



BRITISH CHAMBER  
OF COMMERCE  
KENYA

# ANNUAL REPORT 2020 - 2021

# MESSAGES

## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRPERSON



I am delighted and honoured to have been allowed to lead the Chamber after benefitting from years of mentorship by

the previous Chair, Graham Shaw, and working with an excellent board. As I mentioned at the beginning of the year, I am optimistic that during my tenure, the Chamber will reach new heights in achieving prosperity for its members and success for the organization.

The year had its share of opportunities and challenges. We are glad to see that businesses in most sectors have adapted to new ways of operating in the first full year of Covid-19 and are bouncing back with the economic pick-up. The surge in economic activity was facilitated by the opening up of markets important to our economy, the lifting of the nationwide curfew and concerted efforts on the vaccination drive. I am pleased to report that the Chamber has maintained its membership at over 300.

I would also like to thank the Foreign Commonwealth & Development Office

at the British High Commission for supporting our advocacy and lobbying efforts. In particular, we saw how our joint efforts helped the case for getting Kenya off the red list in September. We intend to continue lobbying for the interests of our members and encourage all members to continue raising their business issues with the Chamber. Over the past few months, we have assisted on tax matters, counterfeit products and residence permits.

I would also like to thank the Chamber's CEO, Farida Abbas, and her team for their work and immense support throughout the year and the board members who work hard for the Chamber and often behind the scenes.

To all members, I wish you success in the coming year.

**Chairperson, Sonal Sejpai**

## MESSAGE FROM THE CEO



Greetings,

I hope you are keeping well and safe.

Special thanks to all of you for your resilience and strength through another challenging year. The journey through the pandemic has, indeed, been long and difficult for all.

Since Kenya got off the UK's red list and the nationwide curfew lifted, I am delighted to see positive economic progress. Despite Kenya going into an election year, members have reported a positive sense of business continuity. The United Kingdom and Kenya have also been collaborating to stop the

spread of the Covid-19 pandemic.

It included the donation of 817,000 coronavirus vaccine doses to Kenya as part of the UK's plan to distribute 100 million doses across the globe.

I am pleased to inform you that Chamber members also participated in the Kenya Private Sector Alliance (KEPSA) vaccine initiative, rolled out this year. It saw the successful delivery of vaccines to participating individuals and companies. BCKK members consisted approximately 41% of the KEPSA vaccine initiative. On membership, we had a decline of 12%. Despite these challenges, we focused on supporting our members to grow through advocacy, business advice, mentorship and coaching. Given the changing times, we introduced a platform for members to connect and network with each other virtually through multiple hybrid events that we hosted.

The Chamber also announced the names of companies on the BCKK 2021 Integrity Index on 11th November, 2021,

in the presence of Mrs Theo Clarke (MP), the UK Prime Minister's Trade Envoy to Kenya. The Index now features 50 companies committed to working ethically in Kenya and have a track record of embedding integrity in their organisations.

In 2022, the Chamber will continue to support members. We will resume face to face networking events, organise round tables/workshops to discuss and look for business opportunities, and engage with both the UK and Kenyan governments to grow trade and investment in our countries.

I look forward to meeting and talking to as many members in the coming year.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

**CEO, Farida Abbas**



## YEAR IN REVIEW

### KENYA ON THE UK'S RED LIST



Kenya being on the UK's red list deeply affected businesses, especially the tourism sector. The travel restrictions impacted members as the cost of doing business increased; supply chains were disrupted, setting up of new companies was interrupted as new procedures were introduced and recruitment of new positions was postponed.

The restrictions also prevented the face-to-face transfer of knowledge and had an emotional impact on individuals who were forced to stay away from their families. To address this, the Chamber held a

virtual meeting for members with the British High Commissioner, Jane Marriott OBE, on June 21, 2021. The Chamber continued to collect information from members on the business impact of the red list, including the loss of revenue and project implementation.

Through letters and meetings with the British High Commissioner, the Chamber lobbied the Secretary of State - The Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, and The Rt Hon Elizabeth Truss MP Secretary of State for International Trade in the UK.

### UK VACCINATION SUPPORT



In June 2021, as part of a rollout of 100 million coronavirus vaccines for global distribution, the United Kingdom donated 817,000 doses to Kenya. The donation was agreed upon during a meeting at

the Country Retreat of the Prime Minister in Chequers, northwest of London, between UK Prime Minister, Boris Johnson and Kenya's President, Uhuru Kenyatta, in the same month.





## THE CHAMBER MEETS NMS DIRECTOR GENERAL



On 30th July, 2021, the Chamber engaged Nairobi Metropolitan Services (NMS) Director-General, Lt. Gen Mohammed Badi.

