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Message from the President of CECAFA



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Esteemed Members of the CECAFA General Assembly, It is with great pleasure and pride that I present the President's Report at the CECAFA General Assembly 2024, hosted here in the vibrant city of Mombasa, Kenya.

Over the past year, the Council for East and Central Africa Football Associations

(CECAFA) has continued its mission to foster the growth and development of football across the region. We have achieved significant milestones through our dedication to organizing and promoting various tournaments that showcase the talent and potential within our member associations.

Delegates, join me in welcoming President Munyantwali Alphonse who is joining us for the first time at our General

Assembly as the President of the Rwanda Football Federation (FERWAFU). We are very glad to welcome you to our Football family. Alongside the President is also the new FERWAFU General Secretary, Adolphe Kalisa, and vastly experienced Football Administrator who is not a stranger to many of us. Karibu Sana.

At a leadership level, our CECAFA Vice President, Isayas Jira, who is also the President of Ethiopia Football Federation (EFF), has joined the CAF EXCO. This is a landmark achievement for President Isayas, the EFF and CECAFA as a region and it gives us immense pride to have such distinguished representation at Continental level. Congratulations President Isayas and we assure you of our co-operation and wish you success.

Recruitment

I am pleased to provide an update on recent recruitment efforts for key managerial positions within CECAFA, as mandated by the Executive Committee and supported by CAF. After a thorough selection process, identified three highly qualified individuals to fill crucial roles within the organization. These individuals are:

1. Jean Sseninde (Ugandan) – Women Football Development Manager
2. Deogratias Meso (Kenyan) – Finance Manager
3. Baraka Kizunguto (Tanzanian) – Zonal Football Development Manager

We believe that their collective expertise and dedication to football development align closely with CECAFA's mission and objectives. I would like to express my gratitude to the Executive Office, and the EXCO members of the selection committee for their diligent efforts throughout the recruitment process.

With the appointment of these talented individuals, I am confident that CECAFA will now make significant strides towards its overarching goal of fostering sustainable football development across the region. We now have a strong and well-staffed CECAFA Secretariat with key positions now in place. The three join the following who have been in the Secretariat;

1. Mossi Yussuf (Burundian) – Competitions Manager
2. Oryada Andrew (Ugandan) – PR and Communications Manager
3. Veronica Lusichi – (Kenyan) – Administration Manager

4. Amir Hassan (Somali) – Tournaments Logistics Manager
5. Ali Ahmed (Somali) – Zonal Referee Manager
6. Steven Munywoki (Kenyan) – IT Administrator

Further, the EXCO has ratified the appointment of three Marketing Agencies that will work hand in hand with the Secretariat in pursuing and onboarding partners and sponsors for CECAFA Competitions and Events. The three agencies are:

1. Events Africa Limited
2. Aquila international
3. Jacksons Group

In 2023, CECAFA successfully hosted a total of six tournaments, each serving as a platform for young talents to shine and for our region to demonstrate its prowess in football: The season started with the CAF African Schools Football Championship, CECAFA Zonal Qualifiers 2023 hosted by Tanzania and the 2024 qualifiers hosted by Kenya.

This tournament, the brainchild of CAF President Dr. Patrice Motsepe, in its second year, continues to provide a stage for young footballers from across the region to compete and display their skills. It not only promoted friendly competition but also fostered camaraderie among the participating schools, laying the foundation for future sporting endeavors.

CECAFA U-18 Womens' Championship 2023 – Tanzania

Women's football continues to gain momentum globally, and CECAFA is committed to nurturing and empowering female footballers within our region.

The U-18 Women's Championship hosted by the Tanzania Football

Federation (TFF) at the Capital city of Dar es Salaam in Tanzania, provided a crucial platform for young ladies to showcase their abilities and inspire the next generation of female footballers. It also did provide a great platform for our Zonal National Teams that were competing in continental and global competitions to try out their squads at the Tournament.

CECAFA U-15 Boys Championship 2023 – Uganda

The U-15 Boys Championship, which was held once again in Jinja, Uganda served as a vital stepping stone for young male footballers to gain valuable experience and exposure at the regional level. It emphasized the importance of grassroots development and identified promising talents for further nurturing and progression. This Tournament served as a scouting platform for our Member Associations in readiness for the AFCON U-17 Qualifiers 2024.

CECAFA U-18 Boys Championship 2023 – Kenya

This Tournament was hosted by Football Kenya Federation (FKF) in the cities of Kisumu and Kakamega in Kenya. Youth development is at the heart of CECAFA's mission, and the U-18 Boys Championship played a significant role in providing a competitive environment for young male footballers to hone their skills and fulfill their potential. This tournament not only promoted talent development but also instilled discipline and teamwork among the participants.

It was our hope that our Member Associations utilized this Tournament to expose the potential squad for the AFCON U20 Zonal Qualifiers 2024. We saw one best attended Youth Tournaments in the Zone and our



sincere gratitude to FKF and the Cities of Kisumu and Kakamega for what was a great Youth Football Spectacle.

CAF Womens' Champions League CECAFA Zonal Qualifiers 2023 – Uganda

As part of CAF's commitment to promoting women's football, CECAFA proudly hosted the CAF Women's Champions League Zonal Qualifiers in 2023. Once again, the Federation of Uganda Football Associations (FUFA) hosted this event in the cities of Jinja and Kampala in Uganda, this prestigious tournament showcased the top women's club teams from our Zone, highlighting the growing prominence of women's football in the zone and providing our region with an opportunity to witness high-quality competition.

These tournaments would not have been possible without the dedication and collaboration of our member associations, the CECAFA secretariat, Our broadcast partner, Azam TV, our partners, sponsors, and stakeholders. I extend my sincere gratitude to all those who contributed to the success of these events, from the organizers and officials to the players and fans.

As we commend our Member Associations that continue to be steadfast at competing at all our Tournaments, I would like to point out to the Member associations that have been lagging behind in their participation on the importance of these competitions for the entire Zone.

We understand that there have been challenges and complaints on age limit in our age grade competition, an issue that beleaguers us and one that we are in the forefront of addressing to ensure that none of our members is discouraged from taking part in the competitions. We continue to use all means at our disposal to ensure that all teams compete fairly on the field.

