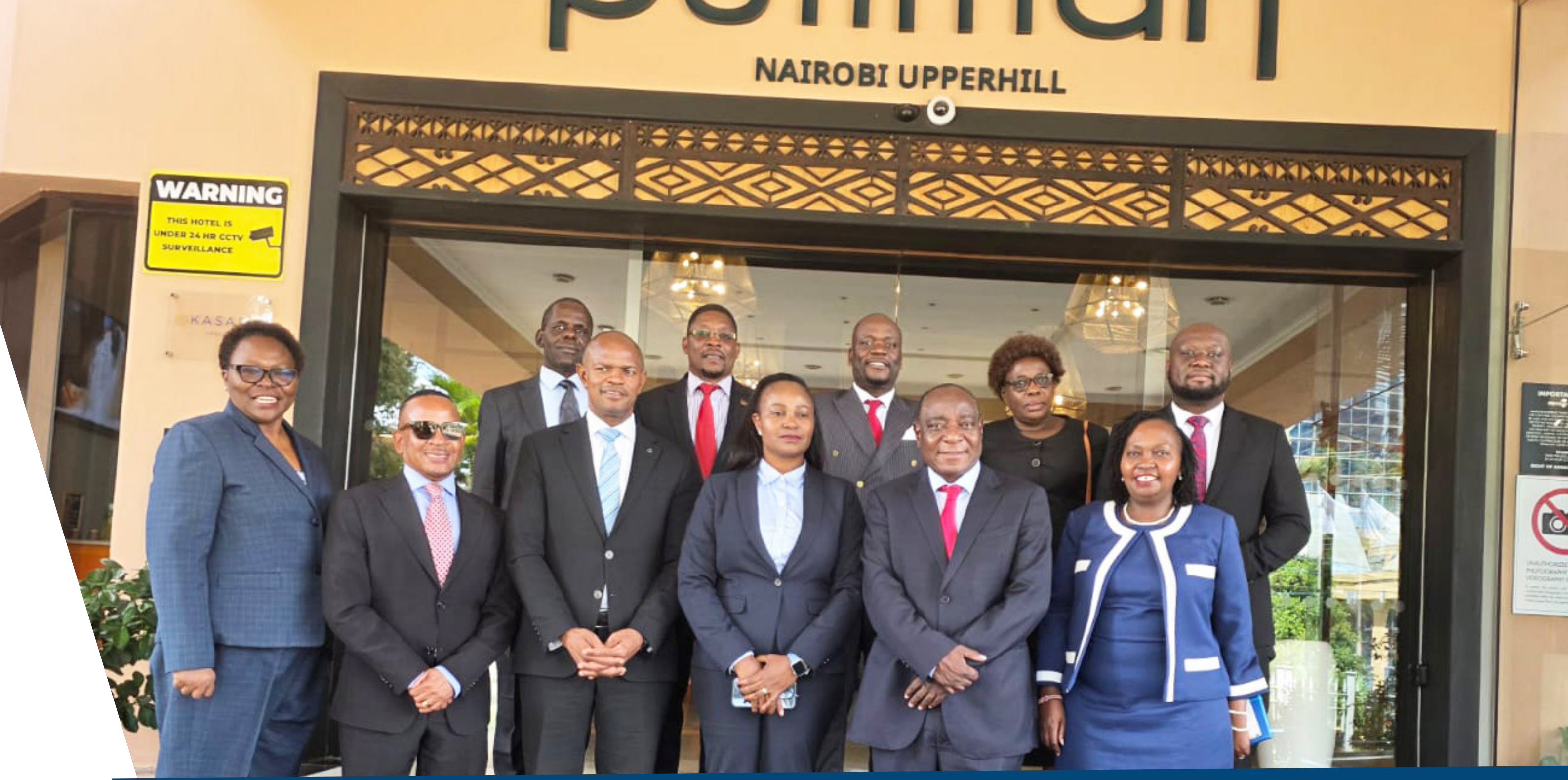

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A message from the ARC Chairperson

Dear Members and Associate Members,

I am indeed humbled by the confidence and trust you have bestowed on me to serve as IADI ARC Chairperson for the second term running. For a community in which the combined wealth of experience and commitment of the members abound, serving a second term in leadership is a seldom show of trust. It is with humility that I accept this renewed mandate to continue serving in the same capacity. I have no iota of doubt in my mind that with the zeal and unwavering commitment of the members of the Executive Committee, we shall continue to serve diligently and to deliver on the tasks ahead.

Over the past term of office, we have collectively recorded noteworthy achievements in our effort to grow the concept of deposit insurance and thereby contribute to enhancing public confidence in the financial sector. Plausible strides have been made on various fronts by respective member jurisdictions, all of which have elevated the value and profile of deposit insurance in the public domain. It is my proposition that for the next term of office, we continue to build on the achievements of the past anchored on the focal areas of:

- i). Increasing membership in the region;
- ii). Adoption of technology for efficiency;
- iii). Enhancing regional collaboration and knowledge sharing among members;
- iv). Scaling up public awareness and
- v). Growing the research function of the ARC.

I congratulate Mr. Petrus Shifotoka upon being confirmed as the Deputy Training and Research Co-Ordinator. Your willingness to step forward to serve, while some remain cagey when it comes to voluntary service, is testament to your good intentions and desire to see that our region grows to the level we all envisage. Welcome aboard. Sustainability of leadership of the ARC is heavily dependent on members standing up to take on the mantle. I wish to implore and urge members to stand tall and offer to lead our organization whenever called upon.

As we welcome this 3rd edition of the ARC Bulletin, I take exception to recognize and appreciate the ARC Communications Committee for their resilience and commitment to see that this publication becomes a regular platform for information and knowledge sharing. Like many firsts, the initial steps were wobbly mainly because of delayed submission of content from member jurisdictions, but the determination of the Communications team made the inaugural bulletin come to fruition. Special appreciation to our Secretary for Publicity, Ms. Sabihah Mohamed and the editorial team of Chitani Chigumula, DIC (Malawi), Patrick Ezaga, DPF (Uganda), Crispus Yankem, KDIC (Kenya), Allen Musadziruma, DPC (Zimbabwe) and Ebenezer Kpentey, GDPC (Ghana).

I look forward with delight to seeing you all in Abuja, Nigeria come July 2026. With our collective efforts, IADI-ARC will scale heights!

Dr. Julia C. Oyet (Mrs)
Chairperson, IADI Africa Regional Committee

UPDATES FROM ARC MEMBER INSTITUTIONS

Deposit Protection Fund of Uganda

Deepening public trust through enhanced public awareness and financial literacy

Since the last edition of the ARC Bulletin, the Deposit Protection Fund of Uganda (DPF) continued in the trajectory of entrenching the gains initiated in the last year. Among others, the DPF maintained its efforts to address issues ranging from proposals to broaden the regulatory framework, review of the protected limit, growth of the fund size and scaling up outreach activities to increase public awareness.

DPF Board members with stakeholders from the Sebei Sub-region, Eastern Uganda

The DPF commissioned the nationwide survey to determine the current level of public awareness about the DOF and its mandate. Deeper insights into these notable engagements over the period are presented below.

1.0 Public awareness beyond urban centers

These were undertaken through a series of community engagements, national awareness campaigns, media outreach, and partnerships with financial sector stakeholders. The aim was to intensify nationwide efforts to strengthen depositor awareness, financial literacy, and confidence in the country's banking system.

1.1 Board Town Halls

A Board Town Hall engagement was held in Mbale City, Eastern Uganda, bringing together district leaders, civil society organizations, business representatives, religious leaders, media practitioners, and supervised financial institutions from the Sebei Sub-region.

1.2 Multimedia and Radio Campaigns Strengthening Public Reach

With due recognition of the importance of accessible and inclusive communication, DPF significantly expanded its public awareness initiatives through nationwide multimedia campaigns and targeted regional radio engagements. A nationwide multimedia campaign running from March to June 2026 across 40 radio stations and 5 television stations throughout Uganda was executed. By leveraging both local language and mainstream media platforms, the Fund continues to enhance accessibility to financial sector information, particularly among rural and underserved communities.

1.3 Financial Sector stakeholder engagement – Insurance Week

In March 2026, DPF participated as a sponsor in Uganda's 5th Annual Insurance Week, a flagship national financial sector awareness initiative organized by the Insurance Regulatory Authority of Uganda (IRA). The week-long event brought together regulators, banks, insurers, fintech companies, and other financial sector players to engage the public on financial protection and inclusion.

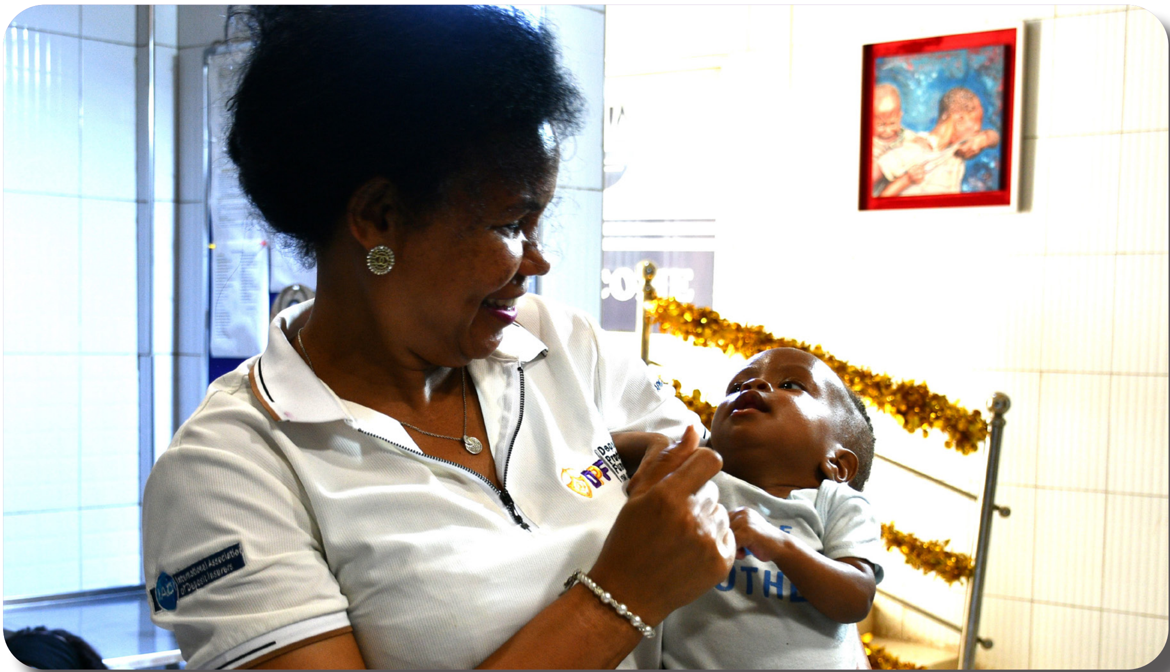
2.0 Corporate Social Responsibility: Supporting communities beyond finance

Beyond financial literacy and awareness initiatives, DPF continues to strengthen its corporate social responsibility footprint through targeted community support programmes. During this period, the Fund extended support to Teresa Ministries Children's Home in Kampala, a facility that offers care to abandoned and vulnerable children. Plans are underway to install a high grade, modern incinerator in Moroto Regional Referral Hospital in Northeastern Uganda.