The meeting presented members with an opportunity to explore partnerships geared to advance the public good and the growth of the private sector.

The NMS created on 18th March 2020, is part of an institutional framework the Nairobi County Government used to implement a Deed of Transfer Agreement for four of its functions to the National Government.

The functions are Health Services, County Planning and Development Services, County Transport Services and

County Public Works, Utilities and Ancillary Services. Lt. General Badi proposed public-private partnerships between the NMS and Chamber members in affordable housing, markets and road infrastructure. He also suggested aid grants to enhance water and sanitation services.

The NMS wants to establish a Green Fund for developing, rehabilitating, and sustaining green spaces and parks across the City. Besides imploring members to invest in the Fund, the Director-General also sought financial and technical support to rehabilitate the County's green spaces and clean the river ecosystem.

## RESIDENCY AND SPECIAL PASSES FOR MEMBERS



On 26th May 2021, the Ministry of Interior and Coordination of National Government Cabinet Secretary (CS), Dr Fred Matiang'i, launched a 60-days Rapid Results Initiative Programme to expedite the issuance of citizenship documents.

During the launch, Dr Matiang'i advised that 500 qualified investors would also receive lawful permanent residence status to spur economic growth and create jobs.

Through the European Business Council (EBC) and KEPSA, the Chamber also put forward more than 20 issues on permanent residency affecting members to the Office of the Cabinet Secretary and had numerous discussions with the EBC and KEPSA teams. We hope to have the issues resolved soon.

## KRA AND TAX ISSUES



The Chamber engaged the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) team on various tax issues affecting members on 2nd February 2021.

The issues included - VAT refunds, customs, withholding tax deducted from partnership fees, interest income on trust funds, delays in approving credit of the VAT, iTax ledger, continuous ad hoc value uplifts imposed on various imports, waiver of penalties and interest,

delays in the processing of Certificates of Exports, VAT auto assessment, incorrect interest charges in iTax, and the length of KRA audits for our members.

The KRA team addressed many of the challenges during the meeting. In 2022, the Chamber will continue to engage the KRA on arising and long-standing issues impacting member operations.

## COUNTERFEIT PRODUCTS AND THE ANTI-COUNTERFEIT AUTHORITY (ACA)



On 24th August 2021, the Chamber CEO met virtually with, the Anti-Counterfeit Authority (ACA), Ag. Executive Director, Ms Fridah Kaberia, to discuss counterfeit issues facing British

companies. The meeting was part of the advocacy efforts of the Chamber to curb counterfeit products in Kenya.

## UK – KENYA ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT (EPA)



In December 2020, the UK-Kenya Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) was signed in London by UK International Trade Minister, Ranil Jayawardena and Kenya Cabinet Secretary for Trade, Betty Maina. The EPA will ensure companies operating in Kenya continue to benefit from duty-free access to the UK market.

On 12th April 2021, the Chamber with Anjarwalla and Khanna (A&K) hosted a member virtual event to explain the UK-Kenya Economic Partnership Agreement and discuss its impact on the Kenyan market and East African Region.

Kenya has taken the lead in this process, considering its strategic trade and economic position in the EAC region. This new framework incorporates the terms of the economic

partnership pact negotiated between the Partner States of the East African Community (EAC) and the European Union. Once fully implemented, the EPA will deliver significant benefits to Kenya and its EAC partners and deepen the EAC integration.

With a line-up of speakers from both Kenyan and UK Governments, BCK, and Anjarwalla & Khanna LLP (A&K), the webinar provided a platform to discuss and share valuable insights on the new framework.

It covered a host of topics such as barriers to the free flow of trade between the UK and the East African Community (EAC), constraints to foreign direct investment, intellectual property, e-commerce and government procurement.



## CHAMBER PARTNERSHIPS

### SCOTTISH AFRICA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION (SABA)

Finance for Kenya's agricultural sector has been challenging since many banks consider the sector risky. Recently, we have seen private equity investment in the sector. The UK Department for International Trade (DIT) has also invested heavily in the agricultural space.

On 17th June 2021, BCCK and SABA held a webinar on agriculture finance for members in the agriculture and aquaculture sectors. The keynote speakers were Dr Bimal Kantaria (Elgon Kenya), Eng John Tanui (Konza Technopolis), Mr Frazer Lang (SABA), Ms Lisa Williams (Agri-Epi Centre) and Mr

Kaguongo Wachira (National Potato Council of Kenya). During the meeting, the Scottish Rural College, an active member of SABA, stated that Kenya is high on its collaboration list on education and training around agriculture and aquaculture.

