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Makerere climbs to 146 positions in global rankings – Webometrics

Makerere University has continued to rise in Webometric rankings in the world from 1,402nd position in January 2011 to the current 1,256th position in July 2011, a leap of 146 positions. The July edition of the University rankings still placed Makerere University as the 10th best University in Africa, the 9th best University in Sub-Saharan Africa.

The University's marked improvement worldwide can be attributed to among other strategies; continuous updating of the Institutional Repository of research publications by academicians at Makerere University.

By implementing innovative strategies like continuing to form strategic alliances with reputable institutions of higher education and major conference organizers, Makerere aspires to improve visibility of the University amongst the international research community, thereby bolstering its chances of scaling the ranks even further.








Commenting on the July 2011 rankings, Ms. Ritah Namisango the Acting Public Relations Officer said, "Makerere University is starting to reap the benefits of having Communication Officers and Web Administrators at the college level." "These colleagues have been at the forefront of promoting college activities such as International workshops, PhD defense seminars and coordination of the college communication function," she added.

For further breakdown of the rankings, please see attached analysis.

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Top Africa

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CONTINENT RANK	UNIVERSITY	COUNTRY	WORLD RANK	POSITION			
				SIZE	VISIBILITY	RICH FILES	SCHOLAR
1	University of Cape Town		324	315	402	305	357
2	University of Pretoria		507	452	723	700	130
3	Stellenbosch University		540	534	856	421	186
4	University of the Witwatersrand		699	1,401	868	936	214
5	University of Kwazulu Natal		727	837	947	993	289
6	Rhodes University		1,083	1,165	1,530	1,140	675
7	University of the Western Cape		1,156	1,206	1,831	1,132	943
8	Cairo University		1,219	1,605	1,639	1,802	784
9	University of South Africa		1,221	891	2,855	1,989	584
10	Makerere University		1,256	1,007	4,093	1,326	689