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New Era College of Arts, Science and Technology has capped 526 graduates from the 2022 convocation ceremony held under the theme, 'Women, Building Opportunities for the Future in Engineering: Creativity & Innovation'. The event held at Boipuso Hall at Fairgrounds on Tuesday (November 15, 2022) was rather a special occasion as four (4) cohorts from the Classes of 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 were all capped on the day.

The outbreak of Covid-19 in late 2019 had forced the postponement of graduation ceremonies from 2019 to 2021. Speaking at the jubilant occasion, the Minister of Communications, Knowledge and Technology, Hon. Thulagano Merafe Segokgo gave a 'hero' status to the graduates as he said they had shown some determination despite having to complete their studies under the worst times in recent years.

He implored the graduates to also seek to use the skills learned in the institution to create jobs as that way will help the country's economy. "It is a fact that the Covid-19 pandemic disturbed most and disrupted how we do business in our daily basis. Surely, the reason we are graduating four (4) cohorts today is due to the pandemic. Today you are here as testimony that indeed 'Education is for Life'. Whilst we have been impacted heavily by the pandemic, I believe that with credentials bestowed on all of you today, you are going to do tremendous things in the industry here, locally and some of you internationally".

"I have a firm belief that you are going to support the government in realizing pillar one of the vision 2036 which speaks to sustainable economic development. You may wonder how this could be achieved through yourselves. As graduates, the government needs you to establish startups in the areas that you are qualified in so that you create employment for others. We expect you to take part in meaningful research, which will change the landscape of our country's economy. We expect you to compete internationally and fly Botswana's flag high by setting up multinational companies," Hon. Segokgo said.

The New Era College Chief Executive Officer and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Research, Professor Amos Thapisa said due to the outbreak of Covid-19, the institution changed the landscape of their business model and teaching aids as well as events such as graduation ceremonies.

Prof. Thapisa said New Era College with held the graduation ceremonies during the period to allow the graduates an opportunity to celebrate with their loved ones. "This is truly a special occasion as we are here to recognize and celebrate achievements of not one but four cohorts of graduates. This ceremony was long overdue and reasons for that are embedded in our struggle with Covid-19. The Covid-19 pandemic had brought the full world to a standstill and we had not been an exception. We have had to fight, adapt, and be made strong.

By: Kgosi Moremong



New Era College of Arts Science and Technology is proud to announce it has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the INTI International University, a tertiary Institution in Malaysia.

The historic MOU speaks towards the College's strategic vision of becoming a globally renowned University with reputable international partners. Through this partnership, the College has access to an avenue of promoting research as well as pursuing academic and training excellence.

One of the exciting areas of partnership and cooperation set to be explored in the near future is that of student and faculty mobility programs. These programs are initiatives where members from both institutions trade places for a set period of time to be able to learn various insights from each other such as cultural practices, different educational methodologies as well as an overall experience of how campus life is experienced in different parts of the world. The aim of the program will be to give the participants an enriching experience as well as insights and knowledge for areas they could replicate in their own areas, while making them globally ready for the professional world.

Moreover, both institutions will endeavor to provide support to each other in areas such as research, teaching and learning, training, guest lecturing, academic funding, joint organizing and operation of seminars, workshops and conferences as well as co-curricular exchanges such as cultural and sporting activities.

The five year partnership will position New Era College as a center for academic excellence through the positive impact of having international partners such as INTI International University to leverage from. New Era College has embarked on academic, research and corporate social investment initiatives that are in-line with the government Botswana's national transformation agenda to transform the country into a knowledge based economy.

New Era College would like to take this opportunity to thank INTI International University for this partnership and is hopeful that this is the beginning of many more fruitful partnerships and collaborations across the academic sphere.

NEW ERA COLLEGE PARTICIPATES IN THE INAUGURAL TVET EXPO

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New Era College was proud to participate in the inaugural TVET Expo organized by HRDC held at the Francistown College of Technical and Vocational Education from the 22nd to the 23rd of November.

The TVET Expo is a platform for all stakeholders in the TVET sector to congregate and share their offerings in TVET, experiences and to propose any solutions that can grow the sector.

As a leading TVET institution, voted in 2018 as the best private TVET institution, the College showcased their programs in Construction Engineering, Electrical and Electronics Engineering as well as Telecommunications Engineering.