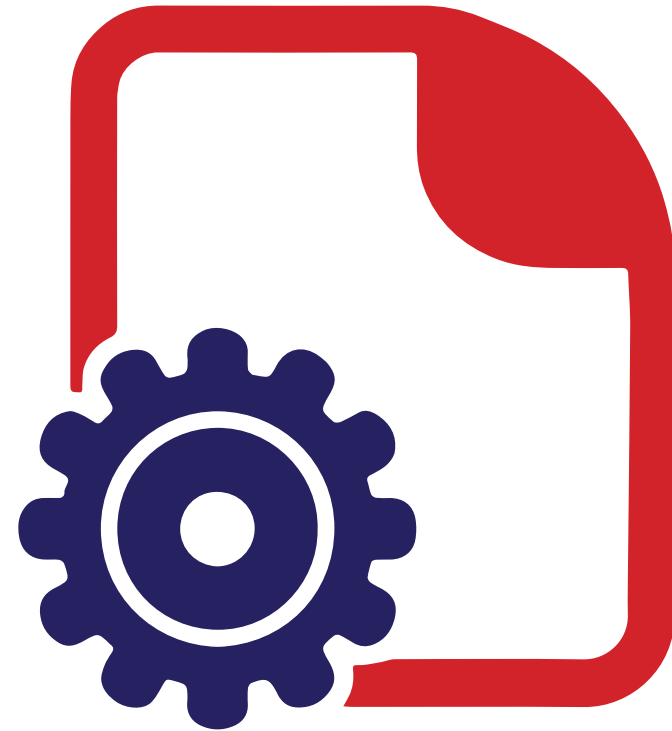
During COP26, SABA coordinated a roundtable for President Uhuru Kenyatta with several SABA members. The UK Secretary of State for Trade was also present at the meeting, hosted by Diageo at Jonnie Walker Princes Street. The Chamber will continue to hold joint business events with SABA.

### CDC GROUP

On 8th July 2021, the Chamber and the CDC Group held an interactive roundtable meeting to discuss business opportunities, support, and financial investment. At COP26, CDC Group announced a commitment of over £3.0 billion, over the next five years to combat the climate emergency. One of the first investments they are making is a \$10 million follow-up investment in an off-grid Kenyan based company (the leading provider of pay-as-you-go solar home systems). The Chamber looks forward to establishing meaningful partnerships with CDC Group to further engage in discussions around business opportunities, financial investment, and business support for members.







## PROGRAMMES

### PUBLIC PRIVATE DIALOGUE (PPD)

On 23rd March 2021, the Chamber hosted the Public-Private Dialogue Forum to promote improvements into local market conditions through dialogue between Kenya and the UK Governments, based on insights from businesses across three main areas:

1. Greater transparency in public procurement,
2. The provision of Kenya Bribery Act guidelines to ease implementation for businesses, and
3. Identifying ways and means to incentivise businesses operating with integrity.

The Chief Guest of the Forum was the UK Trade Envoy to Kenya, Mrs Theo Clarke, MP. PPD was part of the Business Integrity Initiative pilot programme (BII) – which is run by BCKK, in partnership with the UK Department for International Trade (DIT) and the UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) in Kenya.

The programme provides practical guidance on navigating integrity challenges and supports peer-to-peer private sector engagement.



## BCK 2021 INTEGRITY INDEX LAUNCH



On 11th November 2021, the Chamber released its 2021 Integrity Index. The Index now features 50 companies committed to working ethically in Kenya from a range of sectors, mirroring Kenya's diversified economy.

A listing on the Index is external recognition of their efforts to run a trusted and ethical business. BCK aims to prove that ethical business pays. The Chamber will be signposting these businesses to any UK organisations looking to partner with Kenyan companies. The Chamber will also support these businesses in embedding integrity best practices in their operations. The UK Government remains a partner for Kenya in anti-corruption reforms started in 2015 and has extended

extensive support to the public and private sectors, civil society, and law enforcement.

The Chamber is using the Business Integrity Index to support members and other businesses that have chosen to operate with integrity and have developed strategies supporting that choice.

The launch was attended by the UK's Prime Minister's Trade Envoy to Kenya, Mrs Theo Clarke, MP, and British High Commissioner, Jane Marriott, OBE. Visit <https://businessintegrity.bckkenya.org/> for more information on the 2021 Integrity Index.

