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THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY REGIONAL CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR VACCINES, IMMUNIZATION AND HEALTH SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT



Dear partners, friends and colleagues,

In this latest newsletter we would like to introduce you to our new staff at the RCE-VIHSCM.

OUR NEW STAFF

Dr. Stephen Karengera ***THE NEW RCE-VIHSCM DIRECTOR***

Dr. Stephen has spent the last seven years as a programming and policy analyst at the global health level through taking up assignments with Gavi, The Vaccine Alliance, the East African Community (EAC Secretariat –Arusha) and UNDP South Sudan.

Before then, Stephen had spent nearly 21 years at the national level, where he served under various capacities including being appointed as the Adviser to the Minister of Health –Rwanda. Prior to then, he had served the same Ministry as the Director of Policy, Planning and Capacity Building Department, and before then as the National Coordinator, M&E Task Force.

Stephen has also served as the medical Specialist, Rwanda Demobilization and Reintegration Commission/Programme (RDRC/P), where he spearheaded the setting up and operationalisation of one of the best DDR medical



Stephen trained in Human Medicine at Makerere University, Kampala, and has post-graduate training in MPH Specializing in Health Economics from the University of Cape Town.

Dr. Rutungwa Eugene

THE NEW RCE-VIHSCM STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

Dr. Eugene has over 15 years' experience working in both private and public institutions. He worked in different financial institutions and occupied different positions. He is in a small team which created UNGUKA Bank in 2004. After its creation, he worked for it until UNGUKA got its operating license. In 2006, he shifted and became a planner for the Office Rwandaise du Tourisme et des Parcs Nationaux (ORTPN) and in 2008 he became a planner for Rwanda Development Board (RDB) until 2011.



Eugene joined Kigali Independent University ULK, a private higher learning institution in 2011 where he occupied different senior positions; he worked as Director of Academic Affairs and also Director of Post Graduate Studies, Research and Consultancies. He joined the University of Rwanda (UR) in 2018 as a senior lecturer in College of Business and Economics (CBE) Department of Finance. He is a Ph.D. holder in Organizational Development and Transformation (CEBU Doctors University, Philippines), MBA in Business Management (Eastern African University, Baraton/Kenya) and Bachelor of Accounting from AUCA. Eugene is currently an audit committee member for the Ministry of Education since May 2017.

Dr. Regis Hitimana

THE NEW RCE-VIHSCM RESEARCH COORDINATOR

Dr. Regis is a Public Health professional with 11 years of experience. He is currently a Lecturer in the Department of Health Policy, Economics and

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joining the University of Rwanda, he worked in the Rwandan Ministry of Health (2010-2014), where he was involved in health policy development, planning and budgeting for health sector programs.

He holds a Ph.D. degree in Health Economics from Umeå University/Sweden. He has been involved in Research and consultancies in the areas of health economic evaluations, health systems assessment and health plans and policy development and review.



An open forum to discuss challenges and new solutions in global health delivery, disaster preparedness and response, and long-term development.

HHL2019 - 11th Annual Conference on Health & Humanitarian Logistics

July 10-11, 2019 | Kigali, Rwanda

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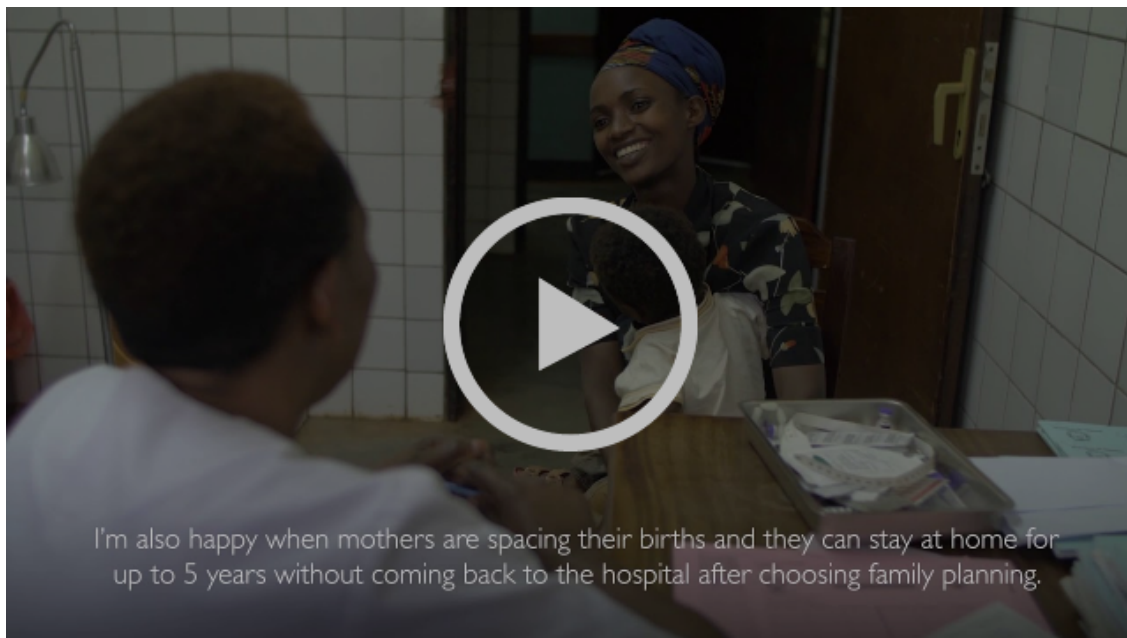
Representatives from the humanitarian sector, government, NGOs, foundations and private industry, and academia will collaborate and present diverse perspectives in health and humanitarian challenges through keynote addresses, panel discussions, focused workshops, and interactive poster sessions.

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