Looking ahead, CECAFA remains steadfast in its commitment to advancing football development across East and Central Africa. We will continue to explore new initiatives, expand our partnerships, and enhance our programs to ensure that football remains a catalyst for positive change and unity within our region.

In conclusion, I am confident that the achievements and progress we have made in 2023 will serve as a solid foundation for the continued growth and success of football in our Zone. Together, let us build on our momentum and strive for even greater heights in the years to come.

Ahsanteni sana, enjoy the hospitality of Mombasa and Kenya, and I wish you safe travels back home.

02 | Message from the Executive Director of CECAFA



I would like to welcome you all to this CECAFA General Assembly. I trust that you and your families are keeping well, and your Member Associations are also making progress.

On behalf of the CECAFA Secretariat I would also like to thank you all the respective Presidents and your General Secretaries of the different Member Associations for the good corporation in our mission to improve and develop football further in the Zone.

CECAFA has made some positive strides in-terms of having more competitions, good visibility spearheaded by the communication team which is in turn improving the brand and we believe will eventually attract sponsors and stakeholders on board.

Good progress is also being made at the level of competitiveness in the different tournaments and standards of officiating. We are happy that as a Zone we have made improvement.

We want to also thank the teams that have represented the Zone well in the 2022/2023 CAF calendar. Fountain Gate Dodoma Secondary School of Tanzania winning the 2023 Edition of the CAF African Schools Football tournament

(Girls category), Young Africans SC (Tanzania) for reaching the final of the TotalEnergies CAF Confederation Cup, Simba SC (Tanzania) for reaching the quarter final stage of the TotalEnergies CAF Champions League, and Uganda's U-20 for reaching the quarter final stage of the U-20 AFCON.

We also commend SC Vipers (Uganda), Al Hilal, El Merriekh (Sudan) for reaching the group stage of the TotalEnergies CAF Champions League.

As we continue to grow and engage more as a Zone, it is imperative that we communicate more and interact as often as possible. To this end, I would like to encourage the Member Associations to be up-to-date with their annual subscription payments and to engage the secretariat more through the General Secretaries (GSs) meetings that we have twice a month.

Finally, allow me to thank all of you for your continued cooperation and your greatly appreciated efforts to ensure the growth of Football in the region.

Ahsanteni sana

03 | Competitions

Introduction

The CECAFA Zone successfully organized six tournaments in 2023. It was a very exciting and busy year in terms of competitions particularly for girls and boys. The tournaments that were organized by CECAFA include;

- CAF African Schools Football Championship CECAFA Qualifiers 2023 (Tanzania)
- CECAFA U-18 Girl's Championship 2023 (Tanzania)
- CAF Women's Champions League CECAFA Qualifiers 2023 (Uganda)
- CECAFA U-15 Boys Championship 2023 (Uganda)
- CECAFA U-18 Boys Championship 2023 (Kenya)
- CAF African Schools Football Championship CECAFA Qualifiers 2023 (Kenya)

CECAFA would like to thank the Member Associations of Tanzania, Uganda and Kenya hosting the tournaments last year.

Congratulations to Fountain Gate Dodoma Secondary School (Tanzania), and Royal Giant High School (Uganda) who emerged winners of the 1st edition of the African Schools Football Championship CECAFA Zone, the Tanzania U-18 girls National Team, the Zanzibar U-15 National Team and Uganda U-18 Boys National Team as Winners of the various tournaments.

We would also like to congratulate JKT Queens from Tanzania who qualified to represent the CECAFA Zone to the 3rd edition of CAF Women's Champions League Championship final stage in Côte d'Ivoire.

Congratulations also go out to the Uganda School Boy's and Girls' teams for their brilliant performance in qualifier for the second edition of CAF African Schools Football Championship 2024 final stage.

We shall not forget to applaud CECAFA representative at the first edition of the CAF African Schools Football Championship in South Africa, Fountain Gate Dodoma Secondary School who came out victorious after winning all their matches. Congratulations to Fountain Gate Dodoma Secondary School's star player Winifrida Hubert Gerald who was crowned best player and top scorer in the tournament.



It is also worth congratulating the Somalia and South Sudan U-17 teams for qualifying and playing in the AFCON U-17 Championship in Algeria, and the South Sudan and Uganda U-20 teams for qualifying and playing in the AFCON U-20 Championship in Egypt.

The Sudan U-18 Boys team and the Sudan Football Association (SFA) also deserve praise for participating in the CECAFA U-18 Boys Championship in Kenya despite the difficult political times in their country. CECAFA also takes this opportunity of welcoming Football Kenya Federation (FKF) back to international competitions after the lifting of the FIFA ban.

Our congratulations also go to the Governments of the United Republic of Tanzania, the Republic of Kenya and the Republic of Uganda for their successful 'PAMOJA' joint bid to host the TotalEnergies CAF Africa Cup of Nations 2027.

CECAFA also welcomed CAF's new concept of education and protection of young players and officials against various abuses. Different workshops were organized on the sidelines of the CECAFA competitions in 2023.

In this report, you will find the statistics of the different tournaments organized in 2023 including match results, teams ranking and outstanding players.

3.1

AFRICAN SCHOOLS FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP CECAFA QUALIFIERS - TANZANIA



Although the CAF African School football championship CECAFA 2023 qualifier was to be played in 2022, it was re-scheduled to February 17-19 2023.

The tournament played at Azam Chamazi stadium in Dar es salaam attracted 8 boys and 7 girls teams. Teams Boys and

Girls. The Tournament was officiated by young non- FIFA young Referees who are in the same age blanket as the players.

Different workshops in safeguarding young reporters and match officials were held on the sideline of the competitions.



The teams that took part are;

Boys teams: Al Jeel Al Genina (Sudan), Benjamin Mkapa Sec. School (Tanzania), C.E.M Baulous (Djibouti), Ecofo Gasanda (Burundi), E.S Sumba (Rwanda), Geda Robles (Ethiopia), Libya P.S (South Sudan) and Royal Giants H.S (Uganda.)

Girls teams: Amus College (Uganda), Awaro Sec. School (Ethiopia), Cem Baulous (Djibouti), Ecofo Ruseno (Burundi), El Hila Al Jadida (Sudan), Fountain Gate Dodoma Secondary School (Tanzania) and Kiramuzi MS (Rwanda)..