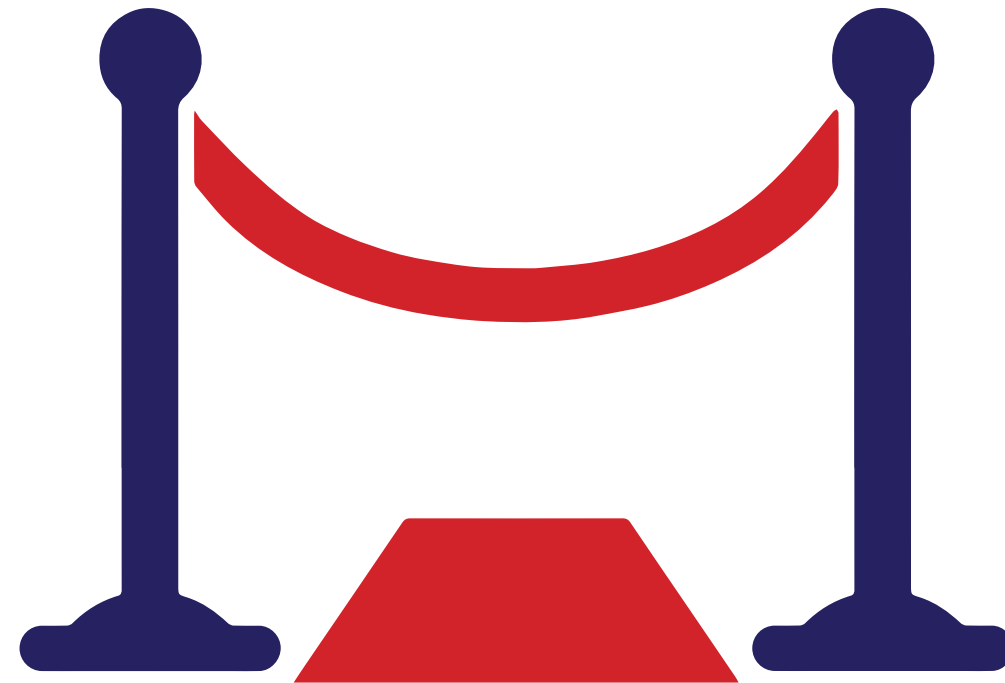


## BCK PARTICIPATES IN THE KEPSA VACCINE INITIATIVE

The Chamber participated in KEPSA's vaccine roll-out for the private sector. BCK members consisted of approximately 41% of KEPSA members that participated in the KEPSA vaccine initiative. The initiative saw the successful delivery of vaccines to individuals and companies across the participating counties in the country.

For more information on the KEPSA vaccine initiative and a full report, visit <https://kepsa.or.ke/kenyas-private-sector-led-covid-19-vaccination-begin-in-support-of-government-efforts-to-reach-herd-immunity/>





## BCCK EVENTS

### BCCK ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



The Chamber held its annual general meeting on 19th February 2021, at Sankara Nairobi. 48 members attended the meeting both physically and virtually. BCCK CEO, Farida Abbas gave a detailed report highlighting the growth of the Chamber, over the years.

There was a change of guard as Ms Sonal Sejpal took over as Chairperson from Mr Graham Shaw, MBE.

### JAMES BOND MOVIE - ADVANCE SCREENING

On 30th September 2021, the British Chamber successfully held the advance screening of James Bond's long-awaited 25th Movie, "No Time To Die." at the Westgate Mall. The evening began with a cocktail reception where members had an opportunity to network.

Special thanks to our sponsors for making the event possible and fun for our members. Our gratitude goes to our Guest Speaker, Mr Julius Court, Deputy British High Commissioner & Development Director, British High Commission. In attendance were: Permanent Secretary in State Department of Petroleum, Andrew Kamau; Permanent Secretary in the State Department of East Africa Community (EAC), Kevit Desai; Deputy High Commissioner, British High Commission, Ms Josephine Gauld; Chair ICDC, Mr John Ngumi; CEO KEPSA, Ms Carole Kariuki; Chairperson KEPSA, Mrs Florah Mutahi; Chair BCCK, Ms Sonal Sejpal and BCCK board members.







## BCKC COAST CHAPTER MEETING WITH THE CEO

Kenya's coastal region was greatly affected by the pandemic. Kenya is the third-largest travel and tourism destination in Africa, and tourism is the economic backbone of the coast. Consequently, Mombasa County has witnessed an alarming increase in youth unemployment and economic vulnerability since the onset of Covid-19.

On 29th October 2021, BCKC CEO, Ms Farida Abbas, held

a roundtable meeting with coast members in Mombasa. Members requested support on lobbying, business opportunities and connections. On 17th December 2021, the Chamber will hold a year-end event at the coast with the Department for International Trade and the Deputy County Governor for Mombasa. A members networking reception will take place after the meeting.





