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MISSION

Belgian Business Mission to Kenya & Uganda with a focus on Construction from **03-09 November 2019**. Details from Nairobi@hub.brussels

The Big Five Construct Expo Will take place on the **05th - 07th November 2019** at **Kenyatta International Convention Centre** Nairobi. Belgium Trade Commission will have a booth at the fair+

IN A GLANCE

The East Africa Business Council has received **\$3.2 million** from Trade mark East Africa to **tackle Trade Barriers** in the region. (The East Africa)

The European Commission is mobilising **\$55.9 million** for emergency humanitarian funding to help people hit by **drought** in four countries in the Horn of Africa. The humanitarian aid package goes to Somalia as **\$27.9 million**, Ethiopia receives **\$22.3 million**, Kenya **\$3.3 million** and Uganda **\$2.2 million** to fight famine. <https://allafrica.com/stories/201908300327.html>

KENYA

Four global lenders have pumped **Sh15 billion** into two Solar plants in Kenya making it the latest investment in **renewable energy** in the country. The project will be co-funded by the European Union's European Investment Bank (EIB), the Dutch Entrepreneurial Bank, Denmark's Frontier Energy, DL Group of Companies and Paramount Bank. (Daily Nation)

More than 2,000 families and 5000 livestock will benefit from **Sh23 million water project** in Kajiado Central in the wake of biting drought in the region. The Enkeseruna / irmotiok water project has been funded by **World Bank** in partnership with Kajiado county government. (Daily Nation)

Victoria Commercial **Bank** has secured a **Sh 1 billion** five-year loan from Swedish Investment Fund for emerging markets (SIFEM) as it intensifies debt funded growth. (Daily Nation)

Kenya Private Sector Alliance (KEPSA) has received a **\$1.5 million** (Sh154.5 million) cash funding from the Trade Mark East Africa (TMEA) to boost its activities. The Standard

The national government, in collaboration with **African Development Bank (AFDB)**, is set to implement a **Sh981 million** water and **Sanitation project** in Siaya County. (Daily Nation)

Nairobi-based **Healthcare diagnostics Company** Ilara Health has raised **Sh75.8 million** in seed funding from local and foreign venture capital firms for local expansion. (Business Daily)

The Italian government plans to fund the second phase of the Malindi Integrated Social Health Development Programme to the tune of **Sh800 million**. Coast Development Authority (CDA) said the programme in Ngomeni, Malindi, would involve **construction of roads, irrigation schemes and support to education**. <https://www.standardmedia.co.ke/article/2001340359/italy-to-fund-sh800m-social-health-projects-in-malindi>

Animal health company **Cooper K-Brands** has set up a **Sh700 million Industrial park** at Tatu City in Ruiru, as it eyes the local agricultural and dairy market to boost revenues.(Business Daily)

Juhudi Kilimo Microfinance, a Kenyan microfinance institution, has raised **Ksh 252.2 million (\$2.5 million)** in equity capital from Incofin CVSO a fund managed by Belgium-based **Incofin Investment Management**, for an undisclosed stake.(The East African)

Standard chartered Bank Kenya has set aside **Sh20 million** to support this year's search for women led technology start-ups. (Daily Nation)

Kenya is set to construct the first **hybrid power plant** in Africa Meru County. This is after the signing of a **US\$145m** deal between investment Authority (**KENINVEST**), the Meru county government and global renewable energy developers Windlab and Eurus Energy.
<https://constructionreviewonline.com/2019/09/kenya-to-construct-first-hybrid-power-plant-in-africa/>

Komaza, a forestry company that partners with Smallholder farmers in Kenya to **plant trees** for sale, is among the first beneficiaries of **Sh20.6 billion (\$200 million)** concessional loans lined up for green businesses in seven counties by US based non-profit conservation International (CI) (Business Daily)

UGANDA

The government of Uganda is set to **connect 15,000 Households to the National Grid** by the end of this month in a **US \$5M** project funded by the World Bank.. <https://constructionreviewonline.com/2019/09/uganda-to-connect-15000-households-to-the-national-grid-by-end-of-september/>

TANZANIA

Tanzania's Dar es Salaam Institute of Technology (DIT) received **US \$16m** from the World Bank for construction of regional flagship **Information and Communication Technology (ICT) centre**.
<https://constructionreviewonline.com/2019/09/tanzania-receives-us-16m-for-construction-of-ict-centre/>

The government of Tanzania is set to receive **US \$180m** loan from the African Development Bank for the **construction of the Dodoma City Outer Ring Roads**. The funds will go towards construction of 110.2km of roads to 'bitumen standard,' as well as the development of social infrastructure.
<https://constructionreviewonline.com/2019/08/tanzania-to-receive-us-180m-for-dodoma-city-outer-ring-roads-project/>

The African Development Bank has recently approved a **USD 211 millions** loan for improvements on **water and sanitation services** to decrease health care costs associated with water-related illnesses in Arusha, Northern region of Tanzania. <https://www.tanzaniainvest.com/construction/usd-211-million-loan-from-afdb-for-arusha-water-sewerage>

The Tanzania government has signed an agreement for a grant with the **World Bank** amounting to **\$4.5 million (equivalent to Sh10.35 billion)** to improve **water supply through improved solar pumping systems**. <https://allafrica.com/stories/201909250229.html>