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TCC HOLDS FIRST COURSE FOR 2014 ON SCIENTIFIC COMMUNICATION AND PUBLISHING

The first course on Scientific Communication and Publishing was held at the University of Nairobi, College of Veterinary and Agricultural Sciences (CAVS) Kenya. The long course started on 17 February and ran through to 21 February, 2014 and was organized by the Training Centre in Communication (TCC) Nairobi. This was the third course to be held in this college and was facilitated in partnership with the department of Land Resource Management and Agricultural Technology.

Fourteen participants, from Kenya and Rwanda from the Tea Research Foundation, University of Nairobi and the Kenya Medical Research Institute took part in the course. The style of training was highly interactive complete with time allocated for discussions. The students had been encouraged to come with their own material, making it easier for them to critique their own work.

The entire course was facilitated by the TCC local team, namely, Mr John Kamanu an agronomist and a Land Resource Management PhD candidate at the Land Resource Management and Agricultural Technology at the University of Nairobi, Ms. Joy Owango a Scientific Communications Consultant and Manager of the Training Centre in Communication, Mr. Januarius Agullo a PhD candidate and Tutorial Fellow at the University of Nairobi, School of Engineering, Department of Environmental and Biosystems Engineering and Mr. Charles Kaduwa a development practitioner.

TCC is a not for profit organization set up in 2006 and is in partnership with the University of Nairobi and is the first African-based Training Centre to teach effective communication skills. TCC has its headquarters at the University of Nairobi, Gecaga Institute, Chiromo Campus, and Nairobi, Kenya.

The centre’s mission is to contribute to the increase in profile, locally, and internationally, of African science, and its impact on the life of Africans, by improving skills in technical communication in all forms, at academia and other relevant forums, in African countries.
TCC has also partnered with Kenyatta University, Kenya, in training scientists in communication and publishing. TCC has opened a satellite office in Nigeria in partnership with Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria (OAU), through the Directorate of Linkages and Sponsored Research. The new office trains research scientists and postgraduate students from the Western Africa sub-Saharan region. TCC has also opened an office in South Africa in partnership with The Innovation Hub.

**PLANNED COURSES**

**Scientific Communication and Publishing 12-16 May 2014**

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