## OTHER EVENTS HELD THIS YEAR: PHYSICAL AND VIRTUAL

1. **19th February 2021:** BBAK AGM
2. **25th February 2021:** BCCK CEOs Luncheon
3. **23rd March 2021:** Public Private Dialogue on Business Integrity
4. **12th April 2021:** UK-Kenya Economic Partnership Agreement: Impact on the EA Region
5. **11th May 2021:** EY Webinar on - Results of the 2021 EY CEO Imperative Study
6. **18th May 2021:** BCCK new members introduction / orientation meeting
7. **21st May 2021:** BCCK Almasi members RT Meeting with DHCs
8. **24th May 2021:** Manufacturing Africa - Green Manufacturing Webinar
9. **26th May 2021:** RSM-Webinar on the Implications of Common Reporting Standards in Kenya
10. **3rd June 2021:** BCCK/RSM/EBC What does the finance bill mean
11. **11th June 2021:** PwC/KEPSA/BCCK joint webinar on Kenya's 2021/22 National Budget
12. **17th June 2021:** BCCK/SABA webinar on Agri-Business
13. **21st June 2021:** BCCK meeting with H.E The British High Commissioner Jane Marriott OBE
14. **6th July 2021:** Data Protection and Privacy laws Webinar with Amit Gadhia
15. **8th July 2021:** BCCK - CDC Group Round table Meeting
16. **29th July 2021:** EBC Webinar on Lamu Port
17. **30th July 2021:** BCCK in conversation with NMS Director General, Lt Gen. Mohammed Badi
18. **6th August 2021:** BCCK / BHC / Insight Security Briefing
19. **10th August 2021:** A Conversation with Michael Holding
20. **7th September 2021:** BCCK new members introduction / orientation meeting
21. **10th September 2021:** European Business Council - WS Insight Election Preparedness Briefing
22. **15th September 2021:** Career Connections Webinar on The Innovation Imperative
23. **28th September 2021:** Ending Workplace TB Webinar on workplace health
24. **30th September 2021:** No time to Die- James Bond Movie - Advance Screening
25. **5th October 2021:** PwC Kenya Webinar - Navigating through Tax Matters in the Manufacturing Sector
26. **6th October 2021:** Webinar on Public Procurement: Opportunities & Challenges for the Construction & Engineering sector
27. **29th October 2021:** British Chamber Coast Chapter members meeting
28. **4th November 2021:** Webinar on how to use Insurance to mitigate risks during an election year
29. **11th November 2021:** BCCK 2021 Integrity Index Launch
30. **11th November 2021:** Webinar on Incoterms 2020 – The Changes
31. **16th November 2021:** Webinar on International Arbitration: What businesses need to be aware of with JMiles & Co
32. **30th November 2021:** BCCK Round table meeting with SUED on Value chain opportunities
33. **30th November 2021:** Webinar on UK Inheritance tax and changes to UK Residential Property Ownership for non-residents with Lifecare International



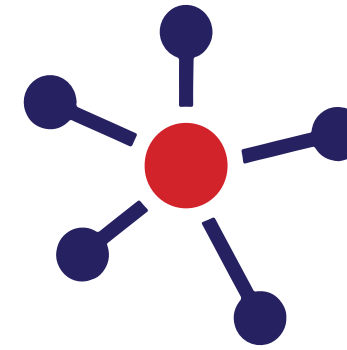




## BCCK FUTURE OUTLOOK

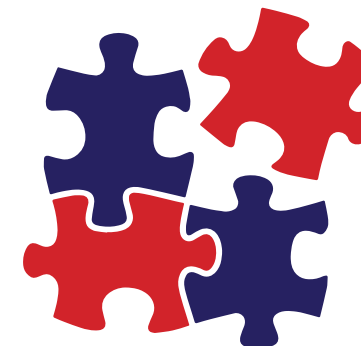
The Chamber ran an extensive survey for members and the findings from the survey touched on:

- Networking and Connections
- Advocacy and Lobbying
- Capacity building/ Training & Workshops
- Brand Awareness, Governance Standards, policies & procedures



On membership value adds - Members find networking events useful in building contacts and creating brand awareness. The Chamber will host more networking events whilst adhering to the Ministry of Health restrictions. One priority event in 2022 will be **“The Doing Business in Kenya thought leadership investment seminar with the London, Birmingham & Manchester Chambers of Commerce”**.

