



ABOUT US

East Africa Law Society is the regional bar for the East African Community. Our membership comprises all the national bars in the East African Community – the Law Society of Kenya, Tanganyika Law Society, Uganda Law Society, Zanzibar Law Society, Rwanda Bar Association, Burundi Bar Association and the South Sudan Bar Association.

The membership is both institutional as well as individual.

OBJECTIVES

- Fast track the integration of East African communities through targeted support to cross-border commerce, the legal profession, civil societies, business communities and governments
- Develop the capacity of the legal profession to respond to emerging challenges to businesses, governance and trade, among other areas
- Promote rule of law, good governance and human rights through strategic litigation at the East African Court of Justice and the African Court, and through capacity building initiatives to members and community-based organizations
- Support EAC institutions of EALA, EACJ and the Secretariat, and the Apex bodies in developing tools aimed at realizing the EAC integration

OUR RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS

- Observer Status with the East African Community, and the African Commission on Human and People's Rights
- Conducted cutting-edge training in law and technology, international trade, business and human rights, artificial intelligence and cybercrime and forensic evidence, among other areas
- Collaborated with the International Bar Association in hosting the Breakfast Session during the 2018 IBA Conference in Rome
- Setting up ALSF Academy and conducting high-level training facilitated by top international law firms
- Pioneered the EAC Integration Index, measuring key integration pillars and providing guidance to policy makers on cross-border trade
- Established a border post to support capacity of small-scale cross-border traders at the Kenya-Tanzania Border of Namanga
- Through the Leading Law Firms Forum, conducted high-level capacity building to law firms in the region while promoting growth of cross-border law firms
- Through the Young Lawyers Forum, provided mentorship programs to young lawyers by connecting them to leaders across the region while granting them opportunities to speak at major conferences
- Through the Women Lawyers Forum, we have empowered our female members to take up major challenges in their fields
- We are leading the legal profession in building capacity of women to actively benefit from opportunities in the extractive industry
- We have recently acquired permanent offices premises at the heart of Arusha and permanently settled the regional bar



OUR TEAM

We are steered by an elected Governing Council comprising of members drawn from the national bars. The secretariat is run by a team headed by competent Chief Executive Officer. The current leadership comprises:



Willy Rubeya
(Burundi)
President



Sarah Mhamilawa
(Tanzania)
Vice President



Asmahaney Saad
(Uganda)
Secretary General



Hannington Amol
Chief Executive Officer



Maggie Baingana
(Rwanda)
Deputy Treasurer &
Women Lawyers
Representative



Barbara Malowa
(Kenya)
Deputy Secretary General
& Young Lawyers
Representative



Simon P. Kinobe
President
Uganda Law Society



Allen W. Gichuhi
President
Law Society of Kenya



Fatma Karume
President
Tanganyika Law Society



Julien Kavaruganda
Batonnier
Rwanda Bar Association



Salvator Kiyuku
Batonnier
Burundi Bar Association



Representative
Zanzibar Law Society

Representative
South Sudan Bar Association



JOIN US TODAY

Membership is by institutions and by individual. Currently, we have 7 institutional members. An association of lawyers based in East Africa can apply for membership. For individuals, membership is open to lawyers admitted to practice in East Africa. The membership is through application and payment of an annual membership subscription fee as set out below:

Level of Post-Qualification Experience	Applicable Fee (\$)	The membership fee is payable annually and can be deposited directly to our bank account details:
0-2 years	10	Kenya Commercial Bank, Arusha Branch (USD) Account Number: 3390207473
2-5 years	20	
Above 5 years	40	The above can be deposited at any KCB Branch

Effective 1st February 2018, the above fees can be paid online through our website using payment card, PayPal and other online tools.

Upon payment, please communicate to us through info@ealawsociety.org to provide your details for ease of communication.

BENEFITS OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP

Our paid-up members are:

- Granted priority when we are selecting speakers and delegates for our activities
- Entitled to exclusive discounts on all our events and products
- Entitled to EALS Affinity Card for identification and to access exclusive discounts across many service providers in the region
- Receive customized communication on vacancies across our partner institutions
- Granted priority when we are selecting our consultants
- Take part in our exclusive networking activities, the Leading Law Firms Forums retreats, in-house counsel retreats, breakfast events, women lawyers retreats, and young lawyers networking events
- Granted priority in publishing their researched publications through our journals, magazines and blogs.

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