

USSIA Carries Out Youth BDS/ Entrepreneurship Training in Bushenyi Under the Pride Youth Inclusion Program n a bid to empower Youth Entrepreneurs in Uganda, the USSIA Business Development team implemented a 5-day training last week under the Pride Micro Finance's Youth Inclusion Program in Ishaka – Bushenyi. This is a bid to promote Youth entrepreneurship as well as enable employment creation among the youths in the South Western Region.

The one-week training took place from the 28th November to 02nd December 2022 in Bushenyi District at the Deacon's Hotel in Bushenyi town where fifty-two (52) youths from various zones in South Western Uganda benefitted in the training. Some of the regions where the training participants were from included Ishaka, Isingiro, Mbarara, Kitagata, Bushenyi, Kabwohe, Kikagati, Mitooma among others.

The Entrepreneurship and

Business Development Skills training focused on empowering the youths with Business Development and Financial Literacy skills during the fiveday training

The Youth Inclusion Program is supported by the European Investment Bank in partnership with Pride Micro Finance Bank and Uganda Small Scale Industries Association under the Pride Youth Inclusion Program which aims at building capacity of Youth entrepreneurs in Uganda.

The project will also help support and boost their businesses through helping them access affordable financial services and loans to help them scale up their business capacities through acquiring equipment and any other additional requirements that their businesses may require for expansion and growth.



USSIA Sector Meeting of The Energy Entrepreneurs in Rwenzori Region.

SSIA through the USSIA Kasese Zonal Office held an energy entrepreneurs sector meeting on the 30th of November 2022, as part of community mobilization strategy by USSIA aimed at identifying the Sector issues of the Energy Entrepreneurs as well as enlighten the entrepreneurs on the intended intervention and support programs being planned by Uganda Small Scale Industries Association.

The engagement meeting that was held in collaboration with Mnik Technical Services Ltd based in Kasese town council also deliberated on the capacity of clean energy technologies to promote employment creation and stimulate innovation which makes energy sector relevant to the Rwenzori region economy and the entire country.

The Rwenzori region is one of the regions in Uganda which has been affected by impacts of climate change such as floods, landslide and scientists recommend clean energy technologies such as suction smoke free stoves, solar energy, briquettes among others as part of the mitigation measures and USSIA has committed to support and walk this journey with the Rwenzori community.



USSIA Takes Part in The Private Sector Business Partner Meeting in Gulu The USSIA Northern Uganda Zonal team among other stakeholders in the Private Sector took part in a two-day the private sector business partner workshop meeting that was held in Gulu City from the 29th and 30th of November 2022.

meeting This organized was PRUDEV (Promoting by Rural Development) programme in Northern Uganda with support from GIZ and German corporation under the theme "Enhancing enabling local business productive capacities and performance." The PRUDEV intervention aims at strengthening capacities of public institutions, civil society and the private sector for promotion of climate smart agrobased local economic development.

The USSIA Gulu Zonal team was represented by the Gulu Regional Coordinator's team of Gulu and was tasked to discuss the challenges as well as the proposed interventions and solutions to creating enabling environment for LED. These included but were not limited to some of the proposed best practices, challenges, and lessons learned in the Private Sector in the region.



USSIA Takes Part in The Kampala Impact Day. The USSIA team was invited to take part in the Kampala Impact Day 2022 at Silver Springs Bugolobi under the theme, "Exploring Opportunities for collaboration towards building sustainable social impact."

The Kampala impact day is an annual business networking event celebrating impactful social enterprise organized by Einstein Rising in partnership with Enabel, UIA, Rena beverages, Embassy of Belgium among others.

The workshop was held on the 30th of November 2022 and a number of USSIA members attend the workshop as well as exhibited their products during the one-day workshop.







Youth Employment Taskforce Meeting held in Mukono.

The USSIA Greater Mukono regional office organized a youth employment task force meeting on the 30th of November 2022 that was held at the USSIA Mukono zonal office. The meeting was composed of district officials, Micro and Small industrialists (MSMIs), Employers, VTIs, and CSOs among others.

This is to support in getting employment opportunities for youths and addressing challenges that are faced within Mukono and Uganda.



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Uganda Technical College Kyema Holds 4th Graduation.

The Uganda Technical College at Kyema in Masindi District held the 4th graduation ceremony which at the college grounds on the 2nd of December 2022.

The graduation ceremony saw over 600 graduates with Diplomas and Certificates in Technical and Vocational were honored to host the Ministry of Education and Sports as the chief guest of the event.

