

JOOUST CONDITIONALLY SELECTED FOR WORLD BANK FUNDING

Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology (JOOUST) has been conditionally selected for the establishment of an African Centre of Excellence in Sustainable Use of Insects as Food and Feed (INSEFOOD) by the World Bank. The grant amounting to Ksh. 600 million will be spread over a period of five (5) years and will be utilized for innovative training as well as research in Insect Science and Technology geared towards food security.

The conditional selection of the University was after successful evaluation of both the technical proposal and institutional capacity to implement the project. A team of independent evaluators accompanied with staff from IUCEA and the World Bank visited the University on 9th November 2015 to assess the institution's leadership capacity and ascertain the feasibility of establishing the Centre. There will be a project appraisal by the World Bank team in January 2016 followed by World Bank Group Board approval in May 2016 before commencement of implementation of the project.



The University Management and the Evaluators during an Inception meeting in the Vice-Chancellor's Boardroom



The Vice-Chancellor with the Evaluators during their assessment of the JOOUST cricket rearing unit