



STI TELEGRAPH

NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK - 2025

15th - 20th June 2025

Theme: Made In Uganda - Innovation to Market.



Deputy speaker, Rt. Hon. Thomas Tayebwa experiences a locally built aviation simulator at NSW'25

Highlight Elsewhere



11th June 2025



- Leather & Textile Value Chain National Strategy
- E-Mobility standards Dialogue
- Pathogen economy commercialisation seminar
- E-Mobility Parade

TOP STORIES



STI minister leads Rt. Hon. Thomas Tayebwa on an exhibition inspection.



Col. Edith Nakalema, Prof. Bruce Kirenga and Hon. Dr. Monica Musenero interact with students at NSW'25



NSW'25 attracted over 100 Venture Capitalists



20th June 2025 - Deputy Speaker Rt. Hon. Thomas Tayebwa poses for a group picture with STI staff.

NSW'25 - KEY HIGHLIGHTS

The National Science Week(NSW) is the annual landmark event for the Science, Technology and Innovation secretariat Office of the President, highlighting homegrown scientific innovations across the key thematic areas from Ideation - Market.

This year's National Science Week(NSW'25) ran from 15th to 20th June 2025 with each day of the Weeklong event dedicated to a key sector pivotal to the national Science, Technology and Innovation(STI) ecosystem.

Under the theme: Made In Uganda - Idea to Market, this year's NSW was specifically tailored to foster innovation policy and commercialisation agendas.

First was family day on 15th June 2025, **Day-1**. This day was for family experiences and the innovations relatable having been a Sunday.

Day-2 was Science Summit day - bringing together scientists to debate, discuss and dialogue on matters affecting them technically.

Day-3, dedicated to the academia, saw a mammoth crowding of students from various schools who excitingly participated in the academia day.

Policy Day was a major highlight on Day-4 as the PSST. Ramathan Ggoobi graced NSW



Day-4, centred on deep dives into science policy and discussions on best linkages between science and the economy. The Permanent Secretary Ministry of Finance and Economic Development and Secretary to the Treasury committed more funds to the national Science, Technology and Innovation envelop.



Day-5: Putting the icing to the cake, the climax of the National Science Week 2025 saw the Deputy Speaker of parliament the Rt. Hon. Thomas Tayebwa officiate at the closure of the weeklong events. He actively started off by flagging of a locally made bus by kiira Motors and handing it to the users, Civil Aviation Authority followed by an exhibition tour as led by the minister for Science, Technology and Innovation where all the eight thematic areas were fully inspected, an investors' brief and panel sessions.

The **Investor Summit** ran with parallel for two days sessions for two days consecutively(19th -20th June 2025)

In his remarks:

“This is not just another event; this is the future taking shape before our very eyes.” - Rt. Hon. Thomas Tayebwa

The investor summit attracted more than 100 Venture Capitalists(VCs)



The deputy speaker used the forum to emphasise Parliament's commitment to supporting policy frameworks that enable innovation, reduce carbon emissions and create jobs through e-mobility and other digital technologies. He reiterated the need for collaborations between government, private sector players and innovators to tackle real challenges.

Rt. Hon. Thomas Teyebwa inspects innovation exhibition booths at NSW'25





E-MOBILITY STANDARDS

5th June 2025

The E-mobility standards dialogue.

The first of a kind E-mobility standards stakeholder dialogue was held at Mestil Hotel and residences in Kampala. A roadmap for standards development is anticipated to take center stage of the discussions.

“Standards is not a new thing to us, we have been very good on standards of imported goods. With the new ingredients in our economy, standards is a critical part in innovation and Industrialization,” the minister remarked during the launch of the E-mobility standards dialogue.

Standards don't impede innovations but enhance them - UNBS at the E-mobility standards dialogue.

A glance at 2024(Data):

- 10k Annual Installed EV Production Capacity.
- Up to 40% Local Content.
- More than 4,700 Locally Produced EVs
- 10k Jobs Created.
- More than \$150M Investment since 2018



Team-lead Mobility bureau, Allan Muhumza presents before the e-mobility dialogue.



