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YASA WELCOMES A NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2026-2028

The Young African Statisticians Association (YASA) is pleased to announce the new Executive Committee (EXCO) following the successful conclusion of the recent elections. The incoming leadership team will guide the association in advancing its mission of promoting statistical development across Africa.

The new EXCO 2026-2028 begins its term in April 2026, through to March 2029, in accordance with YASA's constitutional requirements. The new EXCO reflects notable diversity, comprising **six female and five male members drawn from nine different African countries**. This composition highlights YASA's commitment to gender inclusion, balanced representation, and regional diversity. Such a leadership structure is expected to enhance the association's responsiveness to the varied needs of its members and strengthen collaboration across different parts of the continent. It also reinforces the importance of inclusive governance in shaping policies and programmes that are representative and impactful.

According to the Chair of the Electoral Committee, the election process was conducted in full compliance with YASA's electoral guidelines, ensuring transparency, fairness, and democratic participation. The Committee noted with appreciation the willingness of members to serve the association. In a message to newly The Electoral Committee chairperson, Mr Andrew Tshililo, extended his congratulations to the newly elected leadership and expressed confidence in their ability to strengthen the association and contribute meaningfully to statistical development across the continent. He further acknowledged the contributions of all members who participated in the election process, as well as the outgoing leadership for their dedication and service to YASA.

As the new EXCO assumes office, it is expected to build on existing achievements while introducing new initiatives that support professional development, research, and engagement within the statistical community. We encourage members to continue supporting the association's activities and to actively engage with the new leadership.

Meet the 2026-2028 YASA EXCO:



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