Annex 3 Application form local coordinator

Call Institutional University Cooperation (IUC) 2022

1. Personal

Programme data	
Name of the university, country	
The Technical University of Kenya (TU-K), Kenya	
Proposed local coordinator	
Faculty, department, unit	Faculty of Engineering Sciences & Technology, School of Architecture and Built Environment, Department of Spatial Planning & Design
Academic title and position (within the institution)	Senior Lecturer and Chair of Department
Contact details (address, e-mail and phone number)	Dr. Lawrence Esho P.O. Box 52428 – 00200, Nairobi- Kenya. lawresho@gmail.com +254 721 607 809
Date of birth	20th December 1970

2. Interest and prior experience

Link with the partner university (and with institutional authorities (rector office, university boards, management) concerned
1. The LC has since 2012, served as a Senior Lecturer at the TU-K 2. The LC forms part of the broader management team at the TU-K, having served as chair of the Department of Spatial Planning and Design for the last 7 years. In this capacity, he is answerable to the appointing authority, the Vice Chancellor 3. The LC is a member of the management board at the School of Architecture and Built Environment (SABE). 4. Local coordinator forms part of TU-K Quality Assurance team responsible for the granting of ISO certification to the University by the local statutory certification body.

Knowledge of and experience with university institutional policy and/or strategic planning and management
1. The LC has contributed to various policy positions of TU-K and the formulation of the current strategic plan. 2. The LC has served as a member of various special purpose committees/taskforces of TU-K including the College Finance Advisory Committee, the University Prospectus Committee, amongst others 3. The LC was part of the team that formulated TU-Ks Quality Manual and is responsible for overseeing its implementation 4. The LC is part of the quality assurance team and is instrumental in delivering the TU-Ks ISO certification

Experience with project management (people's management, project methodologies, financial management, etc.):
1. The LC has numerous project experience both in the field of academia, public service management and professional practice. 2. As mentioned above, the LC has served as chair of the TU-K-DSPD for more than 7years now, a position the tasks him with the management of academic programmes, management of operational workflows, staff affairs.

3. The LC has initiated, formulated and overseen the management of various community and global engagement projects, including joint projects with County Governments (Kilifi County Government), International partners (Environmental Science Research Institute), etc.
4. The LC is a practitioner in the planning field and has in this capacity taken commissions and served as project lead in various high-level consultancy projects. Chief amongst this is preparation of the *Masterplan for the Konza Technology City – dubbed Africa's Silicon Savana.* The LC served as project lead, planning.
5. The LC has been involved in the management of projects delivered by consortia that included the KU Leuven. These include the preparation of *Spatial Planning Concept for the Nairobi Metropolitan Region (2006)*, in which a consortium involving the KU Leuven, the University of Nairobi and Columbia University submitted an award-winning entry. The LC was also involved in another consortium involving the KU Leuven, UON and UN-Habitat, leading to the preparation of the *Nakuru Strategic Structure Plan (2000)*

Knowledge of and experience with (university) development cooperation and / or international cooperation in the fields of higher education and/or research

1. The LC is the contact-person in the long running TU-K - KULeuven collaboration initiative and have overseen all mutual-benefit engagements on behalf of the TU-K
2. The TU-K, in partnership with the KU Leuven, submitted a proposal to the VLIR-UOS South Initiatives (SI). Although the bid was unsuccessful, the exercise served to familiarize the LC with the landscape of Development Cooperation, both the Belgium Framework as it relates to the Kenyan policy framework.
3. The LC has extensively collaborated with other European Universities including the University of Amsterdam, TU-Delft, amongst others, in an initiative coordinated by the International New Towns Institute (INTI). The Initiative incorporated a student exchange component, local supervision of field research, joint studios
4. The LC is involved in an ongoing International Geo-design Collaboration involving 90 global institutions and coordinated by the Environmental Science Research Institute (ESRI)
5. The LC is involved in an ongoing initiative towards the harmonization of professional planning curricula in Africa, an initiative coordinated by the Association of African Planning Schools

Experience in collaborating in international cooperation schemes with English as working language

All of listed collaboration initiatives used English as the working language.