Dr. Monica Musenero, the Science, Technology and Innovation minister delivered the scientific approach to decision making processes at the leather and textile value chain analysis garage. The goal is building competitive leather and textile industry.



Leather & Textile Value-chain Analysis Garage

The three-day leather and textile value chain analysis garage comes to an end today. Stakeholders engaged extensively on various input product value chains. Hon. Dr. Monica Musenero, the Science, Technology and Innovation minister officiated at the closing ceremony... as flanked by the team-lead Productivity Acceleration, Dr. Joshua Isiko and team-lead Import Substitution, Dr. Cathrine Wandera. Various MDAs including the private sector expressed appreciation as much has been learned from the strategic development processes. The goal is building competitive leather and textile industry.



13th June 2025

E-MOBILITY PARADE



The E-mobility procession!!

The Uganda E-mobility procession moved to Kololo independence grounds in a grand-launch of the NSW'25 as follows: Naguru STI-OP head offices - Jinja Road - Yusuf Lule Road - Acacia Avenue - Wampewo Avenue - Kololo Ceremonial Grounds. set off at 11:45am.

The Uganda E-Mobility Parade provided an opportunity to create awareness, adoption, and innovation in the Electric Vehicle(EV) sector in Uganda. As part of the Science Week exhibition, the parade demonstrated the potential of EVs in reducing carbon emissions, improving air quality and contributing to Uganda's sustainable economic development goals.



15th June 2025

SCIENCE SUMMIT DAY



16th June 2025

To deepen public and expert engagement, this year's NSW include a **National Science Summit** organised in partnership with Makerere University, Mbarara University of Science and Technology, and Busitema University. The summit offered a unique opportunity for scientists from STI bureaus and the wider innovation ecosystem to present and explain the science behind the innovations and how these are being transitioned from laboratory to market.

Intricate engagements among scientists on building synergies

The National Science Summit aims to fill this gap by promoting substantive discussions on the scientific, technical, and commercialisation processes behind Uganda's **homegrown innovations**.



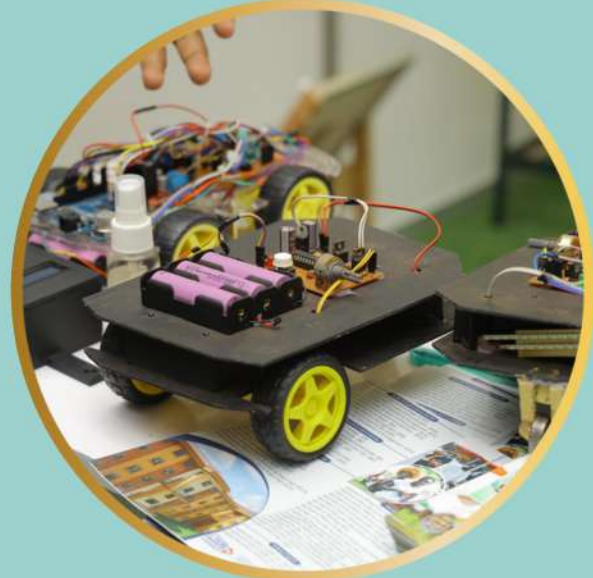
ACADEMIA DAY



Young Innovators - UG Innovate

Parents & Schools overwhelmingly adhered to the call to bring their students for the NSW'25. In this AI era, the jobs of the future belong to those who understand STEM and innovation. Students are all academic levels explored tech and innovations firsthand

Highlights from the Students Robotics Challenge



Why UG Innovates.

UG Innovate is a tailored platform to enable young innovators both in the formal education system and informal access the national STI, Idea-Market journey support. At this year's National Science Week, Each bureau display had a UG Innovate exhibition compartment specifically erected to showcase innovations among young people especially those in schools.



17th June 2025

18th June 2025



Policies that link science to the economy!

STI-OP and Makerere School of Economics (MakSoE) are co-organizing a Policy Day during National Science Week 2025 to promote STI-Economy Literacy amongst key stakeholders, starting with economists/planners in MDAs as the primary target audience.

This event is a precursor to the strategic collaboration between STI-OP and MakSoE to promote public understanding of STI-Economy nexus and to leverage economic tools and techniques to support STI planning and programming.



