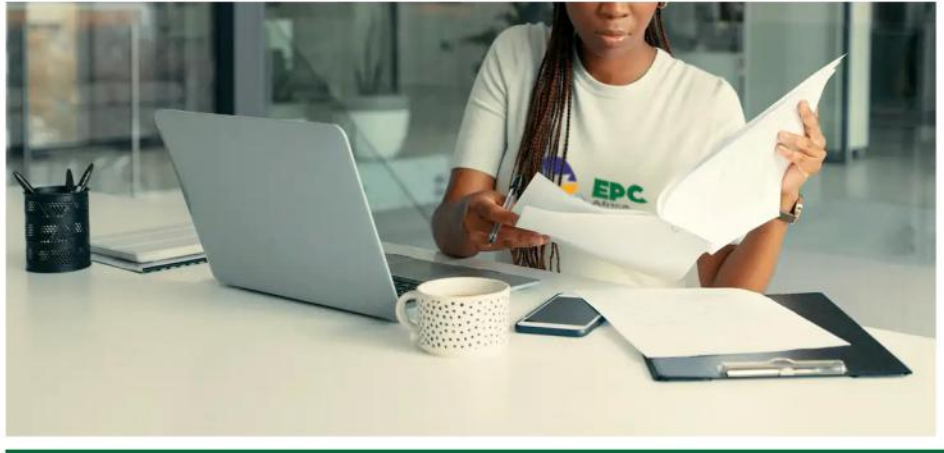


Newsletter

July - December, 2023



This Newsletter intends to provide our stakeholders with an update on the group's business and related activities that have taken place in the latter half of the year 2023.



With its headquarters in Kigali-Rwanda, **EPC Africa Group "EPCA"** is a private multi-business group of companies operating in various sectors across the African continent. EPCA's core business activities range from Design, Building, Procurement, Investment Management, Operation and Maintenance of Power plants, Power Transmission & Distribution Infrastructures, Construction, Real Estate Development, and International Trading. [read more](#)

Group Mission, Vision and Values



VISION

A Prosperous and Self-Sustained African Community



MISSION

Design, Build and Maintain Affordable Infrastructures for the African People.



VALUES

Integrity, Ownership, Teamwork, Community Impact and Innovation.

OUR SUBSIDIARIES



Through its subsidiaries and partners, EPCA is pursuing different projects in many corners of the African continent namely Kenya, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Ivory Coast, Guinea Conakry, CAR, etc...



Construction of Rusizi Port Facilities at Lake Kivu



The construction of Rusizi port by CEC is an ongoing project and one of several initiatives by GoR being implemented in Rubavu, Rusizi, and Karongi districts to enhance transportation and navigation on Lake Kivu to facilitate movement of people and goods to boost regional trade.

Once completed, Rusizi port will have the capacity to accommodate 2.3 million passengers and handle 1.3 million of cargo annually.

Currently, the Rusizi project site is undergoing soil improvement works to address challenges related to poor soil conditions.

CEC's Triumph: Provisional Handover of Rubavu Port Facility

In 2019, CEC was awarded the contract for construction of Rubavu port facility.

Despite pandemic setbacks and design challenges that led to project delays, CEC successfully managed to solely deliver the first commercial port facility of its kind in Rwanda and was provisionally handed over on December 1st, 2023.

Located on Lake Kivu, with a 1.4 million-passenger capacity, the port will enhance regional trade between Rwanda and neighboring countries, marking a significant achievement for EPC Africa Group in its quest to become a leader in developing sustainable infrastructures for the African people to promote self-reliant economic growth.



Design, supply, construction & commissioning of 110/30kV, 20 MVA power transformer & new feeders at Nyabarongo I Substation.



With the current overall progress at 95%, Nyabarongo I substation project is progressing well and is anticipated to be finished by the end of 2023.

The positioning and assembly works for the 20MVA power transformer and its earthing transformer are only a few of the significant milestones accomplished over the past three months.

Moving the current Busbar Voltage transformers, building the foundation for the 30kV Gas Insulated Switchgears and related cable trenches, stringing and tensioning the conductor, and installing the OPGW for the 30kV double circuit line from Nyabarongo I substation have all been successfully completed.

Provisional Handover of Kilinda Substation



CEC completed successfully the project for "Engineering, Procurement, and Construction (EPC) for the Upgrade of Kilinda transformer".

This project involved upgrading the existing transformer with a capacity of 1.6 MVA to a higher capacity of 10 MVA.

The objective of this upgrade was to enhance the reliability of the power supply in the region and improve its stability over time.





ENERGICOTEL Plc "ECTL" is an Independent Power Producer (IPP) and an Engineering Consulting Company with Power Purchase Agreements and Concessions to design, build, upgrade, finance, operate, and maintain power plants in Africa. Currently, ECTL operates 3 Hydro Power Plants in the Republic of Rwanda with several others under development across the African continent namely Kenya, DRC and Zimbabwe.

ECTL is the first and only Independent Power Producer "IPP" to be listed on Rwanda Stock Exchange (RSE), trading the first ever Long-Term Fixed Rate Corporate Bond issued by a private energy investor.



Regional Rusumo Falls Hydro Power Project "RRFP":

ECTL is the main subconsultant of AECOM for design review and supervision of works for the implementation of the 80MW Regional Rusumo Falls Hydro Power Project which is currently at 98% progress.

Under the NELSAP banner, RRFP is being jointly developed by Rwanda, Burundi, and Tanzania with funding from the World Bank, AfDB, and KFW.

RRFP is anticipated to generate 80MW that will be shared equally by the three countries.