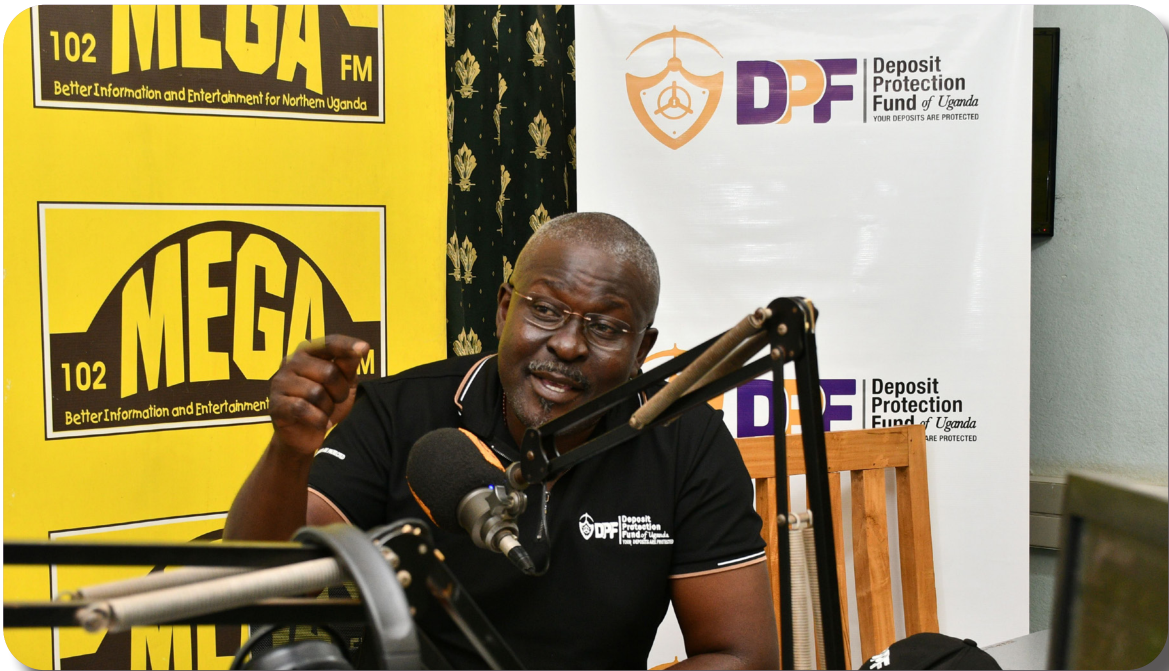
3.0 Staff Team Building Retreat

Once in a year, DPF staff retreat for a team enhancement activity in a serene, off site location. The retreats are designed to strengthen team cohesion, enhance staff wellbeing, and provide an opportunity

DPF staff at Sipi Falls in Eastern Uganda for reflection and renewal after a year of dedicated service. Activities focus on improving communication, collaboration, and trust among staff while fostering stronger cross-departmental relationships.



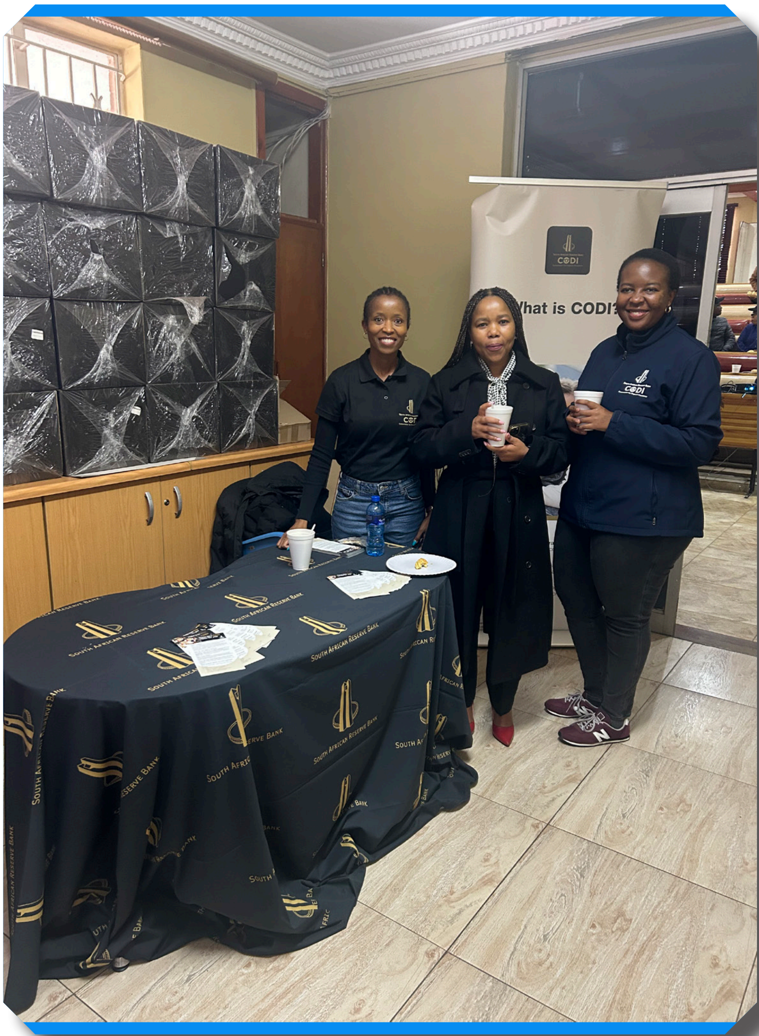
CEO Dr. Julia Clare Olima Oyet (Mrs.) having a cheerful moment with one of the babies at Teresa Ministries Children's Home



DPF's Director Communications, Mr. Patrick Ezaga in one of the radio talk shows

Corporation for Deposit Insurance in South Africa (CODI)

The depositor reimbursement for Ditsobotla Savings and Credit Cooperative Bank (DCB) continues. The Corporation for Deposit Insurance in South Africa (CODI) is working with the liquidator to address disputes and deceased estates. At the same time, CODI is attempting to get hold of depositors who have not yet submitted their details to CODI for reimbursement of their covered deposits.



Officials of CODI at a programme

CODI is collaborating with the banking sector to change the composition of the deposit insurance fund to reduce CODI's dependence on loan funding. In addition, CODI is refining the emergency funding arrangements with the South African Reserve Bank (SARB) and National Treasury.

Following the implementation of an information technology system for single customer view (SCV) calculations in October 2025, CODI is continuing with system development to improve its ability to provide timely resolution support in the event of a bank failure.

CODI has completed research on deposit insurance best practice for cooperative financial institutions (CFIs). Currently, the focus is on assessing the feasibility of expanding its membership to include CFIs under the current framework.

In the past year, CODI refined its public awareness initiatives to include more targeted stakeholder engagements. The focus for the next financial year will be on community engagements and refining the approach banks use to communicate about CODI to their depositors.

Since the beginning of 2026, CODI attended several community-type events for public awareness purposes. The CODI team explained the benefits and limitations of CODI's protection at various events which included the Stokvel Sector Transformation Development Program, the South African Informal Traders Association and students from the University of the Free State.

Deposit Insurance Corporation, Malawi (DIC)

Lilongwe Teachers' Training College Students with their prizes during the Global Money Week

The DIC Enhances Depositor Protection Coverage

In January 2026, the Deposit Insurance Corporation (DIC) prescribed an insured deposit limit of K3.0 million (USD1,667.00) per depositor per member bank under the Deposit Insurance Scheme. The coverage applies to savings accounts, current accounts, and fixed or time deposits held with member banks, ensuring that the majority of ordinary Malawian depositors remain fully protected in the unlikely event of a bank failure.

Following the adjustment, the proportion of fully protected depositors increased from 92.7 percent in 2025 to 94.4 percent in 2026. This means that a larger share of depositors in Malawi are now fully covered under the deposit insurance scheme, further enhancing financial security and confidence among banking customers.

DIC Drives Financial Awareness Through Nationwide Outreach Campaigns

The DIC continued to strengthen public awareness and financial literacy through a series of nationwide outreach activities aimed at promoting confidence in the financial system and improving understanding of deposit protection. The outreach initiatives, included the following:

a. Promoting Financial Literacy During Global Money Week

As part of the 2026 Global Money Week commemorations held from 16 to22 March, DIC joined the Reserve Bank of Malawi and other financial sector stakeholders in delivering financial education sessions to young people across the country. The initiative reached more than 400 students and focused on key topics such as the importance of saving, responsible financial behaviour, and safeguarding personal finances.

