noted that there is need to move towards designing ethics and sustainability in the curricula and to fast-track evolution of engineering processes. He said he was willing to offer his experience of over 30 years in engineering field to Moi University. Dr. Peter Rutto, Registrar, Administration, Planning and Development, who hosted Prof. Balance on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Isaac S. Kosgey, emphasized the importance of strengthening the collaboration between the two Universities. Dr. Rutto further highlighted the importance of University-Industry linkages in Engineering. Also in attendance of the meeting was Dr. David Ruto, Registrar, Academics, Research and Extension.