AFLT

Afrilott is a subsidiary of EPCA that specializes in commodity trading, procurement and logistics (goods and equipment), supply chain Management and ICT solutions.

Commodity Trading

Considering the current global sugar shortage, Afrilott made significant strides in the commodity trading industry. AFLT imported sugar from various sources aiming to contribute to the regional food stability efforts.

By focusing on deep-seatrading to meet the needs of the many regional African markets for fast-moving commodities, Afrilott intends to establish itself as a prominent African commodity trading company within the next five years.



Procurement of Specialized Equipment

Through its specialized equipment procurement wing, Afrilott delivered the final batch of Marching Brass Instruments to one of our local clients for use during ceremonial events marking the end of the contract.

The instruments and their accessories range from Brass such as Trumpets, French horns, Trombones to Wood winds like Flute, Clarinet and Percussions like Snare Drums, Bass Drums, Cymbals, etc...

For the past ten years, Afrilott has been one an exceptional supplier of high-quality customized equipment for numerous clients in the private and public secotrs in Rwanda and the region.





The recently appointed MD of EPCA Development immediately introduced two significant projects



After being appointed as the managing director of EPCA development, Carine Kamanzi immediately launched two important projects; the development of two commercial warehouses and a modern low-cost housing project aiming to expand the group's business portfolio. Prior to this appointment, Carine Kamanzi had served in various roles at sister company CEC, including project manager, deputy managing director and managing director throughout the years.

EPCAD



We take this occasion to congratulate the EPCA Development team on their well-deserved award for the best housing technology from last month's affordable housing summit held in Abuja.

Modern & Low Cost Housing



EPCA Development recently formed a partnership targeting to develop modern and affordable homes on a 5.6 hectares in Bugesera district of the Eastern Province. Located in Kanzenze, when completed the project will boast different options including spacious 4 bedroom Villas, charming 3 and 2 bedroom Villas, along with various accessible green spaces and sports facilities.

The project is primarily intended to appeal to the middle-income earners from both the public and private sectors, including the Rwandan Diaspora communities.

New Warehouses in Kigali SEZ



EPCA Development recently embarked on an ambitious project to develop two state-of-the-art warehouse units, each spanning 4000 square meters. Situated on a vast 2.3-hectare plot of land in the Kigali Special Economic Zone, this initiative marks a significant stride in bolstering economic infrastructure. The strategically chosen location aims to enhance logistical efficiency and contribute to the region's economic growth and the Group's business diversification. EPCA Development envisions these warehouses as key pillars for fostering trade, innovation, and sustainable development. Stay tuned as we embark on this transformative journey.

EPCA CSR Initiatives

In keeping with the shareholders' pillar No. 1 "Building people & Impacting Community." The Group has been running a CSR program through its EPCA Tubakunde Initiative Program "EPCA TIP" for the past three years with the goal of enhancing educational opportunities for underprivileged children in the communities where the group companies operate from.

EPCA increased the number of families benefited by this initiative from 65 to an outstanding 100 families to expand its educational outreach.

Such ongoing initiatives demonstrate EPCA's steadfast dedication to a holistic community socio-economic empowerment.



In August 2023, additional students from Musanze and Rubavu were enrolled in the CSR program

EPCA GROUP visited and provided aid to Nyundo residents who were affected by the floods in May 2023.

On Friday 12th August 2023, in Terimbere village, Nyundo sector of Rubavu District, EPC Africa Group extended a compassionate hand to the residents of three villages within the Nyundo Sector of Rubavu District that were severely impacted by floods and landslides happened in May 2023.

The affected residents received essential supplies including food such as maize flour, beans, cooking oil, as well as kitchen utensils, cleaning materials, shoes, etc...



The Message from EPCA to Nyundo residents who received essential supplies was "We are here for You".

Social Events at EPCA Africa Group



Group Management was delighted to announce that Ms. **Joyeuse UMUTONI** (EPCA Holding), Mr. **Jean Marie Vianney Nsengiyumva** (ECTL) and Mr. **Willy KAMANA** (CEC) were selected as "Employees of the Year 2022!"

They consistently demonstrated a positive attitude, willingness to collaborate and leadership qualities that not only benefited their immediate teams but also played an important role in the success of their respective companies.

As EPCA family celebrated a 10 year Anniversary for Aimable Birori, an executive driver, they also bid a farewell to EPCA Holding M.D Mme. GAJU UMURERWA and congratulated the newly appointed EPCA Holding A.g M.D Ms. Pascaline UMUTESI. EPCA also welcomed 10 new staff members.

EPCA Christmas Staff Gathering and Thanksgiving Celebration



On December 22nd, at the headquarters of EPCA in Kagugu, the Chief Executive Officer invited all employees to celebrate the accomplishments of the year 2023. The celebration commenced with a prayer led by Pastor Jean GAKWAYA.

In addition, Mr. Emmanuel MURANGIRA, the Chairman of the Board, conveyed his appreciation to the Management team for their notable impact in comparison to the preceding two years.

The Group CEO, Ferdy Turasenga, closed by extending his wishes for a Merry Christmas and a prosperous year ahead in 2024 to the entire staff and their families. He extended an invitation to everyone to share lunch as a symbol of harmony and love.

Words of Thanksgiving

In heartfelt gratitude, we extend our thanks to the Almighty for His unwavering protection and abundant provision bestowed upon the EPCA Group staff and stakeholders. Your collective dedication and efforts, guided by divine grace, have been instrumental in our shared success. May this continued partnership be blessed with prosperity, unity, and fulfillment of our shared goals in 2024.