The national programme was officially launched on 16 March 2026 at Zingwangwa Secondary School in Blantyre, where students were encouraged to develop positive financial habits from an early age. DIC also conducted awareness workshops at Salima Community Technical College, Lilongwe Teachers Training College, and Kasungu Community Skills Development Centre. Through interactive discussions and practical experiences, participants gained better understanding of how the financial system operates, the role of financial institutions, and the importance of protecting savings through the deposit insurance scheme. The campaign further reinforced the importance of financial inclusion and informed decision-making among the youth.

b. Engaging Future Legal Professionals on Deposit Insurance

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The interaction created an opportunity for future legal professionals to appreciate the practical application of financial sector laws and the role of deposit protection mechanisms in safeguarding the interests

Mubas Law Students pose for a photo

c. Strengthening Frontline Banking Awareness

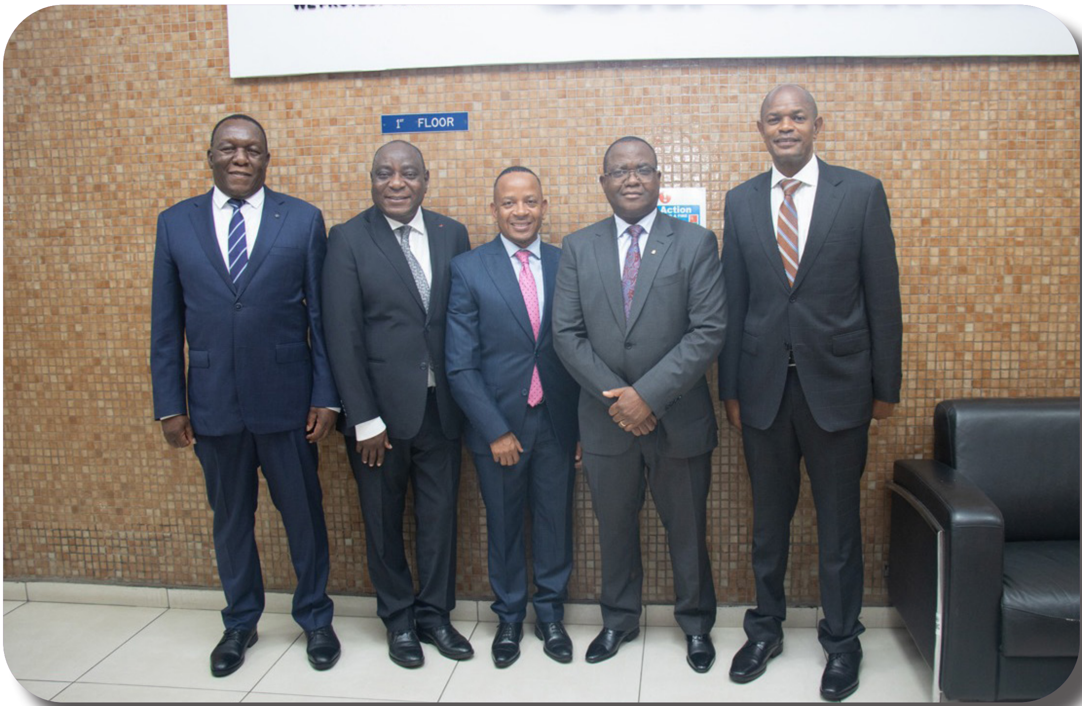
of depositors.

In another awareness initiative, DIC conducted training sessions for 97 frontline staff drawn from all eight member banks in Malawi from 20 to 23 April 2026.

The training aimed at enhancing understanding of the deposit insurance scheme among customer-facing banking personnel, who play a critical role in communicating with depositors on financial protection matters. Key areas covered included the mandate and operations of DIC, deposit coverage, reimbursement processes, and effective communication strategies for addressing customer concerns.

Strengthening Institutional Capacity Through Regional Learning Visits

As part of its commitment to institutional development and the adoption of international best practices, the DIC participated in regional learning engagements with fellow deposit insurers in Africa.



DIC Malawi Team pose for a photo while on a learning visit to Ghana

a. Knowledge Exchange with Kenya Deposit Insurance Corporation

From 20 to 24 April 2026, the DIC Board of Directors participated in a week-long learning visit to the Kenya Deposit Insurance Corporation (KDIC) in Nairobi, Kenya. The engagement provided an opportunity for in-depth knowledge sharing and peer learning on key operational and governance aspects of deposit insurance.

Discussions focused on board governance and oversight, enterprise risk management, fund management strategies, crisis preparedness and bank resolution mechanisms, as well as deposit reimbursement processes. The visit also provided insights into KDIC's operational experiences and approaches to maintaining depositor confidence and supporting financial system stability.

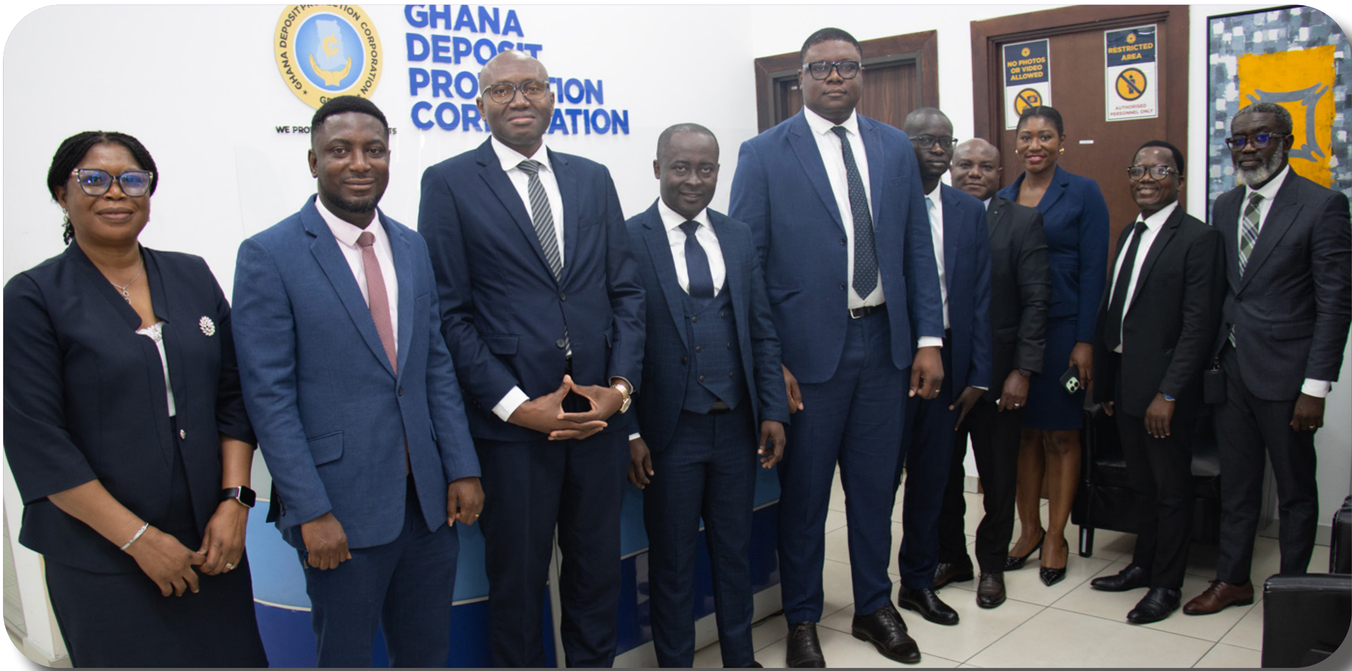
b. High-Level Engagement with Ghana Deposit Protection Corporation

In furtherance of regional cooperation and capacity building, DIC undertook a high-level learning visit to the Ghana Deposit Protection Corporation from 25 to 29 May 2026. The visit involved executive management from the Ministry of Finance and the Reserve Bank of Malawi as well as the DIC board leadership.

The visit focused on strengthening institutional capacity through the exchange of experiences and best practices in deposit insurance operations. Particular emphasis was placed on the collaboration and coordination among financial safety-net players in safeguarding financial system stability.

The visit reinforced the importance of strong inter-agency cooperation and effective governance structures in supporting a resilient financial safety net.

Ghana Deposit Protection Corporation (GDPC)



The FGDR-UMOA delegation with GDPC's Management Team

GDPC Hosts FGDR-UMOA Delegation

To strengthen collaboration and promote knowledge sharing within the deposit insurance community, the Ghana Deposit Protection Corporation (GDPC) hosted a three-member delegation from the Deposit Insurance and Resolution Fund in the West African Monetary Union (FGDR-UMOA) on a study visit from 8th to 12th June 2026.

The delegation, led by FGDR-UMOA Deputy Director, Dr. Ahmed Racine Yago, included the Head of Internal Audit and the Head of Information Systems. The visit was aimed at facilitating the exchange of knowledge and experiences while fostering stronger institutional cooperation between the two deposit insurance institutions.

GDP Amendment Bill Passed

The GDP (Amendment) Bill, 2025 was passed in March 2026, expanding GDPC's mandate to include:

- ◊ To fund other resolution options as determined by the Bank of Ghana (BoG)
- ◊ Function as a receiver if appointed by BoG.
- ◊ Board authority to review coverage limits.
- ◊ Provisions for emergency funding and fiscal backstop
- ◊ Coverage of electronic money
- ◊ Extension of Board tenure from three to four years
- ◊ Power to issue directives.

A roadmap for implementation is under development.

GDPC hosts DIC Malawi delegation

GDPC hosted a top executive delegation from Malawi in May 2026 and shared Ghana's experience in establishing its deposit insurance scheme, focusing on

DIC Malawi delegation with the GDPC Management Team

collaboration with safety net partners such as Bank of Ghana and Ministry of Finance, financial stability, policy implementation, and information sharing.

Capacity Building on fundamentals of DIS

Two GDPC staff participated in a five-day training programme on the fundamentals of Deposit Insurance Systems (DIS) organized by the Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation (NDIC) in May 2026. Participants learned a wide variety of topics including the IADI Core Principles for Effective DIS, Comparative Analysis of DIS Worldwide, Prompt Depositor Reimbursement, Legal Framework of DIS,and Public Awareness for DIS in Nigeria.

Exclusion Analysis and Premium Assessment:

Within the first quarter of 2026, a comprehensive exclusion analysis was conducted across all member institutions, with emphasis on banks, as a basis for premium assessment. Following this, premiums were assessed and duly levied on the respective institutions for the period.

Training on Bank Closure Simulation

Three GDPC staff participated in the Bank Closure Simulation Training Programme organised by the Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation (NDIC) Academy in Abuja, Nigeria, from 11th to 15th May 2026.

Participants gained practical and technical knowledge on bank closure operations, receivership processes, claims management, information technology support, asset management, accounting procedures, and inter-agency coordination during the closing of failed banks. The training was particularly relevant to GDPC in view of the recent expansion of its mandate to support resolution methods and receivership processes in Ghana.