Some of the most challenging areas for members in doing business in Kenya are business transparency, delayed payments from organisations affecting cash flow, and access to business opportunities. The Chamber will advocate and lobby through Kenyan and UK government platforms and offer business support on areas of interest to members.



Members requested support in growing company brand awareness, governance, standard policies and procedures, marketing & sales, and leadership skills and coaching. The Chamber will host capacity-building workshops to assist members in these areas.



## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

### SOARING IN THE TURBULENCE OF COVID-19

#### GRIOT CONSULTING KENYA LTD

It has been a tough year for businesses in Kenya. Global restrictions in trade and travel, borne of the Covid-19 pandemic, have brought significant challenges for business leaders in all sectors. But one Kenyan start-up has bucked that trend and seen rapid growth in its first year of trading.

Griot Consulting Kenya Ltd, an environmental and social impact investment company, started work here in the Autumn of 2020. They initially had a portfolio of 60 water boreholes to repair in Kilifi County, part of a body of work for UK based Co2 Balance. The team began restoring the stalled water-points at the beginning of December last year, completing the work in-time for a good break for Christmas!

In January, Griot repeated the task, repairing another 60 boreholes at the coast. The company then shifted its attention to Western Kenya, bringing clean water to communities residing in Kisumu and Vihiga counties, restoring over 150 boreholes in the West. "It has been an amazing year!" said Eric Kimori, East Africa Director for Griot Consulting. "We started with nothing but a contract and our project management ability. We had a lean team and limited technical expertise. "But we recruited well and have developed a dedicated team of young Kenyans, hungry to improve the lives of people in their communities."

Griot is riding a wave of carbon sequestration. By providing clean drinking water, communities do not need to boil un-safe



water before drinking it. Removing the need to boil water means fewer trees chopped for firewood. Leaving trees to grow equates to reducing carbon dioxide emissions, which creates a carbon credit. The carbon credits are then sold on the market, generating more funds for social impact investment. "It's an elegant way to create social impact," says Griot Global Director, Hywel George. "Countries in the Global North, who

are largely responsible for climate change, are providing funds that mitigate some of the worst problems affecting countries in the Global South, where the ravages of climate change are being hardest felt. “While the world’s economies strive to be sustainable in the future, carbon economics provides an opportunity to bring beneficial change NOW.” In the first year of trading, Griot has repaired 420 boreholes bringing clean water to over 250,000 individuals.

But its work has not been restricted to water points. It has also planted over 200,000 mangroves trees with community groups around the Mtwapa Creek and anticipates doing much more work around ‘Blue Carbon’ – creating Carbon sequestration projects in the Ocean.

And away from carbon-based work, the company provides educational opportunities for Maasai girls who have chosen an alternative to be genitally cut and married young. Griot Consulting may be new on the scene, but it is determined to make a big difference in Kenya and is keen to work with like-minded partners in bringing projects to fruition.

**To find out how the company can help with your project plans contact:**

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## COP26 - 26<sup>TH</sup> UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE

The UK hosted the 26th United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP26) from 31st October – 13th November 2021, at the Scottish Event Campus (SEC)

Centre in Glasgow, Scotland, United Kingdom. As the President of COP26, the UK's role has been to act as an impartial chair in bringing all parties

# UNITING THE WORLD TO TACKLE CLIMATE CHANGE.



(individual countries and the EU, which operates as a group) to reach a consensus. According to the COP26 Negotiations Report, the UK worked with every nation to reach a climate change agreement.

World leaders arrived in Scotland, alongside tens of thousands of negotiators, government representatives, businesses, and civil society groups for the fourteen days

### COP26 SATELLITE EVENTS

The UK has stepped up climate action in Kenya with new partnerships announced at the COP26 global climate change talks in Glasgow, Scotland. According to an 11th November 2021, report by [Capital FM](#), the partnerships cover electric vehicles, forest conservation, to drought mitigation funds, among others. Speaking at a COP26 satellite event in Nairobi on 11th November 2021, British High Commissioner to Kenya, Jane Marriott OBE, said the partnerships demonstrate the UK's commitment towards