Teams were divided in two groups, 4 teams each group for the Boys, 3 teams for group A and 4 for group B for girls.

Results (group stage Boys)

Group A

M#	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
1	17/2/2023	E.S SUMBA Vs GEDA ROBLE S.S	09:00	1 - 1
3		BENJAMIN MKAPA S.S Vs ROYAL GIANT H.S	11:00	0 - 2
5		GEDA ROBLE S.S Vs BENJAMIN MKAPA S.S	13:00	2 - 1
7	18/2/2023	ROYAL GIANT H.S Vs E.S SUMBA	09:00	2 - 0
9		E.S SUMBA Vs BENJAMIN MKAPA S.S	11:00	0 - 2
11		GEDA ROBLE S.S Vs ROYAL GIANT H.S	13:00	4 - 0

Group B

M#	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
2	17/2/2023	LIBYA P.S Vs CEM BAULOUS	10:00	4 - 1
4		ECOFO GASANDA Vs ALJEEL AL GENINA	12:00	1 - 1
6		CEM BAULOUS Vs ECOFO GASANDA	14:00	0 - 7
8	18/2/2023	ALJEEL AL GENINA Vs LIBYA P.S	10:00	1 - 4
10		LIBYA P.S Vs ECOFO GASANDA	12:00	2 - 2
12		CEM BAULOUS Vs ALJEEL AL GENINA	13:00	2 - 2

Final Group Standing

Group A

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	GEDA ROBLE S.S	3	2	1	0	7	2	5	7
2	ROYAL GIANT H.S	3	2	0	1	4	4	0	6
3	BENJAMIN MKAPA S.S	3	1	0	2	3	4	-1	3
4	E.S SUMBA	3	0	1	2	1	5	-4	1



Group B

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	LIBYA P.S	3	2	1	0	9	4	5	7
2	ECOFO GASANDA	3	1	2	0	10	3	7	5
3	ALJEEL AL GENINA	3	0	2	1	4	6	-2	2
4	CEM BAULOUS	3	0	1	2	3	13	-10	1

Results (Semi-Finals - Third place and Final)

M#	STAGE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
13	Semi-Final 1	GEDA ROBLE S.S Vs ECOFO GASANDA	09:00	3 - 1
14	Semi-Final 2	LIBYA P.S Vs ROYAL GIANT H.S	10:00	1 - 2
15	Third place playoff	ECOFO GASANDA Vs LIBYA P.S	12:00	1 - 2
16	Final	GEDA ROBLE S.S Vs ROYAL GIANT H.S	14:00	0-0 P(2-4)

Goals scored

- 41 goals scored in 16 games, an average of 2.56 goals.

Cautions

- 9 yellow cards in 16 games, an average of 0.56 card.

Expulsions

- No expulsion.

Final standing and most outstanding players

- Gold Medalist : ROYAL GIANT HIGH SCHOOL (Uganda)
- Silver Medalist : GEDA ROBLE SEC. SCHOOL (Ethiopia)
- Bronze Medalist : LIBYA P.S (South Sudan)
- Fair Play Team : C.E.M Baulous (Djibouti)
- Best Goalkeeper : DAWIT Biruk Kebel (Geda Roble S.S – Ethiopia)
- Best Scorer : AJO Minari Alex (Libya P.S – South Sudan)
- Best Player : KABE Buzuna Biruk (Geda Roble S.S.- Ethiopia)

Group stage results - Girls

Group A

M#	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
2	17/2/2023	ECOFO RUSENO Vs FOUNTAIN GATE AC.	10:00	0 - 9
4		AWARO S.S Vs ECOFO RUSENO	12:00	5 - 0
8	18/2/2023	AWARO S.S Vs FOUNTAIN GATE AC.	10:00	1 - 5

Group B

M#	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
1	17/2/2023	KIRAMUZI M.S Vs CEM BAULOUS	09 :00	5 - 0
3		AMUS COLLEGE Vs E LHILA AL JADIDA	11:00	3 - 0
5		CEM BAULOUS Vs AMUS COLLEGE	13 :00	0 - 1
6	18/2/2023	EL HILA AL JADIDA Vs KIRAMUZI MS	09:00	0 - 3
8		KIRAMUZI MS Vs AMUS COLLEGE	11 :00	0 - 1
9		CEM BAULOUS Vs EL HILA AL JADIDA	12:00	0 - 0

Table Standing - Girls

Group A

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	FOUNTAIN GATE AC.	2	2	0	0	14	1	13	6
2	AWARO SEC. SCHOOL	2	1	0	1	6	5	1	3
3	ECOFO RUSENO	2	0	0	2	0	14	-14	0

Group B

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	AMUS COLLEGE	3	3	0	0	5	0	5	9
2	KIRAMUZI M.S	3	2	0	1	8	1	7	6
3	CEM BAULOUS	3	0	1	2	0	6	-6	1
4	EL HILA AL JADIDA	3	0	1	2	0	6	-6	1

Results

M#	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
10	Semi-Final 1	FOUNTAIN GATE AC. Vs KIRAMUZI M.S	09:00	3 - 0
11	Semi-Final 2	AMUS COLLOGE Vs AWARO SEC. SCHOOL	10:00	0 - 2
12	Third place playoff	KIRAMUZI M.S Vs AMUS COLLEGE	12:00	0 - 1
13	Final	FOUNTAIN GATE AC. Vs AWARO SEC. SCHOOL	14:00	3 - 0

Goals scored

- 41 goals scored in 13 games, an average of 3.15 goals.

Cautions

- 4 yellow cards in 13 games, an average of 0.3 cards.

