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STATEMENT FROM THE CEO TO THE KENIC TEAM

– Finishing 2025 with Purpose

As we gathered for our 12th Town Hall meeting, I was reminded of how far we have come this year. I want to share the core message of that session with everyone: your life—and our organization—does not get better by chance; it gets better by change.

Currently, we are in the "last lap" of the race. I recently returned from ICANN84 in Norway and Domain Days in Dubai with a clear realization: the world will not remember the days you tried, but the days you quit. We must give this last mile our all, because how we end this year will determine exactly how we begin the next.

We are more than just a registry; we are about identity. The domain space is evolving into a strategic asset, and we are moving quickly to stay ahead: Global Expansion, Technological Excellence and Strategic Partnerships.

Success is about taking calculated risks and maintaining consistent action. Let's keep our eyes on the prize, stay proactive, and finish this year stronger than we started.



**Andrew Lewela Mwanyota,
.KE Chief Evangelist & CEO,**
said at the Q4 Internal Townhall
meetings (held October, November &
December 2025)

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OCTOBER– DECEMBER 2025 HIGHLIGHTS

1. Team Building Retreat: Unity, Wellness & Growth

October, the .KE team came together for a three-day team-building retreat at Nokras Riverine Hotel in Sagana, from Friday to Sunday. The retreat brought colleagues together for an engaging and impactful experience designed to strengthen connections and align our shared goals.

A standout moment was an insightful session on employee wellbeing, mental wellness, and mental health, underscoring the importance of fostering a healthy and supportive work environment.



Front Row (L-R): Fiona Ongeso, Esther Adwets, Ann Wahito, Doreen Khamala, Maureen Fedha, Robert Mwanzia

Back Row (L-R): Gitau Muraguri, Brian Mochengera, Abigael Omwenga, Stephen Wafula, June Ogana, Hilda Maina, Zipporah Muchiri, Andrew Lewela, Evans Muleka, Eric Ndung'u

2. KeNIC at Africa Internet Summit 2025

October, Landi Ahmed, KeNIC's Technology, Information & Security Manager, represented KeNIC at the Africa Internet Summit 2025 (AIS25) in Accra, Ghana. The summit brought together ICT leaders from across Africa to explore digital opportunities under the theme *"One Continent, Infinite Possibilities: Driving Africa's Digital Renaissance."*

KeNIC's participation highlighted Kenya's leadership in advancing Africa's digital ecosystem through collaboration, capacity building, and shared vision.



R-L: Ahmed Landi (Technology, Information & Security Manager), participant at the Africa Internet Summit 2025 and James Turuthi (Board member).

3. Celebrating Customer Service Week at KeNIC



R-L: Jane Gakai, Gloria Anjia, Natasha Amuhaya, Ann Wahito, Maureen Fedha & Robert Kiptanui

October's customer Service Week at KeNIC was marked by positive energy, big smiles, and a shared commitment to excellence. The team reflected on the values that guide our work—Excellence First, Innovation Driven, and Integrity Unshakable—and our passion for serving the .KE community. Adding to the cheer, the KeNIC team enjoyed delicious cookies throughout the week, a sweet touch that made the celebrations even more memorable.



We also celebrated the dedication and reliability of our registrar community, including Host Africa, Kenya Website Experts, and Truwest. Their consistent support, quality service delivery, and strong collaboration play a vital role in strengthening the .KE brand and ensuring a trusted, seamless domain experience for users across the country.

Together, we recognize their invaluable contribution in shaping a more responsive and customer-focused .KE ecosystem.



4. KeNIC-I&M Bank Kenya Courtesy Meeting

October, KeNIC held a courtesy meeting with I&M Bank Kenya CEO, Mr. Gul Khan, to celebrate our strong financial partnership and explore new areas of collaboration. Discussions focused on digital transformation, digital literacy, cybersecurity awareness, and supporting MSMEs in going online.

The engagement reaffirmed our shared commitment to strengthening Kenya's digital ecosystem and expanding the reach of the .KE brand through impactful collaboration.