1. The LC is KU Leuven Alumnus, Department of Architecture, Urban and Regional Planning (ASRO) - MaHS (2002-2003), PhD (2004-2008).
2. The LC has previously been involved in research project guidance for KU Leuven - ASRO undergraduate students, and PhD students whenever their fieldwork brings them to Kenya.
3. The LC continues to be involved in academic jury duty for the MaHS final year studio examinations.
4. The LC is a collaborator in the International Module for Spatial Development Planning (IMSDP – VLIR ITP) – KUL has admitted 5 TU-K-DSPD staff members to the programme as part of an ongoing capacity building through staff development initiative between the Department of Architecture (ASRO) and the Department of Spatial Planning and Design.
5. Vlir ICP (MaHS) – A significant portion (5) of the TU-K-DSPD faculty members are MaHS alumni or are ongoing Vlir scholars.
6. Global Minds – One TU-K-DSPD faculty member is in October 2019 schedule to commence PhD studies under the Global Minds programme
7. Joint Studio 2019 – the TU-K is organizing a joint studio with the KUL and University of Witwatersrand (SA) scheduled to take place in Nairobi in the Spring of 2019

Other relevant experience

The LC is actively engaged in fora that shape public policy discourses in Kenya and influence formulation.

1. He is currently Chair of the umbrella body for planners in Kenya, the Kenya Institute of Planners, a Council member of the Association of Professional Societies in East Africa http://kip.or.ke/the-governing-council-2018-2020/
2. He is a member of the Kenya Private Sector Alliance, a lobby group with very high access to Kenya's leadership structures

The LC is a member of various global fora that impact upon discourses and practices in the field of planning

1. He is Vice President of the Commonwealth Association of Planners https://www.commonwealth-planners.org/cap-members
2. He is Vice President of the Africa Architecture Educational Network https://www.aamatters.nl/african-architecture-education
3. He is a Steering Committee member of the Association of African Planning Schools (AAPS) and Kenya Chapter coordinator https://www.africanplanningschools.org.za/about-us/steering-committee

3. Views on cooperation and role of a coordinator

View on the IUC cooperation and the role of a (local) coordinator (incl. positioning of the local coordination within the institution, link with the proposed academic teams)
1. The IUC cooperation is a noble initiative as it promotes engagement between Universities in the North and those in the South. This is especially important for knowledge exchange. The staff development component is particularly useful as it enables capacity building for Universities in the South – most of which are comparatively young. 2. The coordination structure for the cooperation, which involves appointees from both north and south is adequate for purposes of meeting programme objectives. The position of LC within the local institution gives sufficient access to the University's top management, which in turn serves to easing programme roll-out and smooth operations. The structure of the local steering arrangement and decision structure, which delegates the LC's role to the steering committee and project manager ensures the teamwork necessary to ease operations, better inform decision-making and ensure collective oversight.

Availability (taking into consideration the long term nature of IUC cooperation, a potential phase 1 would be in case of upstart in 2022 until 2026)
The LC is a full-time member of the local institution, employed on permanent and pensionable terms and hence available for the IUC. Departure from the institution is not foreseen during the term of the IUC. Neither is it anticipated that the status of the LC within the institution will change to the extent of negatively affecting the cooperation

Signature *Signature of the candidate local IUC coordinator*

4. Annexes to be added

As part of the IUC Concept Note South submission forms	
Attached to this document	CV in English, max. 2 pages

ANNEX 3.1 - LAWRENCE ESHO - SUMMARY CV AND PORTFOLIO

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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BIOGRAPHY

Dr. Ir. Lawrence Esho has a **PhD in Engineering** from Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (KUL, 2009). He has a **Masters in Human Settlement**s (KUL, 2003) a **Masters in Planning** (University of Nairobi, Kenya, 1997) and a **Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and Economic History** (Kenyatta University, Kenya, 1995).

Dr. Esho has a long career straddling **23 years** as a built environment professional. Much of his earlier years were spent in the public service as a Physical Planner with the government of Kenya. During this time, he advised central government departments and the then local authorities on a wide variety of matters pertaining to **spatial/land use planning and development**. He also oversaw the preparation of physical development plans for numerous cities and urban centres, and regions.