Expulsions

- No expulsion

Final standing and most outstanding players

- Gold Medalist : FOUNTAIN GATE ACADEMY (Tanzania)
- Silver Medalist : AWARO SECONDARY SCHOOL (Ethiopia)
- Bronze Medalist : AMUS COLLEGE (Uganda)
- Fair Play Team : AWARO SECONDARY SCHOOL (Ethiopia)
- Best Goalkeeper : Allie Nelson NACHEMIA (Fountain Gate AC – Tanzania)
- Best Scorer : WINIFRIDA Hubert Gerald (Fountain Gate AC – Tanzania)
- Best Player : Zainabu Dotto KARUKA (Fountain Gate AC – Tanzania)



3.2 CECAFA U-18 GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP 2023 - TANZANIA

The CECAFA U-18 Girls Championship 2023 took place in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania at the Azam Complex Stadium from 25th July to August 4th 2023. The teams of Tanzania, Burundi, Ethiopia, Uganda and Zanzibar took part. The tournament was organized in a League format. Apart from Zanzibar, other teams were using the tournament to prepare for the U-20 Women's FIFA World Cup qualifiers. The participating teams benefited from this tournament, some of them registered encouraging results in the U-20 Women's FIFA World Cup Qualifiers (Burundi and Ethiopia) eliminated in Round 4. Tanzania and Uganda were eliminated in Round 3.

Results

M#	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
2	25.7.2023	ETHIOPIA Vs UGANDA	18:00	0 – 1
3	25.7.2023	BURUNDI Vs TANZANIA	15:00	0 – 3
6	27.7.2023	TANZANIA Vs ETHIOPIA	15:00	2 – 0
5	27.7.2023	UGANDA Vs ZANZIBAR	18:00	3 – 0
7	30.7.2023	ZANZIBAR Vs TANZANIA	15:00	0 – 1
8	30.7.2023	ETHIOPIA Vs BURUNDI	18:00	2 – 0
13	01.8.2023	ETHIOPIA Vs ZANZIBAR	15:00	6 - 1
14	01.8.2023	UGANDA Vs BURUNDI	18:00	7 – 0
12	04.8.2023	ZANZIBAR Vs BURUNDI	15:00	0 – 4
13	04.8.2023	UGANDA Vs TANZANIA	18:00	0 – 1

Standing

POS	COUNTRY	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	TANZANIA	4	4	0	0	7	0	7	12
2	UGANDA	4	3	0	1	11	1	10	9
3	ETHIOPIA	4	2	0	2	8	4	4	6
4	BURUNDI	4	1	0	3	4	12	-8	3
5	ZANZIBAR	4	0	0	4	1	12	-11	0



Goals scored

- 31 goals were scored in 13 games, an average of 2.3 goals per match.

Cautions

- 15 cautions were registered in 13 games, an average of 1.1 card per match.

Expulsions

- No expulsion registered.

Final standing and most outstanding players

- Gold Medalist : TANZANIA
- Silver Medalist : UGANDA
- Bronze Medalist : ETHIOPIA
- Fair Play Team :ETHIOPIA
- Best Goalkeeper : Husna Mtunda
- Best Scorer : EMUSH Daniel Dandamo (Ethiopia) 5 goals
- Best Player: Winifrida Hubert Gerald



3.3

CAF WOMEN'S CHAMPIONS LEAGUE CECAFA ZONE QUALIFIERS 2023 - UGANDA



Nine teams tussled it out in the CAF women's Champions League CECAFA zone qualifiers that took place August 12th to 30th 2023 in Uganda. 5 teams were placed in group A in the town of Njeru and 4 teams were placed in group B in Kampala.



GROUP A (FUFA T.C, Njeru)

Kampala Queens (Uganda)

Yei Joint FC (South Sudan)

Commercial Bank Ethiopia (Ethiopia)

Buja Queens (Burundi)

Forces Armées de Djibouti (Djibouti)

GROUP B (Omondi Stadium Lugogo, Kampala)

JKT Queens (Tanzania)

AS Kigali Women's (Rwanda)

New Generation (Zanzibar)

Vihiga Queens (Kenya)

Results - Group Matches

→ Group A

MATCH	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
1	12.8.2023	C.B.E Vs BUJA QUEENS	13:00	2 - 1
2	12.8.2023	KAMPALA QUEENS Vs YEI JOINTS FC	16:00	3 - 0
5	15.8.2023	KAMPALA QUEENS Vs BUJA QUEENS	13:00	1 - 2
6	15.8.2023	CBE FC Vs FAD FC	16:00	8 - 0
9	18.8.2023	FAD FC Vs YEI JOINTS FC	13:00	0 - 2
10	18.8.2023	KAMPALA QUEENS Vs CBE FC	16:00	1 - 1
13	21.8.2023	BUJA QUEENS Vs YEI JOINTS FC	13:00	1 - 0
14	21.8.2023	KAMPALA QUEENS Vs FAD FC	16:00	6 - 1
15	24.8.2023	CBE FC Vs YEI JOINTS FC	13:00	4 - 0
16	24.8.2023	FAD FC Vs BUJA QUEENS	16:00	1 - 2

→ Group B

MATCH	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
3	13.8.2023	VIHIGA QUEENS Vs NEW GENERATION FC	13:00	3 - 1
4	13.8.2023	JKT QUEENS Vs AS KIGALI WOMEN'S	16:00	2 - 1
7	16.8.2023	JKT QUEENS Vs NEW GENERATION FC	13:00	1 - 0
8	16.8.2023	AS KIGALI WOMEN'S Vs VIHIGA QUEENS	16:00	0 - 1
11	19.8.2023	VIHIGA QUEENS Vs JKT QUEENS	16:00	0 - 2
12	19.8.2023	NEW GENERATION FC Vs AS KIGALI WOMEN'S	16:00	1 - 1

Group Standing

→ Group A

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	CBE	4	3	1	0	15	2	13	10
2	BUJA QUEENS	4	3	0	1	6	4	2	9
3	KAMPALA QUEENS	4	2	1	1	11	4	7	7
4	YEI JOINTS STARS	4	1	0	3	2	8	-6	3
5	FAD FC	4	0	0	4	2	18	-16	0

Group B

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	JKT QUEENS	3	3	0	0	4	1	3	9
2	VIHIGA QUEENS	3	2	0	1	4	2	2	6
3	AS KIGALI	3	1	0	2	3	3	0	3
4	NEW GENERATION	3	0	0	3	1	6	-5	0

Results - Semi Final and Final

M#	STAGE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
17	Semi Final 1	JKT QUEENS Vs BUJA QUEENS	12:00	3 - 1
18	Semi Final 2	CBE FC Vs VIHIGA QUEENS	15:30	2 - 1

Third place and Final

M#	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
19	30.8.2023	BUJA QUEENS Vs VIHIGA QUEENS	13200	1 - 0
20	30.8.2023	JKT QUEENS Vs CBE FC	15:00	0-0 P (5-4)

Goals scored

- 56 goals were scored in 20 games, with an average of 2.8 goals per match.