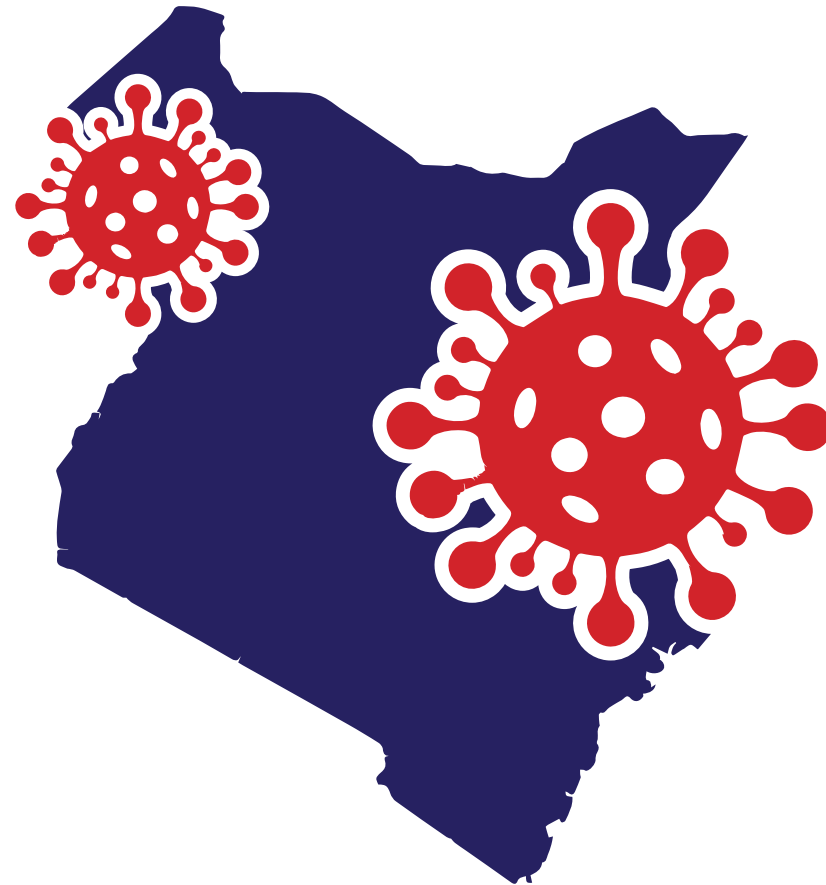
### BRITISH CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE IN THE UK (BCC IN THE UK) AND COP26

As COP26 concluded, the [British Chambers of Commerce in the UK](#) highlighted the importance of businesses in hitting net-zero targets and the need for the UK Government to build on current plans and set out the practical steps towards a greener future. In the run-up to

of talks. On November 2, at the convening of COP26 in Glasgow, Prime Minister Boris Johnson announced that 90 per cent of the world economy is working towards net-zero, up from less than a third when the UK took up the COP reins. When the UK was selected as the host of COP26, just one per cent of the world economy had met the post-Paris obligation to improve their 2030 emissions targets. Today that figure stands at 80 per cent.

working with Kenya to mitigate the effects of climate change. At the same event, Kenyan e-boda maker, Opibus, announced it had raised Ksh.750 million from private investors with support from the UK's Manufacturing Africa programme. The CS for Industrialization, Trade and Enterprise Development, Betty Maina, graced the exhibition of electric bikes at the British High Commissioner's residence in Kenya.

COP26, the Chamber, with the BCC in the UK, highlighted **Davis & Shirliff, Climate Care and Tropical Power** as BCCK members doing a remarkable job to conserve the environment.



## OVERVIEW OF COVID-19 IN KENYA

Covid-19 hit us all by surprise. Business outlook continuously declined as the uncertainty increased and the effects of the pandemic extended into 2021, leaving many businesses in despair. Encouragingly, we are now seeing the resilience of many to push on despite the difficulties presented by the pandemic. On 20th October 2021, it was a huge relief when President Uhuru Kenyatta announced the vacation of the nationwide curfew that had been in effect since 20th March 2020.

President Uhuru Kenyatta also unveiled a Ksh.25 billion economic stimulus package to jump-start the economy and create jobs and the third phase of Kazi Mtaani. Kazi Mtaani is a Ksh.10 billion plan that will offer 200,000 youth menial jobs in an economic setting where people below the age of 25, mainly secondary school and college graduates, have been the hardest hit by job cuts.