5. KeNIC at the Siaya County Digital Summit



October, the KeNIC team participated in the Siaya County Digital Summit held from October 8–10, 2025, in Bondo, Siaya County. Organized by the ICT Authority, the summit focused on promoting digital literacy, innovation, and entrepreneurship among youth and local businesses, aligning with KeNIC's mandate to advance .KE domains, digital transformation, and online safety.

Through public awareness and hands-on training, KeNIC strengthened engagement in the Lake Region, highlighting the importance of .KE domains for credibility and online visibility. Key contributions included e-commerce training led by Commercial and Partnership Manager Eric Ngungu with registrar Hostnali, cybersecurity sessions by Technology Manager Landi Ahmed, and live domain registration demonstrations by Hostnali Webhost Ltd.

6. KeNIC at Domain Days Dubai 2025



October, KeNIC participated in Domain Days Dubai 2025, engaging global industry leaders and strengthening international partnerships. KeNIC also featured in the conference programme with a session highlighting the role of domain naming, local digital infrastructure, and access initiatives in advancing Africa's digital growth. A major highlight was the launch of a global online auction for four ultra-short .KE domain hacks—zu.ke, si.ke, le.ke, and lo.ke—showcasing the growing global appeal of the .KE namespace. Throughout the event, the team engaged in discussions on domain management, cybersecurity, and digital infrastructure, reinforcing KeNIC's role in Africa's digital transformation.

The summit also advanced strategic collaborations led by CEO and Chief Evangelist Andrew Mwanyota Lewela and Commercial & Partnerships Manager Eric Ndungu, strengthening the global presence of the .KE brand. Looking ahead, KeNIC will co-host Domain Summit Africa 2026 with the London Domain Summit, further supporting Africa's digital connectivity and domain ecosystem.

7. KeNIC at the Mobile World Congress 2025

October, a training and peer learning session on DNS and ccTLD processes was held during the MWC Kigali event, with KeNIC represented by our Finance & Strategy Manager, CPA Hildah Maina. The session equipped African governments, regulators, and national agencies to better manage critical Internet infrastructure, including ccTLDs and DNS Security Extensions (DNSSEC).

This initiative, part of a broader collaboration between Smart Africa and ICANN, supports a secure and resilient foundation for Africa's digital transformation and sovereignty.



9. KeNIC at ICANN84 Annual General Meeting

October, KeNIC Chairman Paul Kariuki and .KE Chief Evangelist & CEO Andrew Mwanyota Lewela represented Kenya at the ICANN84 Annual General Meeting in Dublin, Ireland, from 25–30 October 2025. During their visit, they also met H.E. Ambassador Tabu Irina, MBS, at the Kenyan Embassy, strengthening diplomatic and strategic ties.

The six-day AGM brought together global Internet stakeholders to showcase ICANN's work, enhance public engagement, and expand capacity-building opportunities, providing Kenya a platform to influence discussions shaping the future of the global Domain Name System.



L-R: Andrew Lewela (CEO KENIC), H.E. Ambassador Tabu Irina,MBS & Paul Kariuki
(KENIC Chairman)

10. KeNIC at the CIO100 Symposium & Awards



November 19–21, 100 tech trailblazers were honored at the #CIO100 Symposium & Awards, celebrating innovation, leadership, and digital transformation. KeNIC was represented by our .KE Chief Evangelist & CEO, Andrew Mwanyota Lewela, who engaged with industry leaders on the role of local digital infrastructure, secure online ecosystems, and the growing impact of the .KE domain in Kenya's digital growth.

We congratulate all the winners for their vision and commitment in shaping a brighter digital future for Africa.

11. Building a Culture of Creativity, Innovation & Agility

November, our team kicked off a two-day Innovation, Creativity, and Agility training with rapid ideation, collaborative problem-solving, and engaging activities to stretch our thinking. Day 2 focused on reflection, practical application, and frameworks to embed innovation and agility into daily work.

Thanks to SBD Institute | Leadership and Management Training for delivering an empowering and transformative experience.



12. KeNIC at the Marketing Society of Kenya (MSK) Gala Awards 2025

December, KeNIC attended the MSK Gala Awards, an event that brought together industry leaders, partners, and innovators to celebrate excellence, creativity, and impactful contributions across the digital and media landscape. The gala provided a valuable platform for networking, collaboration, and engagement with stakeholders shaping Kenya's evolving digital ecosystem.