Cautions

- 42 cautions were registered in 20 games, with an average of 2.1 cards per match.

Expulsions

- 1 expulsion registered.

Final standing and most outstanding players









- Gold Medalist : JKT QUEENS (TANZANIA)
- Silver Medalist : CBE FC (ETHIOPIA)
- Bronze Medalist : BUJA QUEENS (BURUNDI)
- Fair Play Team : KAMPALA QUEENS (Uganda)
- Best Goalkeeper : Najiat ABBAS (JKT QUEENS-Tanzania)
- Best Scorer : FAZILA Ikwaput (Kampala Queens – Uganda)
- Best Player : SITUMAI Abdallah (JKT QUEENS-Tanzania)



3.4

CECAFA U-15 BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP 2023 - UGANDA

The championship that attracted 8 teams took place November 4th to 16th 2023 in Uganda. The tournament that took place at FUFA Technical Center Njeru was aimed at preparing the teams for the AFCON U-17 Boys CECAFA Zonal Qualifiers in 2024.

GROUP A		GROUP B	
	UGANDA		TANZANIA
	ETHIOPIA		ZANZIBAR
	DJIBOUTI		SOMALIA
	SOUTH SUDAN		RWANDA

The tournament was officiated by young non-FIFA Referees with the average age in less 20 years old. The courses and fitness sessions provided by Cecafta instructors allowed them to be up their tasks and give hope of having a good team of International Referees in the future. We should also welcome the precious contribution of a Somali sponsor for Referees uniforms. CECAFA presents its warm thanks and appreciations.

Results - Group Matches

Group A



M#	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
1	04.11.2023	ETHIOPIA Vs SOUTH SUDAN	12:30	1 - 1
2	04.11.2023	UGANDA Vs DJIBOUTI	15:30	15 - 0
5	07.11.2023	DJIBOUTI Vs ETHIOPIA	12:30	1 - 8
6	07.11.2023	SOUTH SUDAN Vs UGANDA	15:30	0 - 3
9	10.11.2023	DJIBOUTI Vs SOUTH SUDAN	12:30	0 - 12
10	10.11.2023	UGANDA VS ETHIOPIA	15:30	4 - 0

Group B

M#	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
3	05.11.2023	ZANZIBAR Vs RWANDA	12:30	3 - 0
4	05.11.2023	TANZANIA Vs SOMALIA	15:30	1 - 0
7	08.11.2023	SOMALIA Vs ZANZIBAR	12:30	0 - 4
8	08.11.2023	RWANDA Vs TANZANIA	15:30	1 - 2
11	11.11.2023	SOMALIA Vs RWANDA	12:30	1 - 0
12	11.11.2023	TANZANIA Vs ZANZIBAR	15:30	0 - 2

Group Standing

Group A

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	UGANDA	3	3	0	0	22	0	22	9
2	SOUTH SUDAN	3	1	1	1	13	9	4	4
3	ETHIOPIA	3	1	1	1	9	6	3	4
4	DJIBOUTI	3	0	0	3	1	35	-34	0

Group B

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	ZANZIBAR	3	3	0	0	9	0	9	9
2	TANZANIA	3	2	0	1	3	3	0	6
3	SOMALIA	3	1	0	2	1	5	-4	3
4	RWANDA	3	0	0	3	1	6	-5	0

Results

Semi Final

M#	STAGE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
13	Semi Final 1	UGANDA Vs TANZANIA	12:00	2 - 1
14	Semi Final 2	ZANZIBAR Vs SOUTH SUDAN	15:30	1 - 1 P (4 - 2)

Third place and Final

M#	STAGE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
15	Third place playoff	TANZANIA Vs SOUTH SUDAN	12:00	1 - 0
16	Final	UGANDA Vs ZANZIBAR	15:30	1 - 1 P (3 - 4)



Goals scored

- 65 goals were scored in 16 games, with an average of 4.06 goals per match.

Cautions

- 49 cautions were registered in 16 games, with an average of 3.06 cards per match.

Expulsions

- 2 expulsions registered.

Final standing and most outstanding players









- Gold Medalist : ZANZIBAR
- Silver Medalist : UGANDA
- Bronze Medalist : TANZANIA
- Fair Play Team : ETHIOPIA
- Best Goalkeeper : MAHIR Abdalla Amour (Zanzibar)
- Best Scorer : LAZARUS Peter George (South Sudan)
- Best Player : Owen MUKISA (Uganda)



3.5

CECAFA U-18 BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP 2023 - KENYA

The CECAFA U-18 Boys championship took place in Kenya from November 25th to December 8th 2023. The tournament that took place in Kisumu and Kakamega was organized with the aim of preparing the teams for the AFCON U-20 Boys CECAFA Zonal Qualifiers in 2024. The 8 teams were divided in two group as follow;

GROUP A	GROUP B
 KENYA	 TANZANIA
 SUDAN	 ZANZIBAR
 RWANDA	 SOUTH SUDAN
 SOMALIA	 UGANDA



Results - Group Matches

Group A

MATCH	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
1	25.11.2023	SOMALIA Vs RWANDA	12:00	0 - 1
2	25.11.2023	KENYA Vs SUDAN	15:00	5 - 0
5	28.11.2023	KENYA Vs RWANDA	12:00	1 - 0
6	28.11.2023	SOMALIA Vs SUDAN	15:00	3 - 0
9	01.12.2023	RWANDA Vs SUDAN	12:00	3 - 0
10	01.12.2023	KENYA Vs SOMALIA	15:00	4 - 1

Group B

MATCH	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
3	26.11.2023	TANZANIA Vs UGANDA	12:00	1 - 0
4	26.11.2023	ZANZIBAR Vs SOUTH SUDAN	15:00	1 - 0
7	29.11.2023	TANZANIA Vs SOUTH SUDAN	12:00	1 - 2
8	29.11.2023	ZANZIBAR Vs UGANDA	15:30	1 - 2
11	02.12.2023	UGANDA Vs SOUTH SUDAN	12:00	2 - 0
12	02.12.2023	TANZANIA Vs ZANZIBAR	15:00	1 - 1