Mr. Ramathan Ggoobi
PS, Ministry of Finance and
secretary to the treasury.



Dr. Monica Musenero
Minister for Science,
Technology and Innovation.



Justine Kasule Lumumba
Minister, Office of the Prime
Minister (General Duties)

Investor Summit



Why the Investor summit!?

The investor summit ran from 19th to 20th June 2025, seeing fruitful sessions, investment engagements and matchmaking happen in a very short span.

Attracting more than 100 Venture Capitalists(VCs), the investor summit drew testament to an investor friendly environment Uganda is and a potential continental innovation hub.



20th June 2025

INNOVATION OF THE MONTH

POMBE GUARD



“Pombe guard” anti-hangover, a body supplement that mitigates alcohol effects

THE NSW'25 X - SPACE

20th June 2025

X Spaces NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK 2025 MAKING UGANDA THE BEST

Topic
National Science Week
- Made in Uganda Innovation to Market

Friday, 20th June
6pm - 8pm

Host
Salomon Serwanja
Executive Director, AIIJ

Speakers:

- Ronald Kayima
Co-founder
Tech Anatomy Ltd
- Mukasa Ivan Muwulya
Founder & Director
Wama Airo
Innovations Ltd
- Eng. Kavuma Ian John
Quality Inspection
and Testing Manager
Kilira Motors Ltd
- Jean-Paul Nageri
Co-founder
Sio Valley Technologies

Join the Discussion

The National Science X-space was part of the vigorous digital campaigns aimed at developing online visibility and exposure with both the public and technical experts.

Uganda's **homegrown innovations** that feature on the NSW'25 had an opportunity to market them further on a wider scope.

LAUNCHED MADE IN UGANDA

Deputy Speaker Launches “Made In Uganda” Supermarket



20th June 2025

PICTORIAL



Rt. Hon. Thomas Tayebwa, the deputy speaker of Parliament shopped in Made in Uganda supermarket at NSW'25

AS SAID

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FACES OF SCIENCE

IN RECOGNITION TO THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO SCIENCE



20th June 2025

PICTORIAL



The scientists are recognised for their contributions towards the development journey of national scientific innovations.

NEWS ELSEWHERE

The pathogen economy commercialisation seminar.



20th June 2025

NEAR MARKET READY PATHOGEN ECONOMY VENTURES ALONG THE IDEA TO MARKET JOURNEY.

As part of this effort, the bureau seeks to support ventures that are near-market-ready and equip them with practical tools to assess their position along the Idea-to-Market journey, map their value chains, and develop actionable commercialisation strategies.

The Goal: To equip near-market-ready ventures with practical value chain mapping tools and a clear roadmap for advancing their innovations from research to commercialisation.

Online Webinar
STI-OP Journal club

Topic
The role of ISO Accreditation in driving innovation and market access for diagnostic products



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Zoom details
Register here:
<https://t.ly/dcV6r>
After registration, you will receive a confirmation email.



SATURDAY
28th
June 2025

11am
(EAT)



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STI -OP JOURNAL

The **STI-OP Journal Club Webinar**, a monthly technical and public ecosystem engagement on innovation(**idea - commercialisation**) journey.

On 28th June 2025, in partnership with the Makerere University Lung Institute (MLI), STI-OP featured Elias Tusiime a Quality assurance manager at AGQC & Laboratory quality assurance manager at C- Care. Topic: The role of **ISO accreditation** in driving innovation and market access for diagnostics.

IN

the July release



Leather and textile.

In the upcoming July release, look out for: Science, Technology and Innovation secretariat led by line minister Hon. Dr. Monica Musenero visited the Management Training Advisory Center (MTAC) leather value chain facility.



Consumer trends.

In a bid to properly execute the 'Made In Uganda' supermarket structure, support services is conducting a regional consumer trends survey. Data is collected based on the changing consumer behaviour, analysed and drives structural decision making based on market demands.



4th Inclusive Green Economy (IGE) Grad'

While giving her remarks at the 4th Inclusive Green Economy (IGE) Graduation Ceremony today, the Minister for Science, Technology & Innovation reechoed the timely relevance of harnessing environmental protection innovation as centric global economy with nationalistic agenda.



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