

**ADDRESS BY MR. NGENE GITUKU, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD,
COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION OF KENYA, DURING THE
LAUNCH OF THE 3RD STRATEGIC PLAN 2013-18, ON 29TH NOVEMBER
2013**

**Our Chief Guest, Dr. Fred Matiang'i, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of
Information, Communications and Technology**

**Mr. Joseph ole Tiampati, Principal Secretary, Ministry of Information,
Communications and Technology**

Mr. Francis Wangusi, Director-General, CCK

Directors of the CCK Board

Members of USAC

**Chairman of the National Assembly Committee on Energy, Information and
Communications**

**Chairman and members of the Senate Committee on Education and
Information Technology**

Invited Guests

Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen

Good morning to you all

It is a great privilege for me to address you this morning as we launch the 3rd Strategic Plan of the Commission for the 2013-18 period.

The development of the plan has taken a lot of effort and time, and I am confident that the final output is a good roadmap for the Commission for the next five years. Today we celebrate the culmination of the fruitful collaboration and more importantly, a roadmap that will guide our operations in the next five years.

The Commission developed its first strategic plan in 2005. The second strategic plan was a five-year plan covering the period 2008-13. Today, we unveil our third

Strategic Plan having been developed through a consultative process with stakeholders in the ICT Sector. The plan acknowledges the changing environment and the need to convert from a mere regulator into a facilitator. This informed our **new Purpose/mission** which is to: ***“Facilitate the Transformation of Lives through Progressive Regulation of the Information and Communication Technology Sector”***.

Our mandate as reflected in the Kenya Information and Communications Act (KICA) Cap 411A is clear cut. However, you will appreciate that the Commission is also bracing itself to the changes that are necessitated by the new dispensation under our new Constitution. The plan took into consideration of these envisaged changes in the industry as well as other external factors that are likely to influence our operations.

We now have a new vision: ***“Access to and use of Information and Communication services by all in Kenya by 2018”*** .

Ladies and gentlemen, as a regulator of the ICT sector, we recognize the importance of providing an enabling environment for ICT development, enhancing and modernizing our institutional capacity, facilitating sector infrastructure and service development and promoting sector market development. However, all these can only be achieved if there is mutual trust among all the players – our clients and licensees, the Government, consumers of ICT services and ourselves. I call upon you to support us in our endeavour to transform lives of Kenyans.

As an organisation refocused our energy and resources towards this common good and we also call upon other stakeholders to join hands with us . The global and indeed local ICT market is growing exponentially and creating a whole brand new opportunities. We would like to make these opportunities real for Kenyans especially the young people who are already shaping the future through innovation. We believe that Kenya has the potential to gain a global edge. What we need is to work together to gain the extra momentum that is invaluable for the successful realization of our plans as an industry.

As you have heard from the DG’s presentation, CCK’s Strategy hinges on four (4) Pillars, 17 Strategic Objectives, 54 Strategic Activities and numerous detailed

tasks. Our goal is to maintain the hard working spirit and exemplify ourselves as a performance - driven organization. As with any plan, we are fully alive to the fact that challenges will arise. However, I am confident that with this solid plan, we shall effectively handle any issues that come our way and make a visible contribution to the broader MTP II of Vision 2030.

Ladies and gentlemen, as I conclude, allow me to reiterate that as a Commission, we are fully committed to implementing the clearly articulated goals in this Plan. We undertake to work with our parent Ministry of ICT and all stakeholders to continuously develop appropriate policies and review of the regulatory regimes to meet the needs of all Kenyans.

Lastly, Allow me to take this opportunity to commend all our stakeholders who provided invaluable inputs during the produce of this Strategic Plan. Let also thank our consultants, McKinney Rogers under whose guidance this plan was developed.

It is now my pleasant duty to call upon the **PS MoICT to give a few remarks and also** invite the **Cabinet Secretary MoICT** to officially launch the Commission's 3rd Strategic Plan for the period 2013 – 2018.

Thank you.