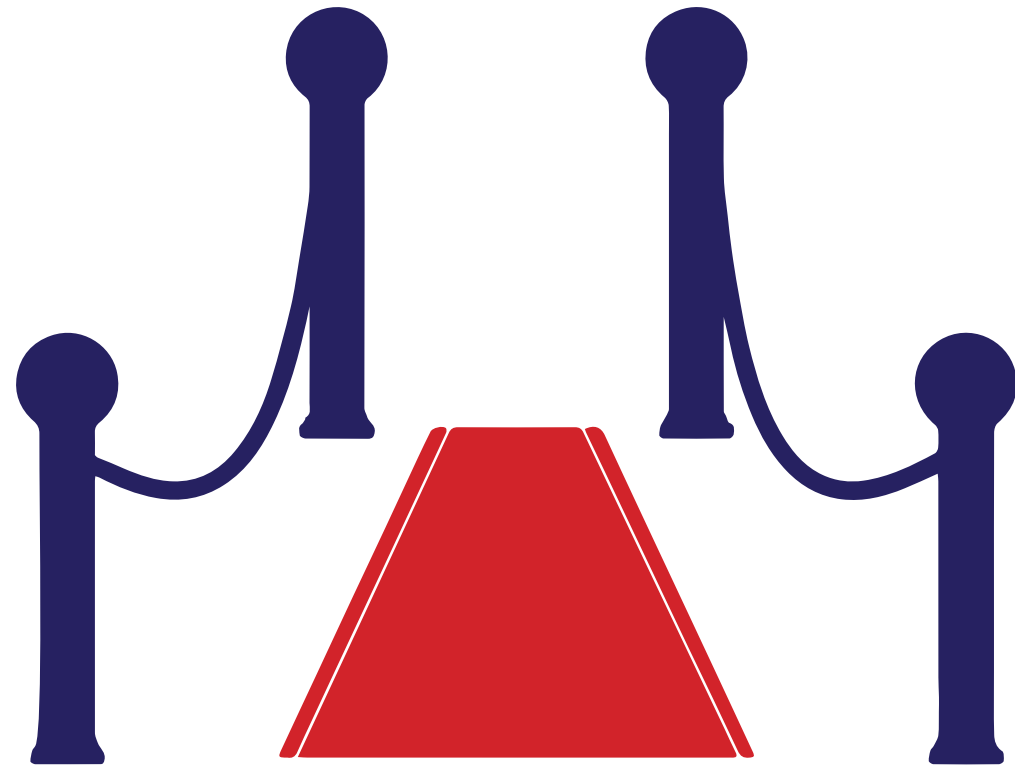
Land prices in Nairobi's satellite towns increased at the fastest pace in more than two years on-demand from developers, amid recovery from Covid-19 economic hardships. Data from real estate research firm, HassConsult, shows that prices of land in Kiambu, Syokimau, and Kiserian jumped by an average of 2.48 per cent in the three months to September 2021, up from a growth of 1.12 per cent in June 2021 and a contraction of 0.06 per cent in a similar quarter last year.

According to the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics, real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) grew by 10.1 per cent in the second quarter of 2021 compared to a contraction of 4.7 per cent in the same quarter of 2020. The performance was supported by rebounds in most economic activities from significant contractions in the second quarter of 2020.

This year, the Kenya Private Sector Alliance (KEPSA) successfully launched phase one and two of the vaccine roll-out for the private sector with the Johnson and Johnson vaccine. To increase the number of vaccinated residents, KEPSA has been rallying the private sector and foundations, and the Government, through the Ministry of Health. Our sincere gratitude to all BCK members who contributed generously towards this initiative.

*Even as we move into the new year, the biggest question is how can businesses effectively recover?*

According to a study on Agricultural Policy in Kenya by Patrick Alila and Rosemary Atieno, the public and private sectors need to institute short and long-term strategies focused on protecting livelihoods and growing businesses to ensure food and basic income security.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### 01

#### JANUARY 2022

1. New members orientation meeting
2. BCCK main Event – Kenya's Security Cabinet Secretary and British High Commission
3. BCCK/IKM event on Immigration
4. BCCK and other Chambers in Kenya and Business Associations
5. BCCK/SABA event on Renewable Energy
6. Anti-Counterfeit Authority
7. Doing Business in Kenya thought leadership investment seminar with the London, Birmingham & Manchester Chambers of Commerce

### 02

#### FEBRUARY 2022

1. BCCK CEO's Luncheon
2. BCCK/Blue Ink Event on Doing Business in Kenya
3. EBC and ALN Event

### 03

#### MARCH 2022

1. New members orientation meeting
2. BCCK and other Chambers in Kenya and Business Associations
3. BCCK/SABA Event on Maritime



## BCCK BOARD MEMBERS



**Ms. Sonal Sejpal**  
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## BCCK MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

To join the chamber, the organisation can be a British Company or have British Directors or Shareholders or is doing business in UK/ partnering with UK partners. Our membership categories and benefits are as follows:

- Sterling Membership
- Almasi Membership

- Corporate Membership
- Consultant Membership
- Graduate Membership

### Membership Benefits

- Networking
- Information

- Advocacy
- Marketing
- Members Discounts and Offers
- Trade Services



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