Upon leaving the ministry, Dr. Esho embarked on a career as an academic, and has worked at the Catholic University of Leuven, the Moi University, the University of Eldoret and the Technical University of Kenya, where he currently serves as **Senior Lecturer and Chair of the Department** of Spatial Planning and Urban Design. His research interests are in the area of **urbanization and informality**, where he has critically explored the link between informality, urban space and urban planning. His PhD research was on *"The Role of Informality in Reconstituting Urban Spaces".* He is also contributing author to the book *"Urban Trialogues - Visions, Actions and Co-productions"*, as well as *"Situated Practices of Strategic Planning: An international perspective",* amongst other publications. Dr. Esho has also **coordinated and supervised numerous researches** at PhD, Masters and Undergraduate levels.

Dr. Esho combines his academic activities with professional pursuits, building a career as a professional practising planner. He is a **Registered Physical Planner**, Corporate member and **Chair of the Kenya Institute of Planners**. He has served as partner and principal consultant in a number of Kenya's leading planning firms. Key projects include the masterplan for *Konza Technology City,* for which he was the project planner. He has also been involved in the **Kenya Municipal Programme, Kenya Informal Settlements Project**, where he prepared plans for Siaya and Lamu Town. Privately, he has taken commissions with a number of **Counties**, including *Lamu, Kilifi, Uasin Gishu, Narok, Siaya* and *Nakuru*, amongst others. He has also undertaken project evaluations for **UN-Habitat** programmes and consulted for the **UNDP**. He works closely with the **Council of Governors**, and was part of a team that prepared *Harmonized Spatial Planning Guidelines for Kenya*. He has also worked as a **member of the Taskforce on Extension and/or Renewal of Leases.** Dr Esho is also currently the **National Vice-chair of the Environment and Land Court – Court Users Committee.**

Dr Esho is also active in developing the planning profession in Kenya and Africa as a whole. He is the current *President of the Kenya institute of Planners*. He is a steering committee member of the *Association of African Planning Schools*, and Chair of the Kenya Chapter. He also serves as vice president for the *Network of Architectural Schools in Africa*, and is a fellow with the *ArchiAfrika Foundation*. He is vice president of the Commonwealth Association of Planners.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

2004-2008 : PhD in **Engineering** (Architecture & Planning) *Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium*
2002-2003 : M.Sc. **Architecture** (Human Settlements) *Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium*
1995-1997 : M.A in **Planning** (Urban and Regional) *University of Nairobi (UON), Nairobi, Kenya*
1990-1995 : B.A. Hons (Sociology & History) *Kenyatta University (KU), Nairobi, Kenya*

WORK & EXPERIENCE

Public Service

2003-2009 : **Chief Physical Planner** *Department of Physical Planning,* Ministry of Lands
2000-2002 : **Senior Physical Planning Officer** *Department of Physical Planning*
1997-1999 : **Physical Planning Officer I** *Department of Physical Planning,* Ministry of Lands
1995-1996 : **Physical Planning Officer II** *Department of Physical Planning,* Ministry of Lands

Private Practice

2013- Present : **Principal Consultant**, *The Planning Studio Ltd, Nairobi, Kenya*
2009 –Present : **Managing Trustee**, *Plan Afrique Foundation, Nairobi, Kenya*
2009 -2012 : **Partner/Senior Consultant**, *Centre for Urban and Regional Planning (CURP), Nairobi*
2000-2002 : **Consultant**, *Urbanscope Consortium, Nairobi, Kenya*
1997-2002 : **Principal/Senior Consultant**, *Research and Planning Consultants (RESPLAN), Nairobi*

Academia

2012-Present : **Senior Lecturer and Chair**, *Department of Spatial Planning and Design, School of Architecture and Built Environment (SABE) Technical University of Kenya*
2009-2012 : **Lecturer**, *Department of Environmental Planning and Management (EMPM) School of Environmental Studies (SES), Moi University/University of Eldoret*
2003-2009 : **Research /Teaching Assistant**, *Department of architecture, Urbanism and Planning (ASRO) KU Leuven, Belgium*
2003-Present : **Research Supervisor** - *PhD, Masters and Undergraduate Students*

Other Professional Appointments

2018 – Present : **Environment and Land Court – Court Users Committee** – National Vice Chair,
2017 : **Taskforce on Extension and/or Renewal of Leases** – Member,
2016 – Present : **Kenya Institute of Planners (KIP)** – President,
2016 – Present : **Commonwealth Association of Planners** – Regional Vice President,
2018 – Present : **African Planning Association** – Steering Committee member,
2016 – Present : **Association of Professional Societies in East Africa (APSEA)**, member of Governing Council,

2016 – Present : **Association of African Planning Schools** – Steering Committee Member,
2012 – Present : **Network of African Schools of Architecture and Planning in Africa** Regional Vice-president.