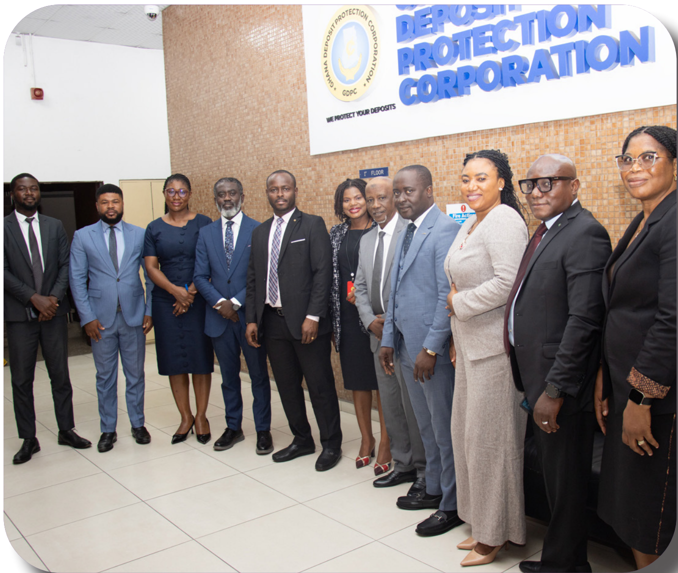
Left; The CEO of GDPC, Mr. Galahad Alex Andoh Esq., addressing media practitioners at the Media Orientation session; Right; Media editors and GDPC staff at the session.

Workshop with editors anbusiness reporters

To launch the Corporation's media engagement activities, the Corporation organized an orientation session on the Ghana Deposit Protection Scheme to key media practitioners, made up of media editors and business reporters. The orientation provided media practitioners with a thorough understanding of the deposit insurance scheme, ensuring their reporting on the scheme is accurate, consistent, and helps to maintain public confidence in the financial system.

Study Visit By WAMA delegation

A two-member delegation from the West African Monetary Agency (WAMA) embarked on a three-day fact-finding mission at the Ghana Deposit Protection Corporation (GDPC) in April 2026. This high-level engagement was designed as a knowledge-sharing platform to exchange practical insights and foster deeper collaboration among deposit insurers across the sub-region. The study visit also provided an avenue for the WAMA Team to explore the possibility, importance and implications of establishing a central deposit protection institution for Anglophone West Africa.



Officials from WAMA, Bank of Ghana and GDPC

The Deposit Guarantee Fund of Angola

Strengthening Deposit Insurance Capacity and Financial Safety Net Coordination

Recent initiatives involving the Deposit Guarantee Fund (FGD) have focused on strengthening operational arrangements, enhancing coordination within the financial safety net and supporting the continued evolution of Angola's deposit insurance framework. These efforts span technological modernization, participation in resolution planning initiatives, engagement with international technical assistance programmes and the integration of newly licensed institutions into the deposit insurance system.

Together, these activities contribute to strengthening institutional preparedness, improving coordination among safety net participants and supporting alignment with evolving international practices.

Development of the Technological Solution for the Integrated Management System

Following the 2025 business and technology assessment conducted in partnership with Digisystem, the development phase of FGD's Integrated Management System was officially launched on 11 May 2026. This milestone marks the transition from diagnostic and planning activities to implementation, with a focus on embedding operational improvements across key institutional processes.
The new integrated management system is being designed to support core functions such as census management, contribution management, financial reconciliation, payments and systems integration. The objective is to consolidate processes, business rules and technical requirements within a single framework, enhancing consistency, traceability and decision-making.

From a technical perspective, the solution is being developed to support scalability, flexibility and operational resilience. This approach is expected to facilitate adaptation to evolving regulatory and operational requirements while maintaining appropriate standards of performance, data integrity and security.

Beyond process automation, the initiative is expected to strengthen operational readiness and support the progressive development of capabilities associated with modern deposit insurance systems. By improving data quality, integration, traceability and reporting, the system will provide a stronger foundation for risk monitoring, depositor information management and future reimbursement processes, in compliance with international practices and IADI Core Principles.

Participation in the Development of the Bank Resolution Framework

Within the development of the Banking Resolution Framework led by the National Bank of Angola (BNA), and in alignment with FSAP recommendations, FGD has been participating in a series of technical sessions promoted by the regulator. Conducted throughout May and June in close collaboration with the Bank of Portugal (BdP), these sessions facilitate the exchange of international experience and the adoption of good practices in bank resolution and financial safety net frameworks.

The initiative brings together key institutions involved in safeguarding financial stability and provides a forum for discussing cross-cutting issues relevant to crisis preparedness and resolution planning.

Participation in these discussions has contributed to strengthening technical knowledge, enhancing institutional coordination and promoting greater consistency among authorities responsible for financial stability, bank resolution and depositor protection.

For deposit insurers, effective bank resolution frameworks are essential to ensuring that depositor protection mechanisms can operate in a predictable and coordinated manner during periods of financial distress. Participation in these discussions contributes not only to institutional learning, but also to strengthening the overall effectiveness of the financial safety net.

Preparatory Meetings for the IMF Technical Assistance Mission

Within the framework of the national financial safety net and the State's mandate to safeguard financial stability, the Deposit Guarantee Fund and the Ministry of Finance have been conducting preparatory and coordination meetings aimed at strengthening formal and operational mechanisms for inter-institutional cooperation.

Particular attention has been given to the design and formalization of arrangements related to exceptional state support mechanisms for deposit reimbursement and banking crisis management. Given the strategic importance of this work, technical assistance was requested from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to support the development of an institutional, financial and legal framework aligned with international good practices.

Preparatory activities have also contributed to identifying key challenges and prioritising areas requiring further development across operational, legal, financial and institutional dimensions.
The initiative reflects the growing recognition that effective deposit insurance systems require not only adequate ex-ante funding arrangements, but also credible contingency mechanisms capable of supporting depositor reimbursement and crisis management in exceptional circumstances. The work underway is expected to contribute to the long-term resilience of the financial safety net and to a clearer framework for cooperation among relevant public institutions.

Meeting with the Executive Committee of African Bank of Oman (ABO) within the Deposit Insurance System Onboarding Process

As part of the integration of newly licensed institutions into the national Deposit Insurance System, FGD held a technical meeting with the Executive Committee of African Bank of Oman (ABO) following the commencement of its operations in Angola.

The meeting formed part of a structured onboarding process designed to facilitate the institution's integration into the Deposit Insurance System and to promote a clear understanding of its regulatory, operational and reporting obligations.

Topics addressed included contribution

mechanisms, depositor protection arrangements, reporting requirements, information flows, data submission standards and operational coordination procedures. The discussion also provided an opportunity to clarify expectations and strengthen communication channels between the two institutions.

The onboarding process also provides an opportunity to strengthen awareness of deposit insurance requirements from the outset of a bank's operations. Early engagement and clear communication of operational expectations contribute to greater consistency and preparedness across the deposit insurance system.

Conclusion

While addressing different aspects of the financial safety net, these initiatives share a common objective: supporting the continued development of Angola's deposit insurance framework and strengthening institutional arrangements relevant to depositor protection and financial stability.

The combination of technological modernization, participation in resolution planning, engagement with international technical assistance and structured onboarding of new member institutions contributes to greater preparedness, improved coordination and closer alignment with evolving international practices

Kenya Deposit Insurance Corporation

Regional Financial Regulators Champion Stronger Banking Sector

Regional efforts to strengthen the resilience of the East African banking sector received a boost, when the Kenya Deposit Insurance Corporation joined financial sector regulators at the East African Community (EAC) Monetary Affairs Committee (MAC) Bank Supervision and Financial Stability Sub-Committee held a high-level consultative forum early this year.

The forum focused on deepening cross-border cooperation to address emerging risks in an increasingly interconnected financial landscape. Consequently, the meeting reviewed and updated the convergence criteria for bank supervision and financial stability, laying the groundwork for greater regulatory harmonisation among EAC Partner States.

During the forum, the stakeholders also prioritised measures aimed at improving the region's readiness to handle financial shocks. In their deliberations, participants endorsed closer collaboration through joint crisis preparedness exercises and enhanced information sharing between central banks and deposit insurance agencies. The efforts are geared towards supporting faster and more coordinated responses during periods of financial distress.

Another key milestone recorded following the meeting, was the advancement of discussions on a regional framework for resolving financial conglomerates. The proposed framework is expected to strengthen the management of complex cross-border financial institutions while minimising systemic risks.

Kenya Deposit Insurance Corporation's (KDIC's) participation underscored it's continued commitment to regional integration and the development of robust financial safety nets.

Positioning for the future……Kenya's Cabinet Sec. National Treasury and Economic Planning FCPA Hon. John Mbadi, EGH, (4th Right) poses for a group photo with a host of Government officials among them, Dr. Kamau Thugge, C.B.S, (4th Left) Central Bank Governor, Permanent Secretary for MSMEs Hon. Susan Mang'eni (2nd Right) and Mrs. Hellen Chepkwony, CEO, KDIC.

KDIC Advances Key Reforms Through Strategic Stakeholder Engagement

The KDIC has intensified stakeholder engagement efforts as it advances key policy and regulatory reforms aimed at strengthening Kenya's financial safety net and enhancing depositor protection.

In a series of high-level consultative meetings, KDIC engaged the National Treasury, the State Law Office, the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), and member institutions on the Draft Kenya Deposit Insurance Regulations, 2026. The consultations provided an opportunity for stakeholders to review the proposed framework and offer feedback to ensure the regulations are robust, practical, and fully compliant with the Constitution of Kenya and other legal requirements.

The Corporation also held discussions with the National Treasury and the State Law Office on the Draft Kenya Deposit Insurance (Trust Accounts) Guidelines, 2026. The proposed guidelines are expected to strengthen the management and protection of trust account deposits while aligning the deposit insurance framework with international best practices. The engagement process is intended to facilitate the approval and implementation of the revised guidelines.

In addition, KDIC continued consultations on the Coverage Limit Review 2026, a critical initiative designed to ensure that deposit insurance coverage remains responsive to the evolving financial sector landscape and the needs of depositors. The review seeks to align the existing framework with global standards while ensuring compliance with the Kenya Deposit Insurance Act and the Constitution.

