

## A CONCEPT-NOTE

# THE TUMUSIIME MUTEBILE ANNUAL PUBLIC LECTURE AS PART OF THE MAKERERE@100 PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES

# Thursday 28th April 2022 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

**TOPIC:** "Economic Recovery and Resilience in a post-covid-19 world – the role of

Higher Education Institutions."

#### 0.01 Introduction:

In October 2022, Makerere University will be celebrating 100 years of its dominance and contribution to providing higher education services to Uganda, the region and the world at large. Since its humble beginning in 1922, Makerere University has been able to transform communities and societies through its wealth of human capital, numerous research outcomes and Technological Innovations that have served Africa and the world in general.

A key reformist who contributed to the economic transformation and resilience of Uganda was Professor Emmanuel Tumusiime Mutebile, an industrious leader whose policies were monumental in unlocking Uganda's economic potential as the country healed from the economic crises of the 1970s and 1980s.

As Makerere celebrates 100 years of existence, the life and contribution of the late Professor Emmanuel Mutebile, as Guild President, great scholar, seasoned economist and Honorary Professor is worth remembering. Thus, a public lecture, in memory of the late Emmanuel Mutebile's contributions to Makerere has been organized as part of the Mak@100 Public Lecture series aimed at highlighting the celebration activities of Makerere at 100 years.

#### 0.02 ABOUT THE LATE EMMANUEL TUMUSIIME MUTEBILE

Born January 27, 1949, in Kabale, the late Emmanuel Tumusiime Mutebile attended Kigezi College Butobere for his O-level before joining Makerere College School for his A-level and in 1970 he joined Makerere University and was later elected guild president.

Professor Mutebile is credited with many of the sound economic policies adopted by the Uganda government at the urging of the central bank during the 1990s and the first decade of the 2000s. He distinctively provided leadership to Uganda's Central Bank for the last 21 years.

Since 2006, the late Prof Mutebile was a visiting professor in the Department of Economics at Makerere University, where he taught and mentored several students. At Makerere University, he championed strategies connecting the University with the private sector and business community to find solutions to economic challenges.

At the time of his passing, he was the Patron of Makerere University Private Sector Forum.

## 0.03 OBJECTIVES OF THE TUMUSIIME MUTEBILE ANNUAL PUBLIC LECTURE:

The following will be the objectives of the lecture;

- 1) To celebrate the unique life and contribution of the late. Emmanuel Tumusiime Mutebile, who served as an Honorary Professor and in many other distinct roles at Makerere University.
- 2) Provide space for a macroeconomic and political economy experiential sharing in matters of fostering Economic Recovery and Resilience in a post-covid-19 world between representatives of government, the academia, civil society and stakeholders, young leaders and students as well as alumni of Makerere University.
- 3) To provide a platform for Makerere's stakeholders to discuss and forge a way on how a major project can be started in memory of the Late Emmanuel Tumusiime Mutebile including identifying a building, a road or a course, to be named after the late professor.
- 4) Lastly, to celebrate Makerere's rare achievement of 100 years and provide ideas on how Makerere prepares itself for the new journey of 100 years.

#### 0.04 EXPECTED OUTCOMES:

The Public Lecture is expected to broaden the understanding of the contributions of Emmanuel Tumusiime Mutebile and Makerere's other scholars and administrators. This will serve as an annual intellectual rallying point for scholars, students and the general public by drawing eminent scholars and government representatives from across Africa and the globe in intellectual conversation and discourse that will proffer solutions to crucial issues in building a recovering and resilient economy in a post-covid-19 world.

The content discussed and the views shared in this public lecture will therefore be shared widely but also archived for future reference purposes.

Secondly, the Public Lecture is expected to highlight the activities lined up in the celebrations of Makerere at 100 years. This will assist provide a clearer picture of the historical journey Makerere has weathered as it tries to achieve its mission of building for the future.

### 0.05 THE STRUCTURE/METHODOLOGY:

The lecture hosted by the College of Business and Management Sciences and other partners in the finance and economic policy areas will be a 4-hour event, aimed at highlighting the wonderful life journey of the Late Mutebile and his contribution to Makerere University's journey of 100 years. The keynote speaker will have a 45 minutes moment to unpack the life and contributions of the late while using his life journey and policies to identify opportunities for Higher Education Institutions to foster Economic Recovery and Resilience in a post-covid-19 world.

After the delivery of the keynote address, a **moderated session** with the keynote speaker will continue to shade more light to the audience on the key outcomes of the address. The public/audience will then be accorded a 30-minute question and answer session to make contributions, observations and any other matters arising.

The audience consisting of 300 participants will be composed of Makerere University's members of the Council, Management, staff, students and other guests.

Lastly, the lecture will also include *an online engagement* which will provide an opportunity for the wider Makerere University's stakeholders to follow the lecture proceedings online via zoom.

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