

ELIMIKA PROJECT

The book, a product of the University's Elimika project "*Knowledge for Wealth Creation: A Kenyan Perspective*" was launched at the University of Nairobi. It has eight authors and is edited by Prof. Judith Bahemuka, Joshua Kivuva and Dr. George Michuki.

Presiding over the launch, former Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya, Dr. Willy Mutunga, spoke about alternative leadership.

Dr. Willy Mutunga said that The Elimika Book brings together scholars from different fields with different perspectives on different matters which when put together builds on our understanding of the knowledge of the constitution and governance. This publication is about hope, I like the idea of multidisciplinary approach that was used to write the book. African countries need to tap into new knowledge, technologies and innovations to enable them turn their economies into streams of wealth."

Makueni County Governor, Prof. Kivutha Kibwana, touched on the role of engaging the community in such initiatives.

Dr. Manu Chandaria, the Chancellor, United States International University (USIU), emphasized on the importance of knowledge dissemination for wealth creation.

Maurice Makoloo, Regional Director, Ford Foundation, echoed the words of the Kenyan national anthem 'Plenty be found within our borders' and asked that there may be plenty of trust, plenty of knowledge, plenty of equity, plenty of patience as this is needed in the process of devolution. Makoloo also highlighted the role of universities and initiatives such as Elimika.

Speaking on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor, University of Nairobi, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Human Resource and Administration, Prof. Stephen Kiama, said that Elimika has played a big role in impacting communities.