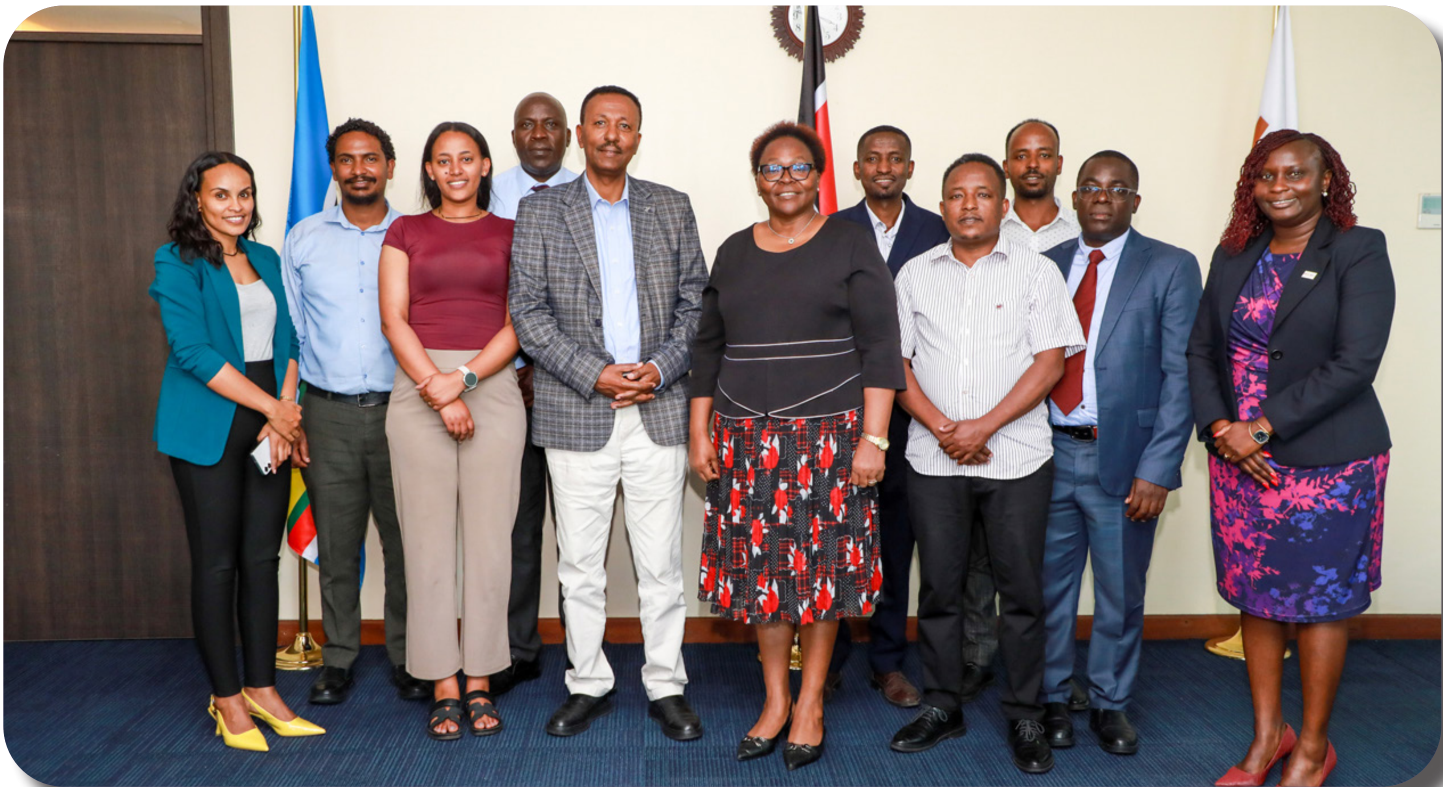
By working closely with government agencies, regulators, and member institutions, the Corporation aims to build a stronger and more resilient deposit insurance system that safeguards public confidence in the banking sector. The ongoing consultations mark another important step in KDIC's mission of promoting financial system stability and protecting depositors through effective regulation and sound governance.

KDIC Hosts EDIF, Strengthens Regional Cooperation

The KDIC has reaffirmed its commitment to strengthening financial stability across Africa during a five-day technical exchange programme with Ethiopia Deposit Insurance Fund (EDIF).

The engagement brought together technical experts from the two institutions aimed at sharing practical experiences and emerging approaches in the management of deposit insurance systems. The programme focused on enhancing institutional capacity and promoting collaboration among African financial safety-net players.

During the exchange, the EDIF delegation gained insights into risk minimization strategies, bank resolution mechanisms, public awareness initiatives, and crisis



Looking ahead..... KDIC's CEO Mrs. Hellen Chepkwony is flanked by a section of the Corporation's Senior Management and EDIF delegation during their visit to KDIC.

preparedness frameworks that support the protection of depositors and the stability of the banking sector.

Discussions also explored the revised Core Principles for Effective Deposit Insurance Systems, providing an opportunity to align practices with internationally recognised standards and strengthen the effectiveness of deposit insurance operations.

The initiative highlights the growing importance of regional partnerships in building resilient financial institutions capable of responding to an evolving banking landscape. By sharing expertise and practical knowledge, KDIC continues to contribute to the development of robust deposit insurance systems and the promotion of public confidence in the financial sector across the region.

Efforts to Safeguard Financial Stability Gathers Pace as KDIC Tests Crisis Response Framework

The KDIC has taken another bold step in strengthening the resilience of Kenya's financial sector by successfully conducting a Corporation-wide crisis simulation exercise, 2026

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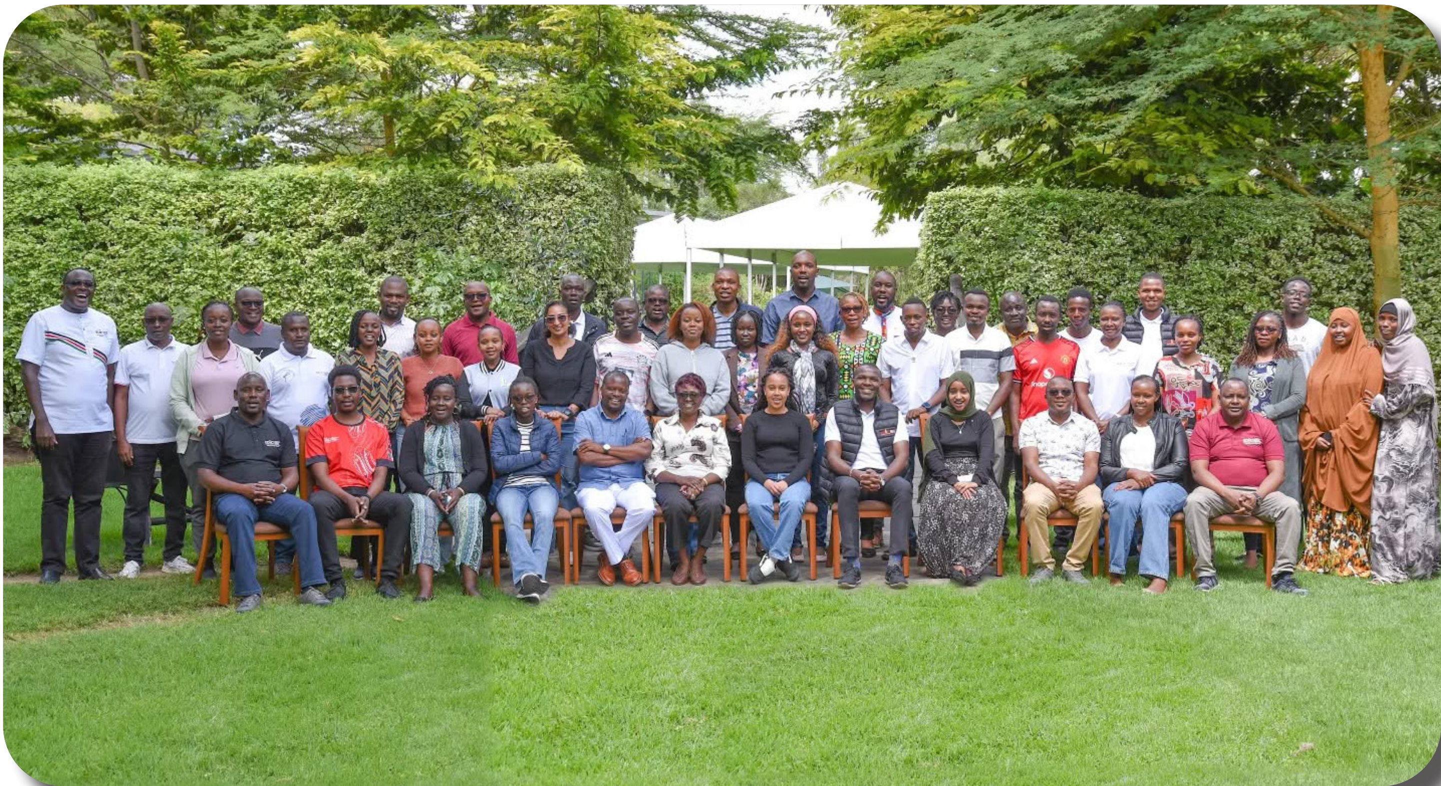
The exercise, undertaken in line with the Revised International Association of Deposit Insurers (IADI) Core Principle on Crisis Preparedness and Management, brought together staff from across the Corporation.

Using a realistic scenario involving a troubled member institution, participants applied various bank resolution tools to assess the effectiveness of existing strategies and enhance their practical understanding of available intervention options in the unlikely event of bank failure.



Preparing for tomorrow today.....A section of KDIC staff pose for a group photo during the training organized by the Directorate of Bank Resolution

The simulation exercise also included a payout session designed to evaluate KDIC's ability to reimburse protected depositors within the prescribed timelines, a critical function in maintaining public confidence during times of financial uncertainty.

