CAG 30

THE 30TH COLLOQUIUM OF AFRICAN GEOLOGY





CONCEPT NOTE

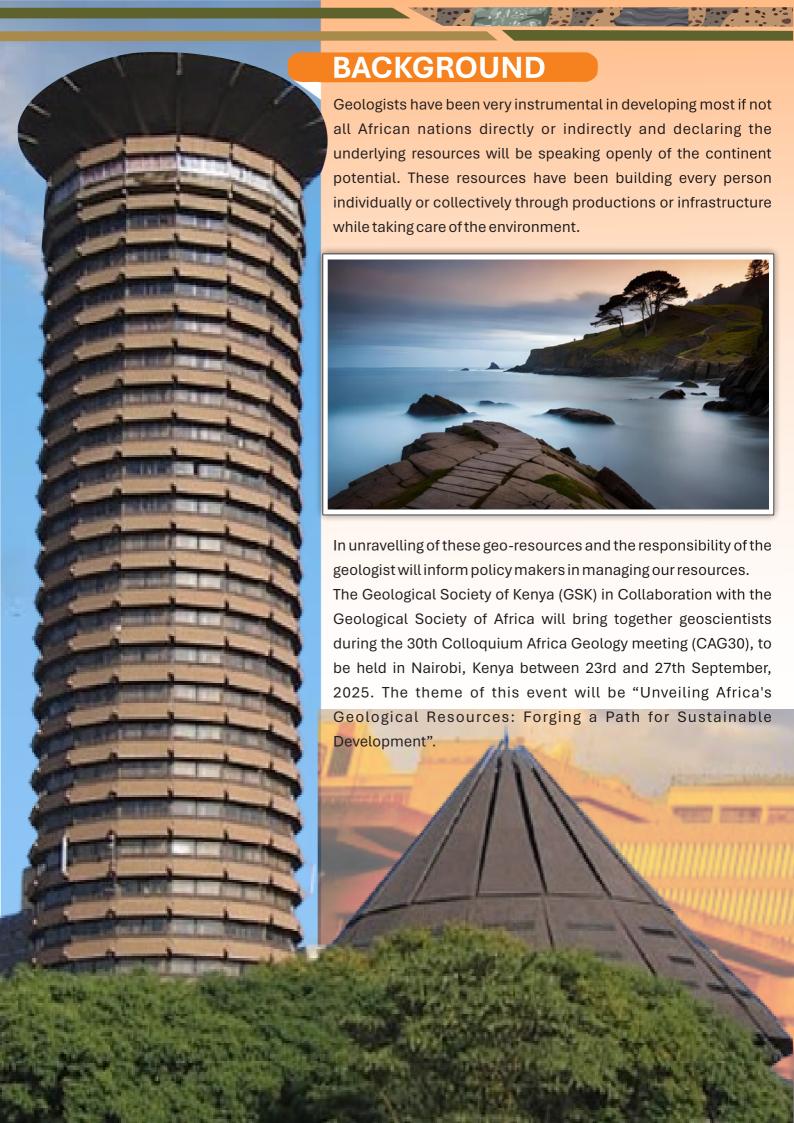




"Unveiling Africa's Geological Resources; Forging a Path for Sustainable Development"





