

## VARSITY TO PRODUCE ENGINEERS THAT WILL HELP IN OIL & GAS EXPLORATION

Permanent Secretary for Shipping and Maritime Affairs, Mrs. Nancy Karigithu, paid a courtesy call on the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Peter Mbithi. During the visit Mrs. Nancy tasked the University with producing engineers that will be useful in oil and gas exploration.

The Chief Executive Officer for National Oil, Ms. Sumayya Hassan-Athmani on her part noted that students undertaking research in either the bachelors or masters programs should also do research projects so that they can have a hands on experience and skill needed in the field.

Professor Mulaa who spoke on behalf of the NYS Director noted that there was need to work as a team so as to create jobs for young people who take up a majority of the population in Kenya.

There was also a proposal that a graduate academy be set up. This academy will cater for other courses like; ship Design, Nautical Science, Shipping and Logistics, Products and System Design and many other specialized courses.

The Vice Chancellor Prof. Mbithi, stated that the university will support the initiative. A technical committee was also proposed to help with communication.

The meeting was attended by ICTC director Ibrahim Otieno, Prof. Henry Mutoro, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Academic, Mr. John Orindi, Director, Corporate Communications among others.