Standings - Group Matches

Group A

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	KENYA	3	3	0	0	10	1	9	9
2	RWANDA	3	2	0	1	4	1	3	6
3	SOMALIA	3	1	0	2	4	5	-1	3
4	SUDAN	3	0	0	3	0	11	-11	0

Group B

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	UGANDA	3	2	0	1	4	2	2	6
2	TANZANIA	3	1	1	1	3	3	0	4
3	ZANZIBAR	3	1	1	1	3	3	0	4
4	SOUTH SUDAN	3	1	0	2	2	4	-2	3

Results

Semi Final

MATCH	STAGE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULT
13	Semi Final 1	UGANDA Vs RWANDA	11:00	1 - 0
14	Semi Final 2	KENYA Vs TANZANIA	14:30	0 - 0 P (4 - 3)

Third place and Final

MATCH	STAGE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULT
15	Third playoff	RWANDA Vs TANZANIA	11:00	1 - 3
16	Final	UGANDA Vs KENYA	14:30	2 - 1

Goals scored

- 38 goals were scored in 16 games, with an average of 2.38 goals per match.

Cautions

- 35 cautions were registered in 16 games, with an average of 2.18 cards per match.

Expulsions

- 1 expulsion registered.



Final standing and most outstanding players

- Gold Medalist : UGANDA
- Silver Medalist : KENYA
- Bronze Medalist : TANZANIA
- Fair Play Team : TANZANIA
- Best Goalkeeper : Ibrahim WANZALA (Kenya)
- Best Scorer : Aldrine Kipchirchir KIBET (Kenya) 3 goals
- Best Player : Hakim MUTEBI (Uganda)



3.6

CAF AFRICAN SCHOOLS FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP CECAFA QUALIFIERS 2023 - KENYA

The second edition of the CAF African Schools Football Championship CECAFA Qualifiers 2023 took place in from December 11th to 13th 2023 in Nairobi Kenya. Six Boys teams and 5 Girls teams participated in the Tournament which took place at Kasarani stadium (main stadium and annex). The Tournament was officiated by young non- FIFA Referees who were in the same age bracket as the players.

During the same tournament workshops for young reporters, and safeguarding for team officials and players were organised by the CECAFA and CAF Officers.

Boys teams: KENYA, BURUNDI, RWANDA, SOMALIA, TANZANIA and UGANDA.

Girls team: KENYA, BURUNDI, RWANDA, TANZANIA and UGANDA.

Results Boys

M#	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
1	11.12.2023	KENYA Vs TANZANIA	11:00	0 - 1
2		UGANDA Vs SOMALIA	12:00	3 - 0
3		RWANDA Vs BURUNDI	13:30	1 - 1
4		BURUNDI Vs UGANDA	15:30	0 - 2
5		SOMALIA Vs KENYA	14:30	0 - 2
6		TANZANIA Vs RWANDA	16:30	2 - 0
7	12.12.2023	RWANDA Vs KENYA	09:00	0 - 2
8		UGANDA Vs TANZANIA	10:00	1 - 0
9		BURUNDI Vs SOMALIA	11:00	0 - 0
10		KENYA Vs UGANDA	12:00	1 - 2
11		SOMALIA Vs RWANDA	13:30	0 - 0
12		TANZANIA Vs BURUNDI	14:30	2 - 0
13	13.12.2023	KENYA Vs BURUNDI	09:00	1 - 0
14		RWANDA Vs UGANDA	10:00	1 - 3
15		TANZANIA Vs SOMALIA	11:00	3 - 0
16		UGANDA Vs TANZANIA (FINAL MATCH)	15:30	1-1 P (4-2)



Standing after Round stage

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	UGANDA	5	5	0	0	11	2	9	15
2	TANZANIA	5	4	0	1	8	1	7	12
3	KENYA	5	3	0	2	6	3	3	9
4	BURUNDI	5	0	2	3	1	6	-5	2
5	RWANDA	5	0	2	3	2	8	-6	2
6	SOMALIA	5	0	2	2	0	8	-8	2

Goals scored

- 30 goals scored in 16 games, with an average of 1.87 goals

Cautions

- 27 yellow cards in 16 games, an average of 1.68 cards

Expulsions

Final standing and most outstanding players

- Gold Medalist : UGANDA
- Silver Medalist : TANZANIA
- Bronze Medalist : KENYA
- Fair Play Team : KENYA
- Best Goalkeeper : Abraham NASSOR (Tanzania)
- Best Scorer : Simon WANYAMA (Uganda)
- Best Player : Ashraf KYAKUWA (Uganda)



Results Girls

M#	DATE	TEAMS	TIME	RESULTS
1	11.12.2023	KENYA Vs RWANDA	11:00	2 - 0
2		UGANDA Vs TANZANIA	11:00	0 - 0
3		RWANDA Vs BURUNDI	12:00	0 - 0
4		TANZANIA Vs KENYA	12:00	0 - 1
5	12.12.2023	BURUNDI Vs UGANDA	09:00	0 - 4
6		TANZANIA Vs RWANDA	09:00	3 - 0
7		KENYA Vs BURUNDI	10:00	2 - 0
8		RWANDA Vs UGANDA	10:00	0 - 3
9		BURUNDI Vs TANZANIA	11:00	0 - 5
10		UGANDA Vs KENYA	11:00	1 - 0
11	13.12.2023	KENYA Vs UGANDA (FINAL MATCH)	14:00	1 - 2

Standing

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	UGANDA	4	3	1	0	8	0	8	10
2	KENYA	4	3	0	1	5	1	4	9
3	TANZANIA	4	2	1	1	8	1	7	7
4	RWANDA	4	0	1	3	0	8	-8	1
5	BURUNDI	4	0	1	3	0	11	-11	1

Goals scored

- 30 goals scored in 16 games, with an average of 1.87 goals

Cautions

- 27 yellow cards in 16 games, with an average of 1.68 cards

Expulsions

Final standing and most outstanding players

- Gold Medalist : UGANDA
- Silver Medalist : KENYA
- Bronze Medalist : TANZANIA
- Fair Play Team : KENYA
- Best Goalkeeper : Huda AYIKURA (Kenya)
- Best Scorer : Shadia NABIRYE (Uganda)
- Best Player : LINDEY Wey (Kenya)



04 | Communication

CECAFA continues to register growth in its arm of communication since it remains an integral part in brand improvement, attracting sponsors and football growth and development in the Zone. The department has also conducted workshops for young reporters on the sideline of the two CAF African schools Football Tournament CECAFA qualifiers.