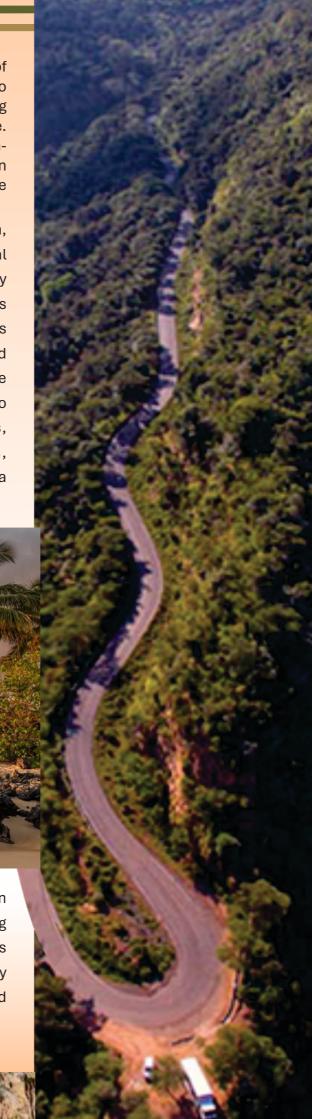


The Geological Society of Kenya (GSK) and the Geological Society of Africa (GSAf) are professional associations that were formed to oversee and cater for the desires of geologists while ensuring professional integrity in geo-scientific undertaking world-wide. The Geological Society of Kenya, non-profit making and a non-political organization is celebrating 50 years since its inception in 1974, while GSAf will be celebrating its 60th anniversary at the height of this forthcoming conference.

Both societies draw their funding from membership subscription, corporate membership and at times grants from institutional friends. CAG30, just like previous meetings will be graced by international speakers, distinguished scholars and researchers and multinational geo-resources exploitation companies. This conference will be presided by pre-conference field trip and ended with similar charming geological places in Kenya. This conference is expected to provide an avenue to different players a platform to showcase their wares and expertise in geoscience skills, instrumentation, equipment and tools. Entrepreneurs, institutional leaders, and as well as researchers will be on a common podium to share experiences from all parts of the world.



Geologists support various sectors through their expertise in Mining, Groundwater development, Geotechnical and Engineering services. Others include Environmental geology & Natural hazards and associated risks, Oil and Gas industry, Nuclear energy development, Geo-tourism, Archeology and Paleontology, and more importantly, Research and academia sector.



TARGET GROUPS



- Government and State Institutions,
- Researchers and Academicians
- Research and training institutions
- Young learners and their instructors,
- Local and International Non-Governmental Organizations,
- Artisanal, Medium and Large scale miners and prospectors
- Civil Societies,
- Advocacy groups
- Media Workers and other concerned individuals
- Financial Institutions
- Investors across all sectors
- Insurance
- Tools, equipment and instrumentation suppliers
- ICT players among others



CONFERENCE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

East to west, north to south, all are trooping into Africa in search of our natural resources to grow their economies. This is a golden moment for the countries who are under-exploiting their resources or do not have the necessary expertise to ensure sustainable development in their nations. This event will offer a link for collaborations and partnerships in all sectors. Minerals are more than the building blocks of rocks; they form foundation of our civilization, playing a key role in different industries from technology to jewelry. However, some minerals are more treasured than others. Valuable minerals like gold, lithium, diamonds and rare earth elements are highly sought for their exceptional properties, including durability, conductivity and rarity. These features make them vital in various fields, driving demand for both practical and aesthetical purposes.



The one-week event will offer delegates an opportunity to:

- 1. Engage with key stakeholders significant to the growth of water, energy, mining, education, built environment and natural resources sectors in Africa and globally.
- 2. Discuss geo-resources opportunities, challenges and mitigations in training and business ventures across the sphere.
- 3. Engage on emerging issues and stakeholder practices in the geological world.
- 4. Conversations on the governing laws in development and management of the underground wealth across the globe.
- 5. Expand business links in Africa and world at large
- 6. Exhibit products, latest equipment and tools, as well as expertise in the geo-resources development circle.
- 7. Share a platform where geologists will exchange knowledge and transfer skills.

EXPECTED OUTLOOK

The outputs expected from the Conference

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- Draw policy makers to understand the importance of geology to Africa and African Countries Economies, and highlight bottlenecks in development of n a t u r a l r e s o u r c e s .
- Design a roadmap on value addition of geo-resources found in Africa terms of trade, investment and opportunities





- 3. Networking among delegates
- 4. Establish a platform for African geoscientists and world at large to engage and draw stakeholders to the African geo-resources table.