Our participation reflected KeNIC's continued commitment to supporting initiatives that recognize innovation and leadership, while strengthening partnerships that contribute to a vibrant and inclusive digital future. Events such as the MSK Gala Awards reinforce the importance of collaboration in driving progress and amplifying Kenya's digital identity.

We congratulate all the award winners whose dedication, talent, and innovation continue to set new standards of excellence. Your achievements inspire growth, creativity, and positive impact across the industry, and we celebrate your remarkable contributions.



L-R: Natasha Amuhaya (Marketing & Communication Intern), Ann Wahito (Relationship Officer), Gitau Muraguri (Marketing & Communications Manager) and June Ogana (Customer Service Executive),

13. KeNIC at the Association of Women Accountants of Kenya Annual Dinner

December, KeNIC attended the Association of Women Accountants of Kenya (AWAK) Annual Dinner, an evening of thoughtful reflection and meaningful conversation. A key highlight of the event was an inspiring address by Secretary to the Cabinet, Mercy Wanjau, who spoke on "The Power of the Pause," a message that resonated strongly as the year draws to a close.

The conversation offered a timely reminder that growth is not only found in constant action, but also in taking moments to reflect, reset, and breathe. The evening reinforced the importance of balance, resilience, and self-awareness, encouraging participants to honor their seasons and approach both personal and professional journeys with intention and grace. It served as a powerful call to lead with purpose and compassion in an ever-evolving work environment.



L-R: Jane Gakai, Zipporah Muchiri, Gloria Anjia, Ann Wahito, Natasha Amuhaya, June Ogana, Hilda Maina & Maureen Fedha

14. KeNIC at the Africa DNS and Engagement Forums 2025

December, KeNIC was proudly represented by our Chief Evangelist & CEO, Andrew Mwanyota Lewela, at the Africa DNS Forum 2025, themed “Resiliency of the DNS in Africa”, and the Africa Engagement Forum 2025, themed “A Space Where All Voices Shape Africa’s Internet Future”, held in Accra, Ghana, on December 9th and 10th.

These forums brought together key stakeholders from across the continent to exchange insights on regional priorities, Universal Acceptance, and the future of Africa’s internet landscape. KeNIC’s participation reinforced the visibility of the .KE domain and highlighted Kenya’s leadership role in advancing a secure, inclusive, and resilient digital ecosystem.



15. KeNIC at Data Privacy and Governance Society of Kenya End-Year Party



December, our very own Esther Adwets, Data Protection and Quality Assurance Officer, stole the show at the recent Data Privacy and Governance Society of Kenya (DPGSK) end-year party.

Tasked with a creative assignment to represent data privacy concepts, Esther took home the "Best Dressed" award for her ingenious submission: "Privacy by Design."

The Concept: Peek-A-Byte

Esther’s ensemble featured a custom "Peek-A-Byte" t-shirt with the iconic "Error 404: Data Not Found" glitch mask. She paired this with full-face headgear to symbolize the ultimate goal of data protection: anonymity and technical safeguards.

A Lesson in Data Minimization

While the party was a time to celebrate, Esther used her outfit to send a powerful message about the industry's most critical challenges.

Congratulations to Esther for representing the team so creatively and for bringing home the win!

16. KeNIC Joins the Technical Community Coalition on Multistakeholderism (TCCM)

KeNIC has been appointed as a Secretariat member of the Technical Community Coalition on Multistakeholderism (TCCM), a global platform uniting technical Internet organizations worldwide. This membership enables KeNIC to:

- Engage more effectively with global Internet governance forums such as the IGF and the WSIS High-Level Forum
- Advocate for Kenya’s interests in technical Internet policy, sustainable digital governance, and an open, secure, and resilient Internet
- Participate in multistakeholder processes shaping global digital policy, including the WSIS Action Lines and the Global Digital Compact
- Collaborate with governments, industry, and other stakeholders to strengthen the role of the technical community in Internet governance

As part of the TCCM Secretariat, KeNIC will help advance impactful digital policy decisions and ensure Kenya’s technical expertise is represented globally.



