

# RIW 2026

Day 1 9th June 2026 Opening Ceremony Master of the ceremony: Mr John Mwai Rapporteur: Dr. Samuel Macharia	
08:00 AM - 08:30 AM	Registration
08:30 AM - 09:00 AM	Breakfast
09:00 AM - 09:05 AM	National Anthem, East African Community Anthem, Zetech Anthem
09:05 AM - 09:10 AM	Opening Prayer by <b>Rev. Dr Eric Irungu</b>
09:10 AM - 09:25 AM	Entertainment: Performance by the University Choir
09:25 AM - 09:40 AM	Welcome Note, and Introduction of Guests by <b>Prof Alice Njuguna</b> - Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics, Research & Student Affairs
09:40 AM - 09:45 AM	Research & Innovation Week Concept Overview by <b>Esther Mwangi</b> - Director of Research & Innovation, Zetech University
09:45 AM - 10:00 AM	Messages of Goodwill - Partners
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	<b>Opening Remarks by:</b> <b>Prof. Njenga Munene J.</b> - Vice Chancellor, Zetech University <b>Prof. Harriet Kidombo</b> - Chair of Council, Zetech University <b>Prof. Susan Alfano Nkinyangi</b> - Chancellor, Zetech University
10:30 AM - 10:50 AM	Special Guest Address Blagescu, Monica- <b>Head of Programmes at the British Council Kenya,</b>
10:50 AM - 11:30 AM	Keynote Address by <b>PS Prof. Shaukat Abdulrazak</b>

		<b>Moderator</b>	Dr. Lydiah Mwanzia	
		<b>Rapporteur</b>		
11:30 PM - 12:15 PM	<b>Fire-side Chat</b>	<b>Panellists</b>	Dr. Lavern Samuel, International Education and Partnership, South Africa Monica Belagesu	
12:15 PM - 12:40 PM	<b>Group Photo Session/ Visit to the exhibitions</b>			
12:40 PM- 01.00 PM	<b>Tree Planting</b>			
01:00 PM - 02:00 PM	<b>Lunch Break</b>			
02:00 PM - 02:15 PM	<b>Thematic Area: Innovation, Technology and Emerging Frontiers</b>	<b>Keynote Speaker</b>	Lydiah Karanja	
02:30 PM - 03:30 PM			David Goris	
		<b>Moderator</b>	<b>Dr. Mandela Ngaira</b>	
		<b>Rapporteur</b>		
		<b>Panellists</b>	Amos Kirongo	
03:30 PM - 03:40 PM	<b>Group Photo Session</b>			
3:40 PM	<b>Visit to Exhibitions/Networking/Cocktail</b>			
<b>Day 2 10th June 2026</b>				
08:00 AM - 08:30 AM	Registration			
08:30 AM - 08:40 AM	Opening Prayers & Welcome Remarks			
	Conference Opening		Prof. Samuel Mwalili	
08:40 AM - 10:00 AM	<b>Thematic Area: Entrepreneurship, Startups and Commercialisation</b>	<b>Session Chair</b>	Prof. Peter Kibas	
		<b>Keynote Speaker</b>	Dr. Tonny Omwansa	
		<b>Moderator</b>	Prof. Alice Njuguna	

		<b>Rapporteur</b>	Kuria Kanyingi	
		<b>Panellists</b>	Dr. James Wakiru Mr. Stephen Gugu Ms. Mercy Kimalek Dr Edgar Pelaez	
	<b>Thematic Area: Health, Life Sciences and Social Innovation</b>	<b>Session Chair</b>	Prof. Owen Ngumi	
		<b>Keynote Speakers</b>		
		<b>Moderator</b>	Dr. Lydiah Mwanzia	
		<b>Rapporteur</b>	Mr. Mark Oduor	
		<b>Panellists</b>	Diego F. Cuadros Prof. Samuel Mwalili Dr Ryoseku Omori	
10:00 AM - 10:20 AM		<b>Tea Break</b>		
	BREAKOUT ROOM A	BREAKOUT ROOM B		BREAKOUT ROOM C
10:20 AM - 10:30 AM				
10:30 AM - 10:45 AM				
10:45 AM - 11:00 AM				
11:00 AM - 11:15 AM				
11:15 AM - 11:35 AM	<b>Q &amp; A</b>			
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11:50 AM - 12:05 PM				
12:05 PM - 12:20 PM				
12:20 PM - 12:40 PM	<b>Q &amp; A</b>			
12:40 PM - 1:00 PM	<b>Networking &amp; Visit to Exhibitions</b>			
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	<b>Lunch Break</b>			

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM			
4:30 - 5:00 PM	<b>Tea &amp; Networking</b>		
<b>Day 3 11th June 2026</b>			
08:00 AM - 08:30 AM	Registration		
08:30 AM - 08:40 AM	Opening Prayers & Welcome Remarks		
08:40 AM - 10:00 AM	<b>Thematic Area: Students, Youth &amp; Talent Development</b>	Session chair	Dr. Benjamin Muindi
		<b>Keynote Speakers</b>	
		<b>Moderator</b>	Ms. Winnie Oduor
		<b>Rapporteur</b>	Mr. Mark Oduor
		<b>Panellists</b>	
10:00 AM - 10:20 AM	<b>Tea Break</b>		
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11:00 AM - 11:15 AM			
11:15 AM - 11:35 AM	<b>Q &amp; A</b>		
12:20 PM - 12:40 PM	<b>Q &amp; A</b>		
12:40 PM - 01:00 PM	<b>Exhibitions Close</b>		

01:00 PM - 02:00 PM	<b>Lunch Break</b>
<b>Closing Ceremony</b> <b>Moderator: Mr. John Mwai</b> <b>Rapporteur: Dr. Catherine Njoki</b>	
02:00 PM - 02:10 PM	Welcome Remarks by Moderator
02:10 PM - 02:25 PM	Recap by <b>Prof. Alice Njuguna</b> - Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics, Research & Student Affairs, Zetech University
02:25 PM - 02:55 PM	<b>Remarks by:</b> <b>Prof. Njenga Munene J.</b> - Vice Chancellor, Zetech University <b>Prof. Harriet Kidombo</b> - Chair of Council, Zetech University <b>Prof. Susan Alfano Nkinyangi</b> - Chancellor, Zetech University
02:55 PM - 03:15 PM	Closing Speech by : <b>Closing Guest Speaker</b>
03:15 PM - 03:40 PM	Awarding Ceremony by <b>Dr. Benjamin Muindi</b> - Dean, School of ICT, Media and Engineering
03:40 PM - 03:50 PM	Vote of Thanks by <b>Mrs. Esther Mwangi</b> - Head of Research and Innovations, Zetech University
03:50 PM - 04:00 PM	Prayer by Rev. <b>Dr. Eric Irungu</b> - University Chaplain
04:00 PM - 05:00 PM	<b>Tea &amp; Networking</b>