

WELCOMING REMARKS BY CPA PIUS MANENO, NBAA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, TO THE GUEST OF HONOUR AT THE ACCOUNTANTS' ANNUAL CONFERENCE HELD ON 6TH - 8TH DECEMBER, 2017 AT APC HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTRE - DAR ES SALAAM

Guest of Honour, CPA Prof. Mussa J. Assad, the Controller and Auditor General, on behalf of the Minister for Finance and Planning, Hon. Dr. Philip Isdor Mpango (MP),
CEOs from the Institutes of Accountants in EAC,
CEOs and Representatives of Participating Organizations,
Resources Persons,
Distinguished Guests,
Participants,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

Good morning,

Guest of Honour

It is a true pleasure for me to welcome you to the Accountants' Annual Conference 2017, here at the APC Hotel and Conference Centre. I am most delighted that you have been able to accommodate this event in your very busy schedule of activities, and also that you have been able to come, to officiate at this ceremony. I should, therefore, like to place on record my deep appreciation to you Professor Mussa Juma Assad, the Controller and Auditor General of the United Republic of Tanzania, for the honour you have accorded us by agreeing to perform this important function in the history of the accountancy profession in Tanzania.

Guest of Honour

It gives me great pleasure to welcome so many distinguished guests and participants to this annual conference. We are delighted and honoured that so many accountants have registered for the conference. I thank you very much my fellow accountants for attending the conference and the speakers for agreeing to prepare and present papers in this event.

Guest of Honour

It is also an honour for us to welcome representatives from our sister Professional Accountancy Organizations (PAOs) from the East African community, namely: Ordre des Professionnels Comptables du Burundi (OPC), Burundi Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya (ICPAK), Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Rwanda (ICPAR) and Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Uganda (ICPAU). I would also like recognise the representatives from our distinguished sponsors of this conference namely Ernest and Young (E& Y), Tanzania Electric Supply Company Limited (TANESCO), Tanga Cement, National Microfinance Bank (NMB), Tanzania Breweries Limited (TBL), UTT Amis and Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA). I am especially honoured to welcome you here at the APC Hotel and Conference Centre.

Guest of Honour

This conference is the gathering of members of the accountancy profession, Audit Committee Members, Directors of Entities and academicians and all interested persons to appraise their activities for the year and to share insights, knowledge and competencies about

ongoing and future challenges that involve the emerging roles of accountancy and the Industrial Economy as per our Conference theme.

Guest of Honour

In this conference, participants will get an opportunity to discuss important issues that are related to the accountancy profession and other general issues in order to explore the opportunities and meet challenges of the Accountancy Profession in line with the move to Industrial Economy. This conference will cover issues related to the accounting, auditing, business, taxation and other general issues that seem to be relevant to the development of the national economy.

Guest of Honour

In this conference, participants will have a common platform for sharing experiences in various professional issues, for example sharing experiences on financial credit, lending capacity of the financial institutions and availability of financial information to the users and further to the role to be played by professional accountants in order to contribute to the development of our economy.

Guest of Honour

The presentations and discussions of these papers shown in the conference programme will surely provide a foundation for what we expect will be a stimulating commitment to supporting the ongoing efforts of the country towards the fight against corruption and embezzlement of resources in reaching the industrial economy. Many people support these efforts, and to say the truth Accountants are the

gate keeper of all financial transactions and that is why the community expects accountants to cooperate with the governments on the fight against corruption, irresponsibility and the like.

Our Guest of Honour

As a matter of fact and this goes without saying that our country is blessed with various industry since independence, however, due to some mismanagements, the industrial sector was not doing well, as you will note from the conference theme "Industrial Economy and the Emerging roles of Accountants". This conference will raise serious discussion on our role as accountants, and this is because we want to prepare our members to be ready in making sure our resources are utilised in acceptable manner to reach the national targets.

Guest of Honour

CPA Professor Mussa Juma Assad, Controller and Auditor General of the United Republic of Tanzania, we thank you very much for coming to this conference and we look forward to your opening remarks on the conference.

Our Guest of Honour, it is with greater pleasure and honour that I now invite you to officially open this conference.

Thank you