Media Breakdown

Numbers of accredited journalists in 2023

889

Total numbers of applications

720

Total of media present/accredited

The number of media attraction to CECAFA content and tournaments has significantly grown with more newspapers in the region, FM Radios, online blogs and websites covering our events, and a few International media outside the African continent like BBC Sports and China's state media arm Xinhua.



CECAFA owned digital platforms and channels include;

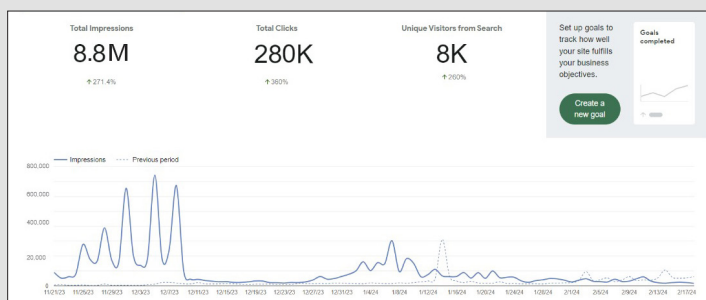
website: www.cecfaonline.com

Facebook, Instagram, Twitter (Now X), Tiktok

Video streaming channel on YouTube



Graph 1 : Cecaonline.com web traffic and performance in last 90 days compared with previous 90 days.



Over the last 3 months the official CECAFA website (www.cecfaonline.com) had 8,000 unique searches, 8.8 million reach and 280,000 clicks.

This is about 200% increase in metrics compared to previous three months period of August-October.

The growth is also attributed to tournament activity and sharing of content across CECAFA social media platforms. Growing stats through content promotion will open up more our web platform to digital partners where as a communication/media arm we look forward to using this more as a channel of attracting sponsors.

DIGITAL MEDIA SEGMENT

CECAFA owned digital media platforms and channels include:

Website: www.cecfaonline.com



Social media: Facebook – cecfaonline – 20K Followers , 1,800 Posts, 24.8M reach and 1.7 M engagement across the year 2023



Instagram: Cecfaonline – 10,000 Followers, 740 Posts, 7.5 M reach and 1.2 M engagement across the year 2023



Twitter: Cecfaonline – 12,000 Followers, 600 tweets, 2.3M reach and 800K engagement across the year 2023



TikTok: Cecfaonline - 8,900 Followers, 15 Posts, 300K reach and 4K engagement across the year 2023



Video Streaming Channel Youtube: CECAFA TV: 2,000 Subscribers & 872,000 Cumulative Views and 99.2 Watch Hours across 2023



Over 2023 CECAFA digital platforms has distributed football news updates via blog stories, match results, social media posts and connected with all participating teams and countries online as well as engaging fans with important updates such as livestream links etc.

We have also distributed match highlights as well as full matches on CECAFA TV Channel for ease of access by teams and fans across the region and world at large.

ACHIEVEMENTS

We have seen tremendous growth in terms of audience reach and engagement, clocking 1M plus content views per week during tournament period and average of 100k views per week during non tournament activity.

Our platforms have been a source of reference and content source by social and web blogs, media personalities as well as mainstream media.

We launched a tournament based Content Management System for live match updates, match stats, team line ups and table of standings hosted under www.cecfaonline.com/cms and this created alot of excitement around CECAFA brand online. We believe that it is a tool of today and the future.



05 | Football Development

5.1 Refereeing in the Zone



In the refereeing department we continue to make big positive strides as we aim to have as many top referees in the Zone.

We continue to train younger referees as they also garner for more exposure though different tournaments organised in the Zone.

The positive strides made by the refereeing department in the Zone has seen many referees from CECAFA appointed for big tournaments including the recent AFCON in Ivory Coast where we had 7 centre referees and 4 assistants.

CECAFA U-18 WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP 2023, TANZANIA

TANZANIA, BURUNDI, ETHIOPIA, UGANDA, ZANZIBAR

List of the appointed Referees

No	Name	Referee	Country
1	TATU Nuru Malogo	Referee	Tanzania
2	SUSAN Yohannes	Referee	Eritrea
3	MEDAB Wondemu BIFTU	Referee	Ethiopia
4	NAIGAGA Habiba	Referee	Uganda
5	IRATUNGA Suavis	Referee	Burundi
6	MURUNGI Diana	Referee	Uganda
7	ABEBE Tsehayinesh	Referee	Ethiopia

Referees



List of the appointed Assistant Referees

No	Name	Designation	Country
1	FIDES Bangurambona	Ass. Referee	Burundi
2	WOGAYEHU Zewdu Bizuayehu	Ass. Referee	Ethiopia
3	Elsa Yohannes	Ass. Referee	Eritrea
4	MUTONYI Jane	Ass. Referee	Uganda
5	IRADUKUNDA Alida	Ass. Referee	Burundi
6	ZAWADI Hashim Yusuf	Ass. Referee	Tanzania
7	JANETH Balama	Ass. Referee	Tanzania
8	JANE Charles Lado	Ass. Referee	South Sudan

Assistant Referees



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CECAFA ZONAL QUALIFIERS,
DECEMBER 10 – 14, 2023 NAIROBI – KENYA



Eight Boys Referee's/Assistant Referee's and Eight Girls Referee's/Assistant Referees were appointed by CECAFA Referee's Committee Member Associations to officiate Pan-African School Football Championship from December 10 – 14, 2023 in Nairobi Kenya.

Referees and Instructors arrived in Nairobi from 9th to 10th Nairobi 2023 respectively. All appointed referees came from the CECAFA Zone. All referees and coaches traveled back home on December 14 - 15 2023.

