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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **TCC Trains FAO-SWALIM Staff in Scientific Communication**

Training Centre in Communication (TCC) trained Food Agricultural Organisation-Somalia Water and Land Information Management (FAO-SWALIM), staff in Scientific Communication from 28-31 January 2014. FAO is an information management unit within FAO Somalia that serves Somali administrations, non-governmental organisations, development agencies and UN organisations engaged in assisting Somali communities whose lives depend directly on water and land resources.

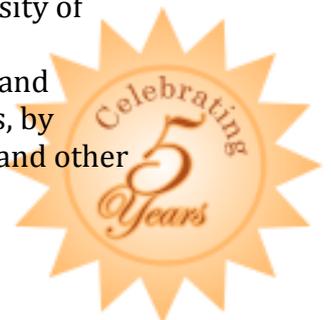
The participants were scientists from a Hydrology, Hydrometeorology, Anthroecology, Soil Science and GIS Systems background and were taught on how to translate technical information and data for lay audiences.

The highly interactive course was facilitated by TCC Centre Manager and Science Communications Specialist Ms Joy Owango and Alex Muriu a Web 2.0 for Development Specialist.

#### **About TCC**

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.

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