The College showcased their STEM department which equips learners with fourth industrial revolution skills such as electronics, programming and robotics.

THE SOCIETAL IMPACT OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP GUEST LECTURE

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New Era College hosted an incredibly insightful guest lecture with Mr. Ignicous Molefi who is Managing Director IGMO (Pty) Ltd. The lecture was focused on The Societal impact of Entrepreneurship: Entrepreneurship and poverty alleviation, with reference to exploring entrepreneurship as a viable long-term solution to unemployment.

“As an entrepreneur you have to have a dream and set the goal, I mean the founder of Microsoft Bill Gates once dreamt that one day

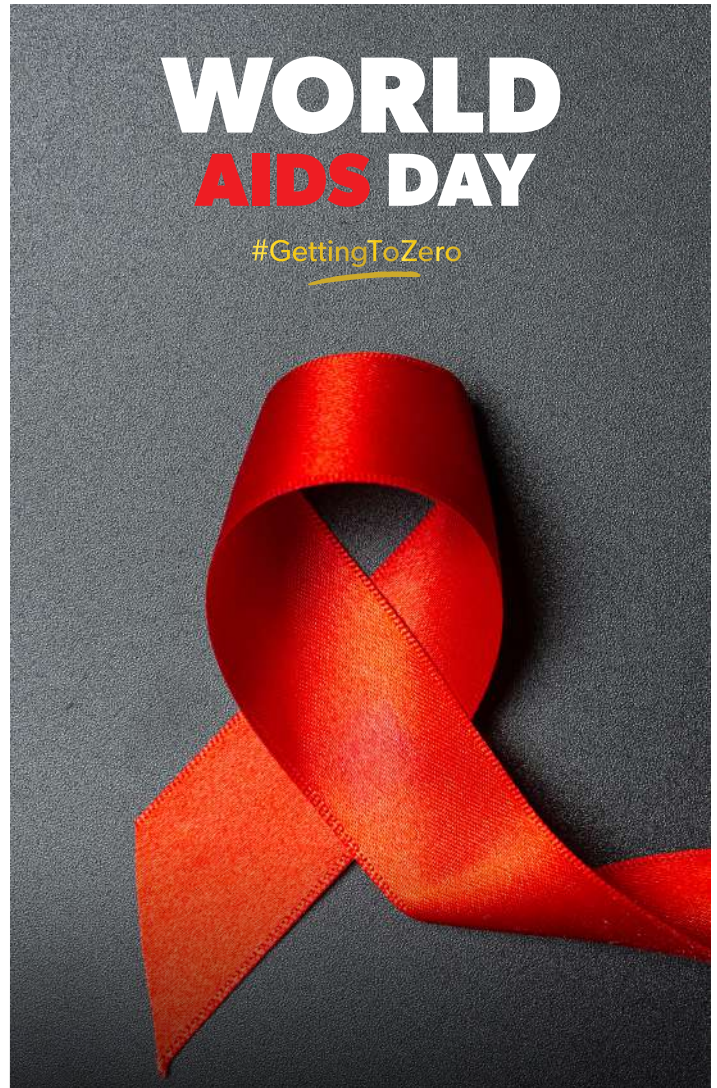
people would have their own personal computers and most people laughed at him. Look at us now navigating through the globe using his invention. No dream is too big, and impossible is nothing”, said Molefi.

The practice of using external guest lecturers is a common approach of enriching students’ learning experiences in the education of many disciplines.

NEW ERA COLLEGE HOSTS EMPLOYABILITY TRAINING



New Era College hosted an employability training for graduates and final-year students in collaboration with the Ministry of Labour and Home Affairs and Ministry of Transport and Public Works. The training's goal is to equip final-year students and graduates with employability skills in order to maximize their employability in their respective fields of study.



Each year, on 1st of December, the world commemorates World AIDS Day. People around the world unite to show support for people living with HIV and to remember those who have died from AIDS-related illnesses.

Each World AIDS Day focuses on a specific theme, which this year will be Equalize. UNAIDS is urging each of us to address the inequalities which are holding back progress in ending AIDS. This year's theme joins a growing list of challenges that World AIDS Day has alerted people to globally



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