

## **UTAFITI SERA HOUSE 3<sup>RD</sup> FORUM.**

### **Background**

In the last eight months, Pamoja Trust has worked with PASGR and several stakeholders in Kenya to establish and foster conversations under the aegis of [Utafiti Sera House on Urban Governance and City Transformation in Nairobi](#). These conversations have explored the dynamics as well as the contemporary questions of urban governance in an era characterized by mega-infrastructure. Investments in mega-infrastructure continue to have significant bearing on who belongs and who does not belong to contemporary urban settings. Even more important, infrastructure as a new model for development in Kenya has had significant implications for governance. Consequently, we have adopted UN-HABITAT's framing of governance in our synthesis paper: a paper that gives evidence based information on the question; Social Dimensions of Infrastructure.

*“Effective urban governance is characterized as democratic and inclusive; long-term and integrated; multi-scale and multilevel; territorial; proficient and conscious of the digital age”.*

Using evidence, the Utafiti Sera House has engaged stakeholders to ensure that urban governance and infrastructure development processes are inclusiveness. To achieve this, house discussions considered the social transformation provisions in Kenya's Constitution as well as guidelines by institutions such as the World Bank, Africa Development Bank and the European Union.

### **Progress**

Since the inception of this Utafiti Sera House on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2018, progress has been made in several aspects. In its first convening, the house defined the central policy issue to address: working with relevant governmental authorities and development partners to develop and enact National Guidelines on Voluntary and Involuntary Relocation. This position was supported by parliamentarians who attended the second session held on 15<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018. The definition of remedial policy has however been an ever-unfolding process. It has become apparent that a structured mode of engagement would be necessary



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as the House pursues the long-term objective of policy remedy. It is for this reason that the Utafiti Sera House has engaged the Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA)<sup>1</sup> to redevelop the draft stakeholders Engagement Framework. This framework aims to develop a mode of infrastructure governance with the potential to advance the human rights and ensure inclusive cities.

Another sign of progress is the changed means of engagement between the House principal host - Pamoja Trust - and state actors, development partners, civil society organizations, professional association and community members. Stakeholders who were hesitant to engage with civil society organizations have since considered it appropriate to do so based on the position and policy propositions advanced by the Utafiti Sera House. This is evidenced in the role of Pamoja Trust on World Habitat Day, at the Kenya Institute of Planners Conference and the World Bank convening on Urban Governance.

Lastly, Utafiti Sera House has taken its position as the space to collectivize the various initiatives on urban governance. Alongside its critical role of using available evidence to advocate for and promote policy change, the House has now become a human rights and social justice observatory on urban issues. This is evidenced in the House's collaboration with the Habitat International Coalition (HIC), as well as the collaboration of House Member, Haki Jamii, and the World Bank on monitoring the World Bank's infrastructure programmes.

### **Agenda for 3<sup>rd</sup> Utafiti Sera**

The third Utafiti Sera House scheduled for November 19, 2018 will build on the progress outlined above. The programme has been set in such a way as to collate issues on urban governance from the perspectives and input of multiple stakeholders.

### **Expected Outputs**

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<sup>1</sup> KENHA is a state corporation, established under the Kenya Roads Act 2007 with the responsibility for the management, development, rehabilitation and maintenance of international trunk roads linking centres of international importance and crossing international boundaries or terminating at international ports (Class A road).



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- Conclude and adopt the proposed stakeholders Engagement Framework
- Debate and adopt final versions of Voluntary and Involuntary Relocation Framework and recommendation for relevant statutory Amendments
- Review and adopt Urban Governance Human Rights Observatory tool
- Review and adopt agenda and strategy for International Conference on Urban Governance in 2019.
- Review and adopt legal, policy and political strategies for promoting Utafiti Sera agenda.



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**UTAFITI SERA DIALOGUE: 3rd Convening**  
**URBAN GOVERNANCE AND INTERGRATED INFRASTRUCTURE**  
**DEVELOPMENT IN KENYA**  
19<sup>th</sup> November, Mombasa

**November 19, 2018**

7:30-8:00	Welcome and Registration
8:30-9:00	<p><i>Setting the Stage:</i> URBAN GOVERNANCE AND INTERGRATED INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT IN KENYA</p> <p><i>Welcoming Remarks:</i> <b>Ms. Mercy Mukeni , Programs Manager, Pamoja Trust</b></p> <p><i>Opening Remarks:</i> <b>Dr. Steve Ouma Akoth, Executive Director, Pamoja Trust</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Martin Atela, Program Manager, PASGR</b></p> <p><b>Eng. Charles Obuon , KeNHA</b></p>
9:00-9:45	<p><b>Ezekiel Rema –Muungano</b> <i>What is happening in Nairobi</i></p>
9:45-10:00	<p><b>Walter Opanda – Rapid Response Team Mombasa</b> <i>What is happening in Mombasa</i></p>
10:00 – 10:30	<p><b>Mr. Patrick Ochieng – Stakeholder review on the Stakeholder Engagement Plan by KeNHA</b></p>
10:30-11:00	<p><b>Mr. Anthony Otiende - Champion, Utafiti Sera House</b> <i>How we are making use of Slums Upgrading and Prevention Bill</i></p>
11:00-11:15	<i>Health break</i>
11:15-11:30	Crowd Sourcing Exercise



11:30-13:00	<p><i>Moderator: Antony Otiende</i></p> <p><b>Working Group session:</b> <i>Session Objective:</i> <i>Working Group discussions and reactions to the various Agenda outputs for Urban Utafiti Sera House</i></p> <p><i>Working Groups and Leadership :</i></p> <p><b>Stakeholders Engagement Framework, Mr. Patrick Ochieng' , Mombasa</b></p> <p><b>Final versions of Voluntary Relocation Framework and recommendation for relevant statutory Amendments: Mr. Anthony Otiende</b></p> <p><b>Legal, policy and political strategies for promoting Utafiti Sera agenda. : Etyang Kamukam, Pamoja Trust</b></p>
13:00-14:00	Lunch
14:00-14:20	Crowd Sourcing Exercise
14:20-16:00	<p><b>ENABLERS OF INTERGRATED INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT IN KENYA</b></p> <p><b>Session Objective:</b> <i>Working Group Presentations, discussions and reactions to the five outputs of Urban utafiti Sera House</i></p> <p><b>Key Note Speaker:</b> <b>Dr. Steve Ouma Akoth, Executive Director, Pamoja Trust</b></p> <p><i>Moderator: Hon. Akuk – Urban Governace Speacialist</i></p> <p><i>Panelists:</i> <b>Stakeholders Engagement Framework, Mr. Patrick Ochieng' , Mombasa</b></p> <p><b>Final versions of Voluntary Relocation Framework and recommendation for relevant statutory Amendments : Anthony Otiende</b></p> <p><b>Legal, Policy and political strategies for promoting Utafiti Sera agenda. : Etyang Kamkam, Pamoja Trust</b></p>
16:00-16:30	



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	<b>Agenda and strategy for International Conference on Urban Governance in 2019</b> : Marjory Githure (PASGR)
	<i>Way forward:</i> <b>Dr. Steve Akoth</b>
	<i>Closing remarks:</i> <b>Dr. Martin Atela,</b>

November 19, 2018

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