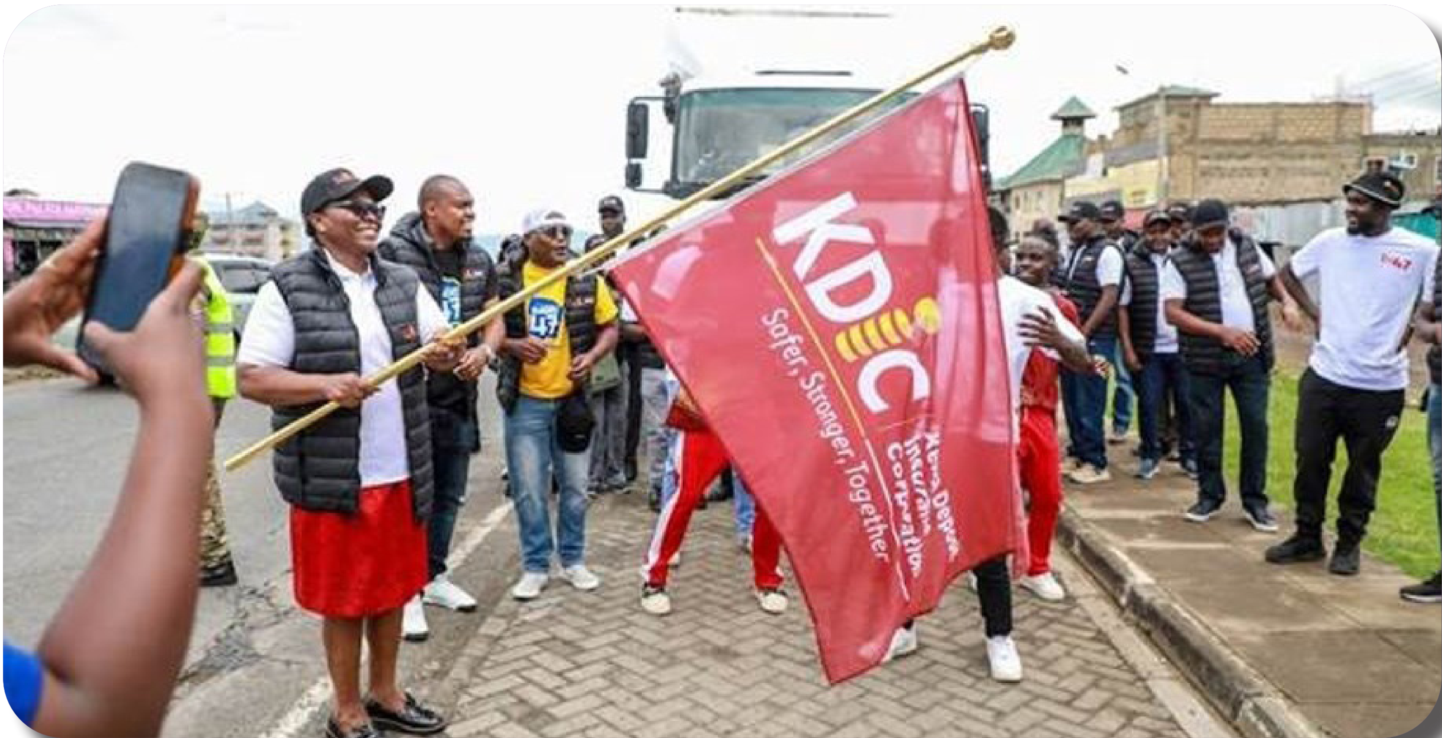
Beyond testing systems and procedures, the exercise served as a valuable learning platform, enabling the Corporation to identify legal and operational gaps that could potentially affect crisis response in the unfortunate event. The lessons drawn will inform continuous improvements to KDIC's preparedness framework and strengthen its capacity to act swiftly and effectively when needed.

The initiative supports KDIC's Strategic Plan under the Key Result Area on Resolution of Problem Banks as outlined in its current Strategic Plan. It further reinforces the Corporation's commitment to protecting depositors, promoting financial stability and ensuring the banking sector remains resilient in the face of emerging risks.

KDIC Takes Deposit Insurance Awareness to the Grassroots

The KDIC has intensified its public awareness campaigns with a county-wide outreach programme in various parts of the country, aimed at improving public understanding of deposit protection and strengthening confidence in the banking sector.

The campaign, conducted in partnership with two leading media partners, combined a roadshow with market activations as well as public townhall meetings, creating multiple platforms for direct engagement with depositors.



Spreading the word……CEO Mrs. Chepkwony is all smiles as she flags off the Corporation's public awareness campaign targeting various regions in the country.

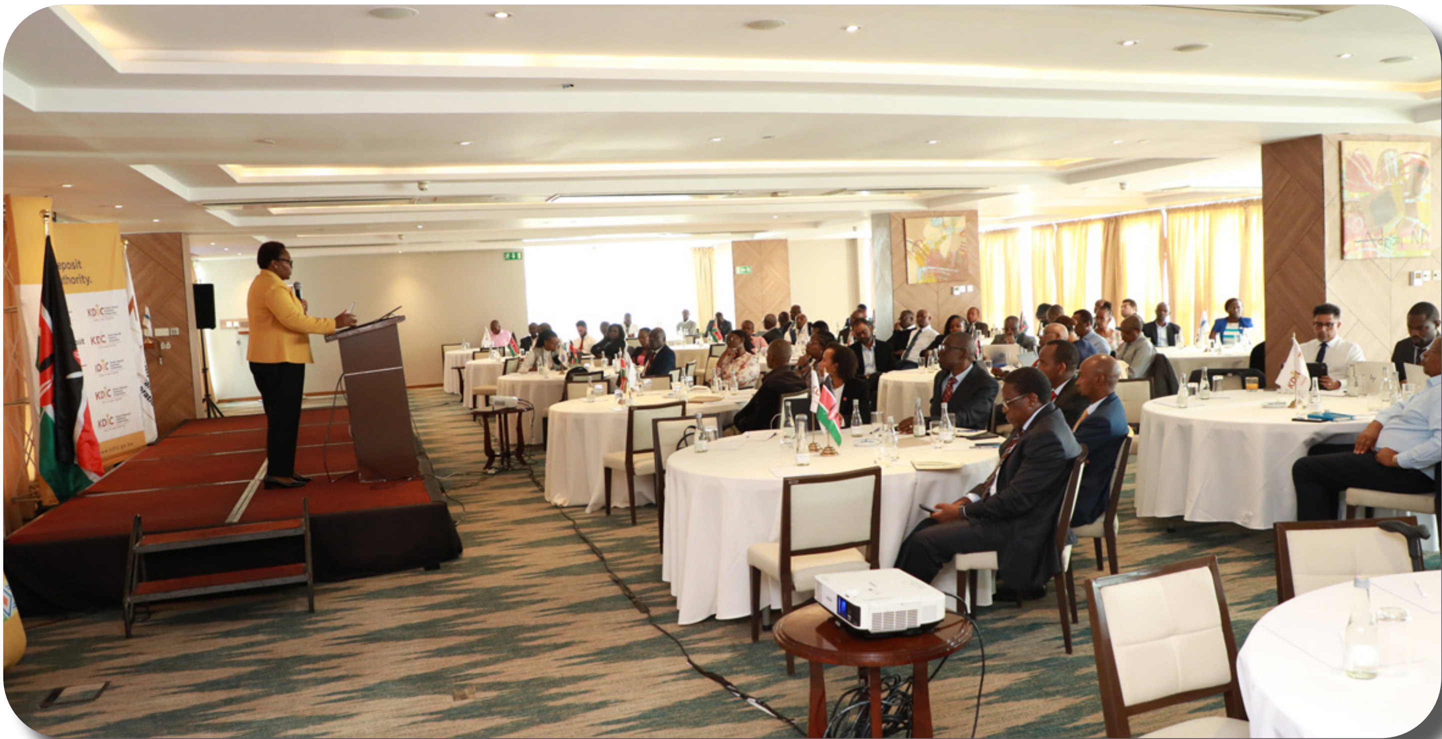
The initiative was flagged off by KDIC Chief Executive Officer Mrs. Hellen Chepkwony. KDIC teams engaged traders, entrepreneurs and members of the public, responding to questions and providing information on the Corporation's mandate.

The theme of the campaign was, "Your Money is Safe in the Bank". Members of the public were also sensitized on the process of recovering funds from banks under liquidation, an issue of particular interest to the areas covered where some failed institutions previously had a presence.

The outreach concluded with Townhall Meetings in respective towns, where students, business owners, civil society organisations and members of the public engaged KDIC officials on deposit insurance, the evolving regulatory framework and the adequacy of the current coverage limit. The forum also provided an opportunity for the Corporation to receive public feedback and address concerns directly.

By combining media partnerships with face-to-face engagements, the Corporation is expanding awareness of the financial safety net that protects depositors and contributes to confidence in Kenya's banking system.

Banking Sector Backs Continued Dialogue on KDIC's Risk-Based Premium Framework



Strenghening collaboration……CEO Mrs. Chepkwony delivers her remarks during the meeting.

Banking Sector Backs Continued Dialogue on KDIC's Risk-Based Premium Framework

The KDIC has stepped up engagement with the banking industry as it advances reforms aimed at strengthening Kenya's financial safety net through a more risk-sensitive deposit insurance system.

During a high-level Stakeholder Engagement Forum held in March this year, KDIC brought together Chief Executive Officers and senior management representatives from member institutions to discuss Differential Premium System (DPS), a framework that determines deposit insurance premiums based on the risk profile of individual institutions.The meeting formed part of the ongoing public participation process on the proposed Kenya Deposit Insurance Regulations, 2026. It provided an opportunity for industry players to review the DPS model and contribute to the refinement of the draft regulations.

Opening the forum, KDIC Chief Executive Officer Mrs. Hellen Chepkwony called for greater collaboration in safeguarding the stability of the financial sector. She noted that deposit insurance was a shared responsibility that protects both depositors and the wider banking system.

Mrs Chepkwony added that the Differential Premium System had introduced greater transparency and consistency in the assessment of member institutions, by applying a clear risk categorisation framework and a risk-adjusted premium calculation methodology. The shift to a risk-based premium model marks a significant milestone in the evolution of Kenya's deposit insurance framework. Unlike the previous flat-rate system, the DPS aligns each institution's contribution to the Deposit Insurance Fund (DIF) with its individual level of risk, reflecting internationally accepted best practices in deposit insurance.

KDIC developed the model following years of research and extensive consultations with stakeholders across the financial sector. After its formal introduction in March 2021, the framework was implemented in July 2021 and has since undergone continuous review through a series of stakeholder engagements. The latest forum builds on discussions held between 2021 and 2025, reinforcing KDIC's commitment to an inclusive and consultative policy development process.

The forum also attracted participation from the CBK, the Kenya Bankers Association (KBA) and the Association of Microfinance Institutions of Kenya (AMFI Kenya). Representatives from the three institutions reaffirmed the importance of partnership and continuous dialogue in strengthening the resilience of Kenya's financial sector.

The engagement reflects KDIC's broader objective of building a robust and responsive deposit insurance system that not only protects depositors but also promotes prudent risk management and contributes to the long-term stability of the country's banking industry.