INTERNAL REWARDS AND RECOGNITION AWARDS

Congratulations to our Q3 2025 Communication Champions



WINNERS

R-L: Doreen Khamala, Jane Gakai, Maureen Fedha, Hilda Maina & Zipporah Muchiri —each received a gift voucher.



1st RUNNERS UP

R-L: June Ogana, Fiona Ongeso, Evans Muleka, Landi Ahmed & Eric Ndung'u —each received a gift voucher.



2nd RUNNERS UP

R-L: Brian Mochangera, Natasha Amuhaya, Stephen Wafula & Esther Adwets —each received a gift voucher.

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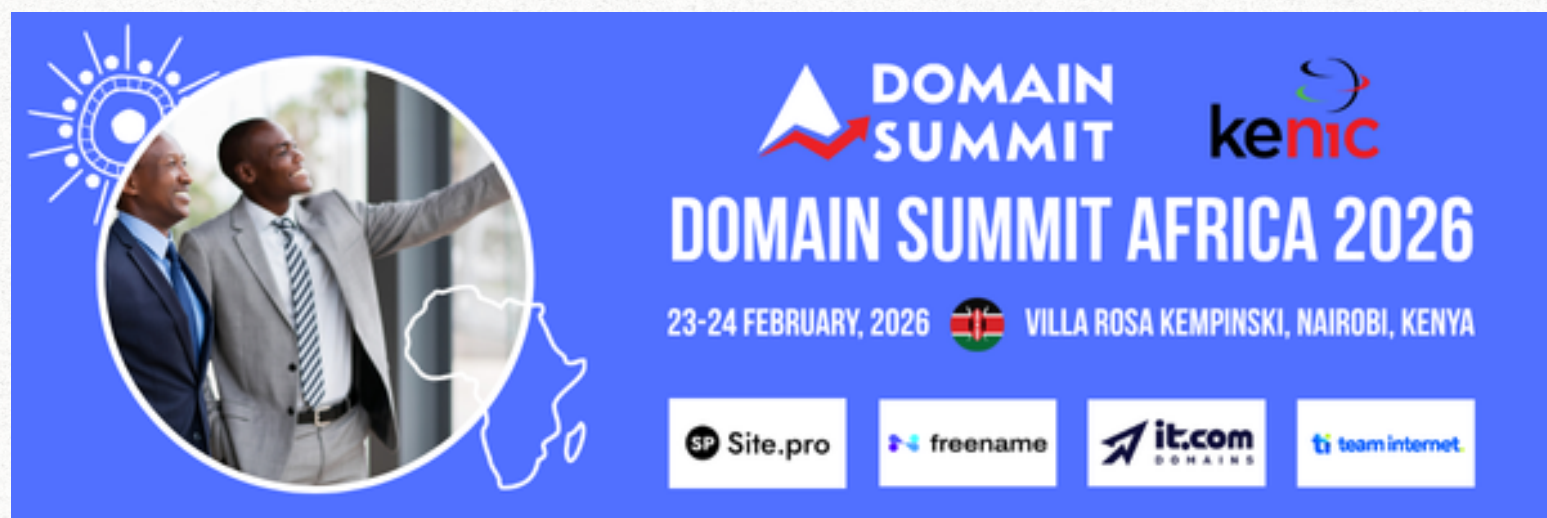
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Villa Rosa Kempinski, Chiromo Rd, Nairobi, Nairobi County, PRH5+6H, Kenya.

- 22 February 2026 - private KeNIC office tour and networking drinks evening at Villa Rosa Kempinski (open for all registered attendees).
- 23-24 February 2026 - Keynotes, sessions, workshops and exhibition.
- 25 February 2026 - Safari tour (pre-approved attendees only).

📍 Villa Rosa Kempinski, Chiromo Rd, Nairobi, Kenya (please contact us for special link to get your rooms at Kempinski for very special and exceptionally good rates).

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We look forward to welcoming you to Villa Rosa Kempinski Nairobi for Domain Summit Africa 2026! [**REGISTER NOW.**](#)



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