SKILLS & COMPETENCES

Managerial

2016-Present : **Chair**, The Kenya Institute of Planners,
2013-Present : **Managing Partner** and **Principal Consultant**, The Planning Studio Ltd (TPS), Nairobi,
2012-Present : **Chair**, Department of Spatial Planning and Design, Technical University of Kenya,
2009 – 2012 : **Managing Partner** Centre for Urban and Regional Planning (CURP), Nairobi,
1999-2009 : **District/Provincial Physical Planning Officer**, Ministry of Lands, Baringo County

Technical

1997-Present **: Physical Planner** – Preparation of all types of Plans, proficiency in Geographical Information Systems (Arch-GIS), Computer Aided Design (Archi-CAD) Land Information Systems.

Pedagogic

2003-Present : Lecturer, studio master, academic supervisor

Licenses / Certification

2002-Present : **Registered and Licenced Physical Planner**
2002-Present : **Corporate Member** – Kenya Institute of Planners

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL PORTFOLIO

2019 : County Government of Makueni – **Makueni County Spatial Plan**
2017 : County Government of Uasin Gishu – **Local Physical Development Plan for Moi's Bridge Town**
2017 : County Government of Uasin Gishu – **Local Physical Development Plan for Burnt Forest Town**
2017 : County Government of Uasin Gishu – **Local Physical Development Plan for Cheptiret Town**
2017 : United Nations Development Programme – **County Spatial Planning Guidelines**
2015 : County Government of Kilifi – **Kilifi County Spatial Plan**
2015 : County Government of Kilifi – **Local Physical Development Plan for Marafa Town**
2015 : County Government of Kilifi – **Local Physical Development Plan for Marereni Town**
2015 : County Government of Kilifi – **Local Physical Development Plan for Kaloleni Town**
2015 : Government of Sweden – **An Evaluation of Swedish Support for Sustainable Urban Development**
2015 : Civil Society Urban Development Platform – **Expanding the CSUDP CSOs Database through Mapping and Profiling of Civil Society Organizations engaged within the Urban Development Sector in 16 Counties of Kenya**
2013 : Narok County Government – **County Integrated Development Plan**
2013 : Government of Kenya – **Integrated and Strategic Urban Development Plan for Siaya Town**
2013 : Government of Kenya – **Integrated Plan for Lamu County**
2010 : Government of Kenya – **Local Physical Development for Konza Techno-city**
2010 : Coast Development Authority – **Integrated Coast Region Master Plan**
2002 : Nyandarua County Council – **Nyandarua Regional Physical Development Plan**
2000 : Nakuru Municipal Council – **Nakuru Strategic Structure Plan**

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

2016 : Lawrence Esho and Robert Obudho - **Space as an Integrating Frame**: Manifestations of and prospects for strategic spatial thinking in East Africa's quest for integration, in Louis Albrechts, Alessandro Balducci and Jean Hillier (eds) *Situated practices of strategic planning,* Tylor Francis, London
2009 : Lawrence Esho - The **Mode of Extemporization**: The Role of Informality in Reconstituting Formal Urban Spaces: The Case of Nakuru, Kenya. *Published Doctoral Dissertation*. Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium
2004 : Lawrence Esho, Loeckx, A & De Meulder, B - **Nakuru: Structuring Urban Natures** in Loeckx, A, et. al (Eds). *Urban Trialogues: Visions, Projects & Co-productions: Localizing Agenda 21*. UN-Habitat, Nairobi
2004 : Lawrence Esho, Van Den Broeck, J & Verschure, H - **Urban Development by Co-production** in Loeckx, A, et. al. (Eds). *Urban Trialogues: Visions, Projects & Co-productions: Localizing Agenda 21*. UN-Habitat, Nairobi
2003 : Lawrence Esho - **Strategic Planning in Nakuru, Kenya**: Localizing the SSP in the South" *Unpublished M.A Dissertation*. Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium
1997 : Lawrence Esho - **The Privatization of Solid Waste Services in Nairobi, Kenya** *Unpublished M.A Dissertation* University of Nairobi (UON), Kenya

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