The future stability of Kenya's financial

KDIC Calls for Stronger Governance to Protect Depositors, Build Resilient Financial Systems

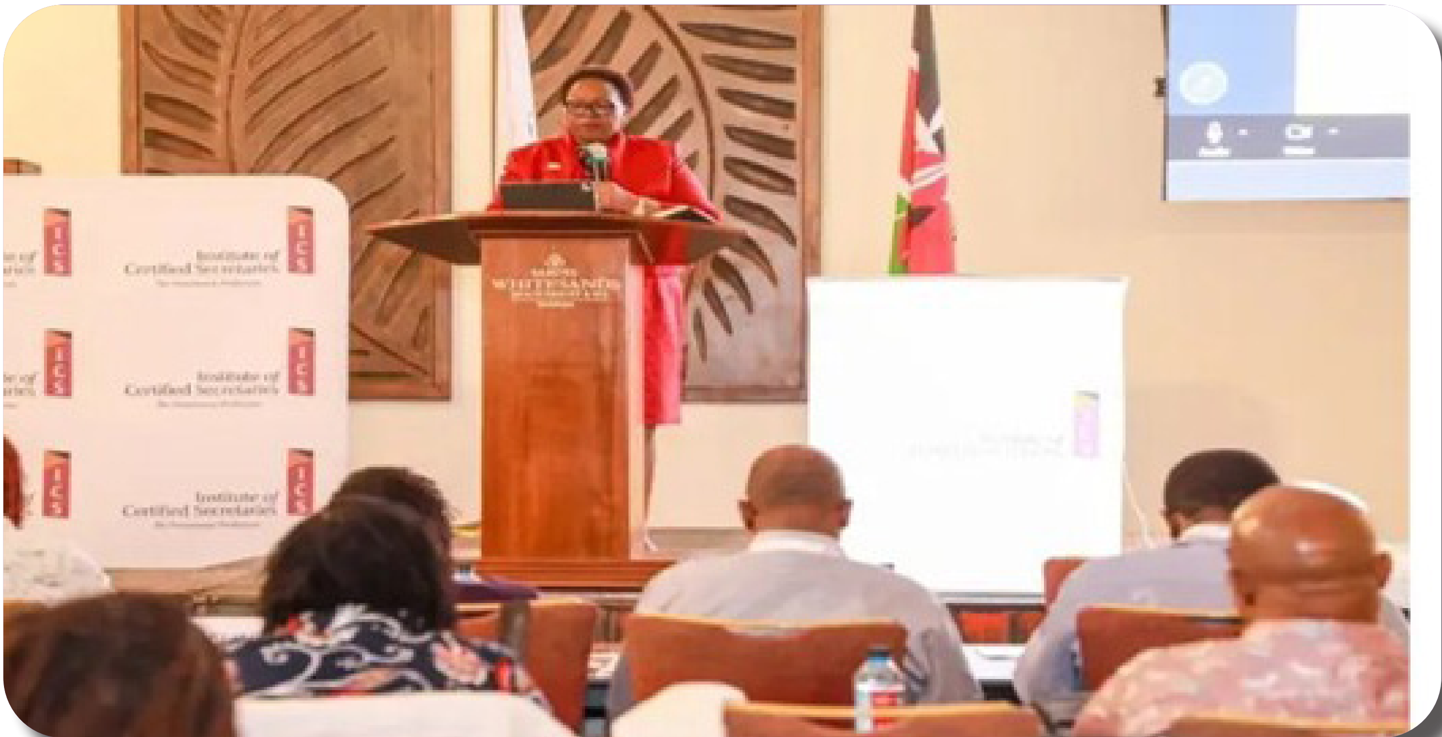
sector depends on strong governance, effective bank resolution, and robust depositor protection mechanisms.

In her keynote address to participants during the 30th Annual International Conference of the Institute of Certified Secretaries (ICS), Mrs. Hellen Chepkwony, KDIC Chief Executive Officer, emphasized that well-governed financial institutions are better placed to manage risks, withstand economic shocks, and protect the interests of depositors. She noted that strong governance frameworks not only enhance institutional resilience but also reinforce public confidence in the banking sector.

The conference, a premier gathering of governance professionals and leaders from the public and private sectors, provided a platform for discussions on strengthening institutions and promoting accountability to support sustainable economic growth.
KDIC's participation was led by Board Chairperson Mrs. Hannah W. Muriithi, EBS, alongside Board Members Joseph Ng'etich and Paul Orem, demonstrating the Corporation's commitment to advancing good governance as a foundation for financial system stability.

Mrs. Chepkwony further underscored the critical role of effective bank resolution and depositor protection systems in maintaining financial stability and supporting resilient economies.

KDIC further reaffirmed its core mandate of protecting depositors and contributing to the stability of Kenya's financial system through sound resolution mechanisms and deposit insurance.
Beyond the conference, the Corporation committed to a continued engagement with



CEO Mrs. Chepkwony delivers her keynote address as participants follow proceedings at the event.

the public aimed at enhancing awareness of deposit insurance and the safeguards available to depositors. The initiative is aimed at ensuring that more Kenyans understand how their money is protected and the role depositor protection plays in strengthening confidence in the financial sector.

KDIC Moves to Fast-Track Depositor Compensation Through New Customer Data Framework

The KDIC has unveiled a major initiative aimed at transforming how depositors are compensated when banks fail, with the development of a Single Customer View (SCV) framework designed to streamline access to customer information and accelerate payouts.

The framework, a key pillar of KDIC's 2023–2028 Strategic Plan, seeks to enhance depositor protection by consolidating customer records into a single, accurate and comprehensive data source. A technical working group comprising representatives from member banks, the Kenya Bankers Association and KDIC recently completed a five-day workshop to develop the framework and its implementation tools.

Among the outputs are standardized data templates, reporting guidelines, stakeholder mapping, a revised work plan and a risk management framework. The initiative addresses persistent challenges in depositor reimbursement, including fragmented customer records, data quality concerns and legacy banking systems.

KDIC will now engage financial institutions and other stakeholders to

Talking technology..... KDIC's Deputy Director, ICT Kennedy Yegon makes his presentation during one of the previous sessions with stakeholders.

support implementation, data clean-up and capacity building. The framework will strengthen public confidence in the banking sector while improving its ability to deliver timely and accurate compensation to insured depositors.

Kenya Launches Drive to Safeguard E-Money Deposits Amid Rapid Digital Finance Growth

Kenya's deposit protection agency unveiled a technical working group to develop a framework for protecting e-money deposits, responding to growing risks and regulatory gaps created by the rapid expansion of mobile money services.

The initiative brings together 21 representatives from regulators, e-money issuers and banks to review existing protections, identify weaknesses and propose measures to safeguard digital depositors, particularly vulnerable users. The current regulatory arrangements do not adequately address issues such as trust accounts, depositor identification, data availability and resolution mechanisms involving mobile network operators.

The task force, established on August 26, 2025, is expected by end of June 2026, to produce a draft e-money protection framework.

Deposit Protection Corporation, Zimbabwe

Strengthening Fund Resilience and Financial Stability

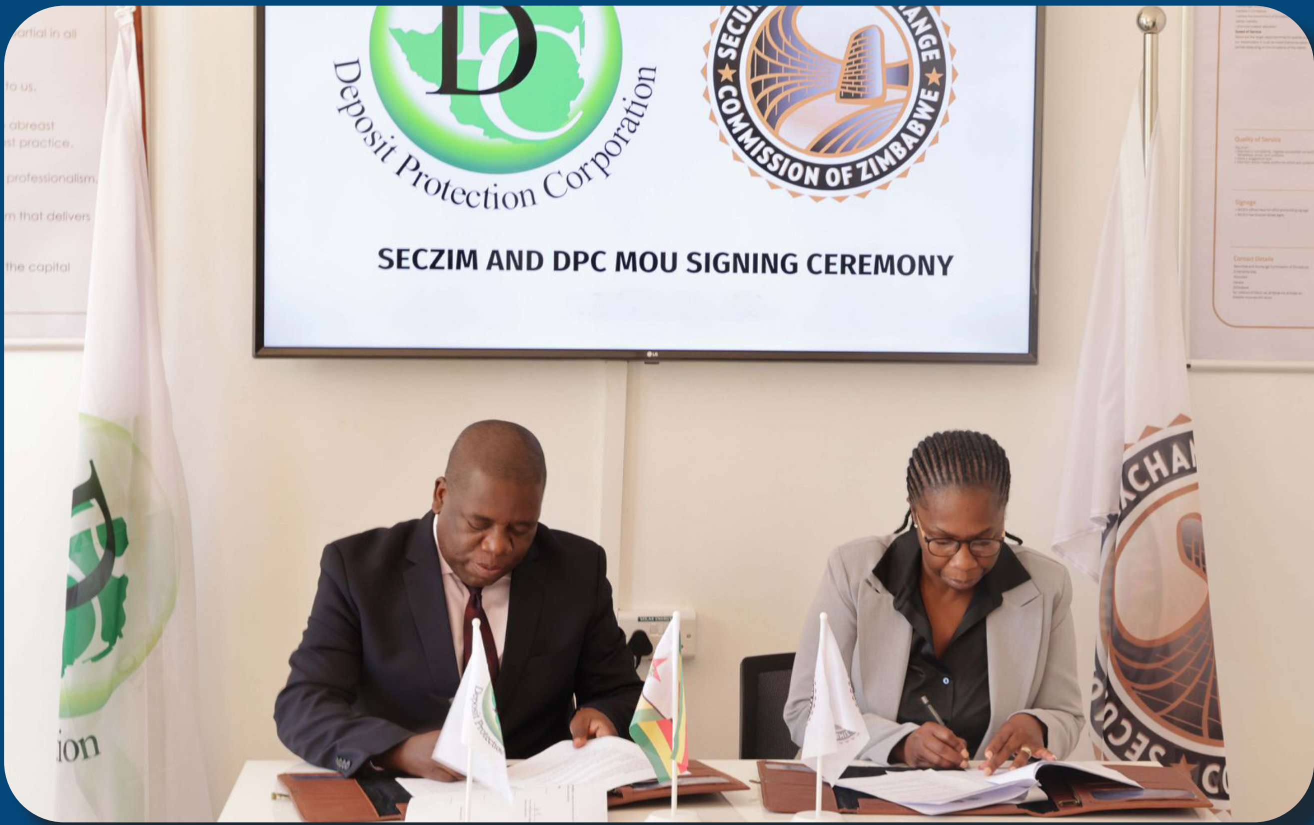
The Deposit Protection Corporation Zimbabwe (DPCZ) continued to strengthen the resilience of Zimbabwe's Deposit Protection Fund through an aggressive fund growth strategy. Despite a challenging operating environment characterised by currency reforms and exchange rate volatility, the Fund grew from USD5.7 million in 2022 to USD38.16 million by March 2026, representing a 33% increase during the first quarter of FY2026 alone.

The Corporation remains on course to achieve its long-term strategic objective of building a robust fund capable of enhancing depositor confidence and supporting financial system stability. Current projections indicate that the Fund will reach approximately USD48 million by year-end and exceed USD100 million by 2030 through a diversified investment portfolio comprising equities, money market instruments, real estate investment trusts and property investments.