As one of the key stakeholders in promoting Technical and Vocational Entrepreneurship, USSIA team was invited to be part of the graduation ceremony and was represented by the Regional Coordinator of Masindi Zonal and other members





Women Community Groups Meeting Held in Bwera -Bukono Zone in Kasese.

The USSIA Kasese Regional office organized an engagement meeting with women five community groups in Bwera on the 2nd of December 2022.

The engagement meeting involved women entrepreneurship groups that specialize in the use of bamboo to make bamboo furniture, bamboo kitchenware, and bamboo accessories under WWF funding and support.



Uganda Law Reform Commission Holds Consultative Meeting on The Industrial License Bill in Lira.

USSIA members were invited to take part in the Uganda law reform commission in a preliminary consultation meeting that involved some selected members of USSIA that are in production and manufacturing industries in the Lira district. The consultative meeting was held at the Gracious palace on the 28th of November 2022 with the main objective of identifying the current challenges being faced by the micro and small-scale industrialists during the acquiring industrial license.

The information is to help the Uganda Law Reform Commission in the review of the Industrial License Bill aimed at promoting a more favorable business environment and promote industrialization in Uganda

Upcoming Events

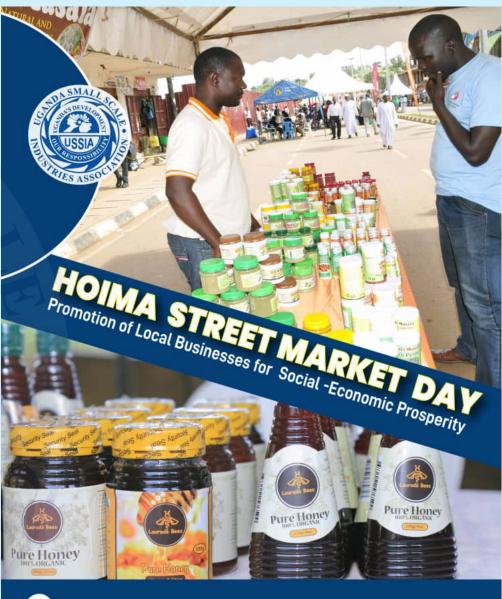


USSIA Street Market Day is to be held in Hoima City.

USSIA Hoima organized a street market day tradeshow from the 9th- 11th of December 2022 in Hoima City at the Byabachwezi old Toro Road.

The three-day Street Market Days campaign will be under the theme: **"Promotion of local Business for Social-Economic Prosperity".**

The USSIA members and other industrialists are highly encouraged to come and exhibit their products at the Trade show.





Byabachwezi -Old Toro Road

9TH - 11TH Dec 2022

To exhibit call: 0754 672347 0777 680024



USSIA Holiday Skills Training in Ice cream and Juice making.

Ice cream is a diary product which is sweetened with either natural sugar or artificial sweeteners. The growth of the ice cream business is driven by the availability of various flavored ice creams. The juice sector keeps growing day by day in Uganda.

Due to this, USSIA under the service delivery department has organized an ice cream training on the 17th of December 2022 at the USSIA building at a fee of 100,000 shillings only to equip holiday students, members, and the public on how to make different flavors of ice cream, for example, strawberry, Chocolate, vanilla and cocktails, and mocktails.

HOLIDAY SKILLS TRAINING IN Icoa Croam & **Juice Making** Vanilla, Strawberry, Chocolate SAT. 17. DEC . 2022 DATE: **USSIA BOARDROOM** Cocktail, Smoothies etc

🕒 9 AM - 4 PM

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USSIA Holiday Skills Training in Fashion and Design.

Due to current trends in furniture industry, pillow cases, cushions and table runners are commonly used to design living rooms and bedrooms.

Against the above background, USSIA has organized a training on how to make cushions, table runners and pillow cases to enable people cope up with the current trends especially in the festive seasons.

This training will take place from the 12th – 16th December 2022 at the USSIA building at a fee of 100,000 shillings only.





USSIA Holiday Skills Training in Bakery and Pizza Making.

The bakery industry usually refers to the grain-based food processing Grainbased foods may include breads, cakes, pies, pastries and similar foods.

Due to this, USSIA has organised a pizza and bakery training on the the 15th – 16th December 2022 at the USSIA building.

They will come and train in how to make chicken, beef and vegetable pizza, cupcakes, daddies and cookies.





USSIA MSMEs Networking Dinner.

USSIA is organizing an SMEs networking dinner at Kati Kati restaurant Lugogo on the 17th of December 2022 under the theme: **"Make Every Connection Matter."**

All SMEs are invited to take part in the dinner to enable them share, connect and network with others.