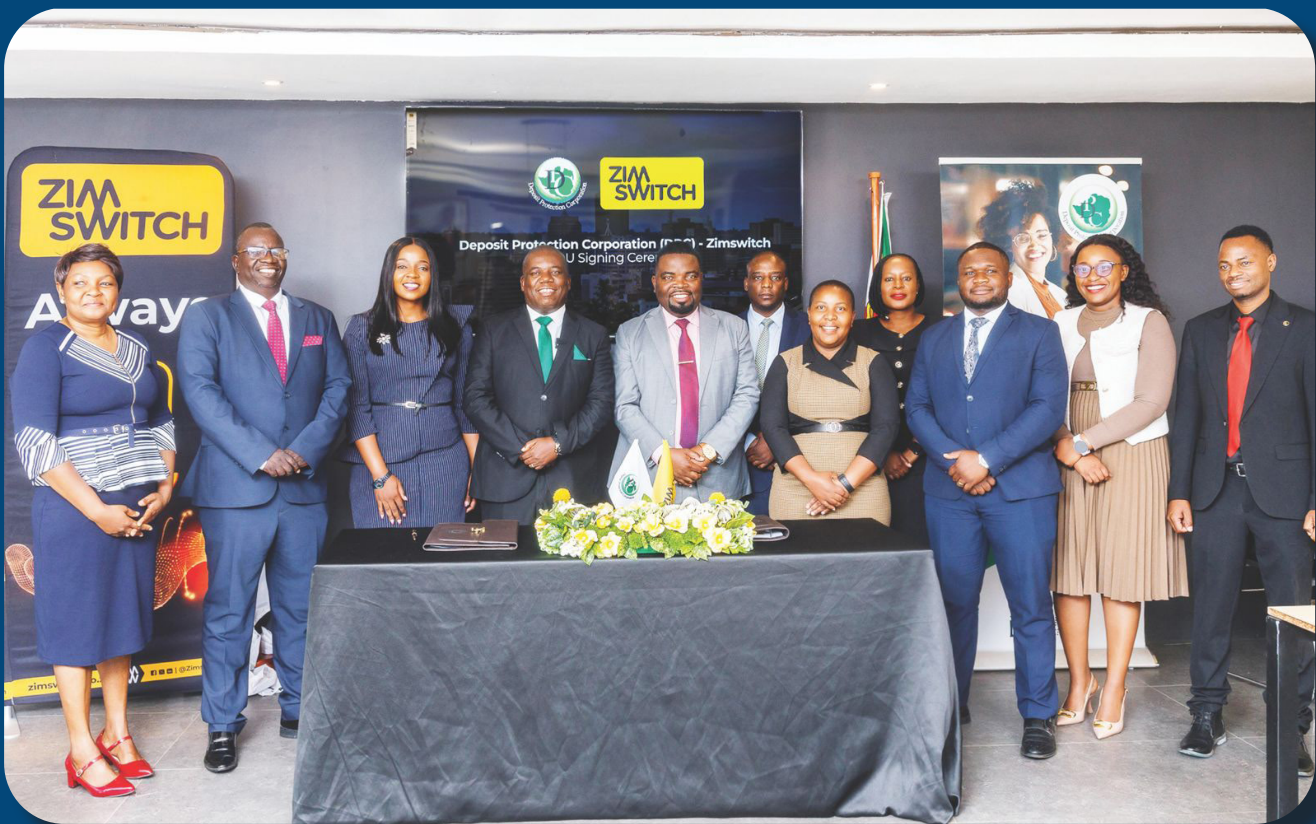
Enhancing Financial Safety-Net Cooperation and Regional Collaboration

DPCZ continued to strengthen cooperation within Zimbabwe's financial safety-net architecture and across the African region. The Corporation signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Securities and Exchange Commission of Zimbabwe (SECZim) to enhance regulatory coordination, information sharing, crisis preparedness, consumer protection and financial stability.

In addition, DPCZ also entered into a strategic partnership with Zimswitch Technologies to promote secure digital financial services and advance financial inclusion through innovation and collaboration.



Deposit Protection Corporation Zimbabwe CEO Mr. Hopewell Zinyau signs MoU with Securities and Exchange Commission of Zimbabwe Acting CEO, Mrs Grace Berejena.



Deposit Protection Corporation Zimbabwe and Zimswitch teams after signing an MoU to strengthen collaboration in advancing financial inclusion, digital financial services, consumer confidence, and financial sector stability in Zimbabwe.

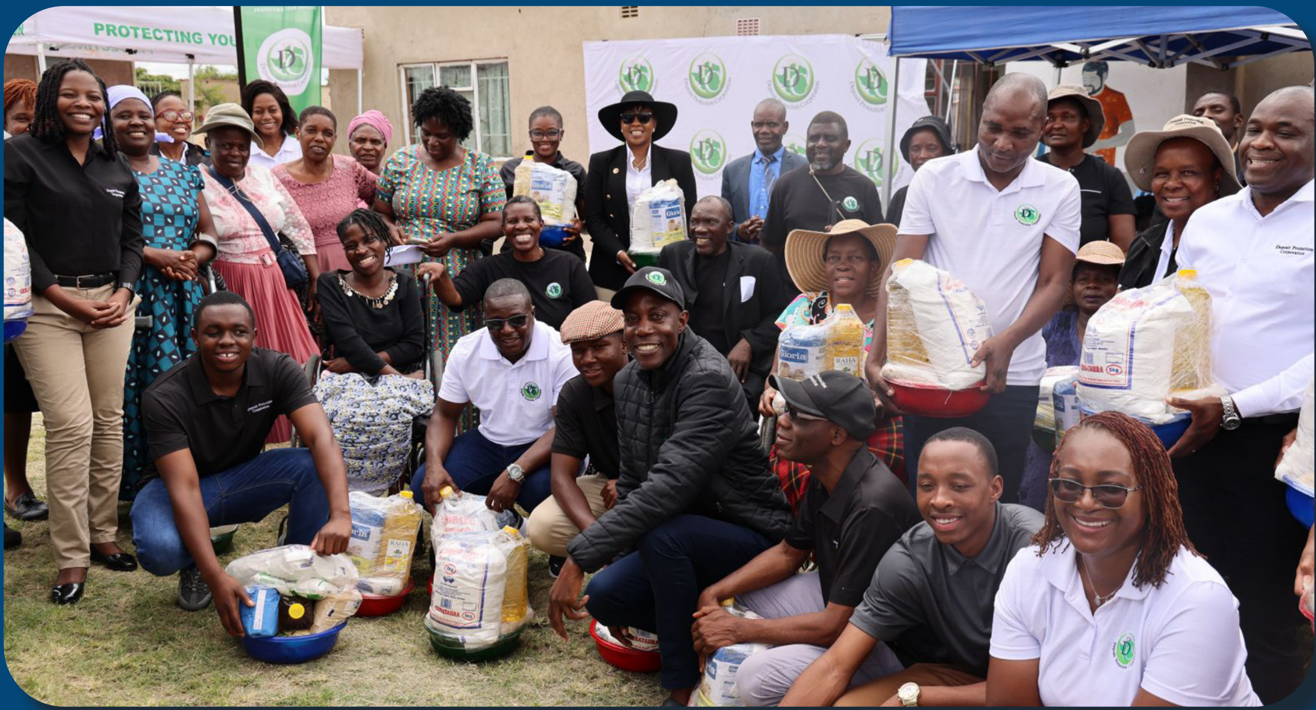
DPCZ reaching out to primary and secondary schools in urban and rural areas during the Global Money Week campaign

Scaling Up Public Awareness and Financial Inclusion

DPCZ significantly expanded its public awareness and financial literacy initiatives through targeted engagements with communities, youth, SMEs and other stakeholders. The Corporation participated in major national platforms including the SMEs International Expo, Global Money Week, the Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe Financial Inclusion Conference, Zimbabwe International Trade Fair (ZITF), the National Youth Empowerment Symposium and the ZBC Radio Services Mega Tour countrywide roadshows.

The Corporation also conducted public lectures at Bulawayo Polytechnic College, Gwanda State University and Lupane State University, reaching students and future financial sector professionals with information on deposit protection, financial literacy and banking sector confidence. These initiatives complemented DPC's broader stakeholder engagement efforts, including the Strategic Planning and Stakeholder Engagement Workshop that brought together regulators, government agencies, consumer groups, SMEs, civil society organisations and representatives of persons with disabilities to contribute towards the Corporation's future strategic direction.

Public awareness roadshows in collaboration with other safety-net players



DPCZ strengthening community relations and visibility through donations and tree planting initiatives with the less privileged

Corporate Social Responsibility and ESG Initiatives

DPCZ continued to integrate environmental, social and governance (ESG) principles into its operations through various community-based initiatives. These included sponsoring the Great Zimbabwe Marathon, hosting the Annual Tree Planting Day at Mushawedu Housing Cooperative, supporting persons with disabilities through hamper donation programmes, and conducting monthly clean-up campaigns aimed at promoting environmental sustainability.

The Corporation also prioritised staff wellbeing through health awareness initiatives, including a Men's Wellness Programme focusing on mental health and prostate cancer awareness. These activities demonstrate DPCZ's commitment to sustainable development, social inclusion and responsible corporate citizenship.

Consumer Protection and Stakeholder Engagement

As part of its mandate to safeguard depositors and promote confidence in the financial system, DPCZ actively participated in the inaugural Consumer Protection Commission of Zimbabwe Annual Consumer Conference, where it highlighted the role of deposit insurance in protecting banking consumers and maintaining financial stability.

The Corporation also participated in national events and exhibitions that provided opportunities to engage directly with the public, strengthen consumer awareness and reinforce confidence in Zimbabwe's financial sector.

UPCOMING EVENTS

IADI Programmes

1. 20 – 23 July, 2026: Africa regional committee workshop - Abuja, Nigeria

2. 9 – 11 September, 2026: 10th Americas Deposit Insurance Forum - San Jose, Costa Rica

3. 26 – 30 October, 2026: IADI 25th Annual General Meeting and Conference - Berlin, Germany

4. 1 – 3 Dec 2026: IADI FSI FSB Conference-Basel, Switzerland

Other Programmes

1. 15 – 18 September, 2026: Global Training Program (GTP), hosted by Korea Deposit Insurance Corporation (KDIC) – Chungju, South Korea.

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Quote of the season:

"Not everything that can be counted counts, and not everything that counts can be counted." –Albert Einstein

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