Boys Referees

Girls Referees

BOYS			
S/N	NAME	COUNTRY	
1	Ojilong Jabeth Elly	Uganda	Ref
2	Habibu Hamadi Habibu	Tanzania	Ref
3	Bizindaryi Kenny Prince	Burundi	Ref
4	Rooney Ambani	Kenya	Ref
5	Ian Kiriwa Rotich	Kenya	AR
6	Mugisha Bonheur Fabrice	Rwanda	AR
7	Emmanuel Ogolla	Kenya	AR
8	Felix Odhiambo	Kenya	AR

GIRLS			
S/N	NAME	COUNTRY	
1	Nambasa Jackie Mbekeka	Uganda	Ref
2	Tuyihimbaze Cevine	Rwanda	Ref
3	Karen Chelangat	Kenya	Ref
4	Sikudhani Humbi Iddi	Tanzania	Ref
5	RolandeCressy Ishimwe	Burundi	AR
6	Precious Cherotich Ivy	Kenya	AR
7	Teckla Njeri	Kenya	AR
8	Asimwe Natasha	Uganda	AR

CECAFA U-15 BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP

NOVEMBER 4 - 16, 2023 JINJA – UGANDA



The CECAFA U-15 Boys' Championship was organized in Jinja-Uganda 2023, from November 5-16, 2022. This tournament participated by 9 CAF member associations was very tough competition.

CECAFA Referee's Committee appointed eight Referees and nine Assistant referees. These referees were all national referees, some as young as 16 years old and were not in FIFA lists, but they showed very good quality and a number of them were identified as prospective and very promising referees and assistants.

CECAFA U-15 TOURNAMENT, 4 - 18 NOVEMBER, 2023, NJERU - UGANDA

NO	REFEREES	COUNTRY	NO	ASSISTANT REFEREES	COUNTRY
1	DUULA JOSHUA	UGANDA	1	KATEREGA ASHRAF	UGANDA
2	KAYITARE DAVID	RWANDA	2	HAPPY BADRU	UGANDA
3	ALEX PANGLAS MWALUBANDU	TANZANIA	3	RSPECIOUS DISMAS NICHOLAUS	TANZANIA
4	ABDULLAHI HAGI	SOMALIA	4	ABDISAMAD HUSSEIN IGE	SOMALIA
5	HENOK ABEBE	ETHIOPIA	5	WOGAYEHU AYELE	ETHIOPIA
6	IDIRIS ABDULAZIZ	DJIBOUTI	6	IBRAHIM HASSAN MUSSA	DJIBOUTI
7	NOAH MAKWACH NHOMBATH	SOUTH SUDAN	7	DOTE CHARLES COSTA	SOUTH SUDAN
8	NYITANGA JERRYSON	RWANDA	8	NTRINGANYA ELJE	RWANDA
			9	EDWARD RAPHAEL	TANZANIA
INSTRUCTORS/ASSESSORS					
1	JANUAR FRAZER	PHYSICAL COACH	SOUTH SUDAN		
2	MARK SSONKO	TECHNICAL COACH/COORDINATOR	UGANDA		
3	ABDO ALI MOHAMED	TECHNICAL COACH/ASSESSOR	DJIBOUTI		
4	BELACHEW YETAYEW	TECHNICAL COACH/ASSESSOR	ETHIOPIA		



Airport reception, accommodation and local transport

The referees and instructors were well received at the airport by the LOC of FUFA. They were transferred to Jinja town where they were accommodated (with full board) at the Pearl of the Nile hotel. A hall equipped with projector and flip chart was also provided for class session (pre-competition course, match preparations and debriefing).



CAF WOMEN'S CHAMPIONS LEAGUE CECAFA ZONAL QUALIFIERS IN UGANDA, AUGUST 12-30, 2023



Referees in Kampala



Referees in Jinja

Ten Referees and twelve Assistant referees were appointed by CECAFA Referee's Committee for the CAF Women's Champions League CECAFA Zonal Qualifiers – Uganda 2023 played from August 12 - 30, 2023 in Kampala and Jinja respectively.

Referees and Instructors arrived in Kampala and Jinja between August 10 - 11, 2023. All appointed referees came from the CECAFA Zone.

CECAFA U-18 BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP

NOV 21ST TO DEC 8TH 2023 IN KISUMU & KAKAMEGA - KENYA



CECAFA U-18 Boys tournament was organised in Kenya from November 21st to December 8th 2023. This competition was a bit tougher than we planned due to players' age, but we managed to have one of the best officiating in the CECAFA history. 10 referees and 11 assistants from the region were selected from the CECAFA Zone Member Associations.

CECAFA U-18 BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP, 25 NOV - 8 DEC 2023, KISUMU/KAKAMEGA - KENYA

NO	REFEREES	COUNTRY	NO	ASSISTANT REFEREES	COUNTRY
1	DICKENS MIMISA	KENYA	1	SAMUEL KURIA	KENYA
2	KASARILWE LUCKY RAZAK	UGANDA	2	MULINDUWA HAKIM	UGANDA
3	RAMADHAN OMARY KAYOKO	TANZANIA	3	HAMDANI SAID ALLY	TANZANIA
4	SOLOMON Lokudo	SOUTH SUDAN	4	MOWLID RAGE ALI	SOMALIA
5	MANUHE WOLDETSADIK	ETHIOPIA	5	OLIVER ODHIAMBO	KENYA
6	ANTHONY KIRI	SOUTH SUDAN	6	NELSON BENU	SOUTH SUDAN
7	ALAMIN ALHADI MOHAMED	SUDAN	7	YEBEKAL DESALGNR	ETHIOPIA
8	RULISA PATIENCE FIDELE	RWANDA	8	BIZUMUREMYI RENOVAT	BURUNDI
9	MANIRAKIZA BETRAND	BURUNDI	9	NDAYISABA SAIDI HAMISI	RWANDA
10	KAYITARE DAVID (DEVELOPMENT)	RWANDA	10	HAPPY BADRU (DEVELOPMENT)	UGANDA
			11	RESPECIOUS DISMIS (DEVELOPMENT)	TANZANIA
INSTRUCTORS/ASSESSORS					
1	ALI MOHAMED AHMED			REFEREE MANAGER	SOMALIA
2	LESLIE LIUNDA			TECHINCAL INSTRUCTOR	TANZANIA
3	BRIAN NSUBUGA MIRO			TECHINCAL INSTRUCTOR	UGANDA
4	STEPHEN ODOUR			PHYSICAL COACH	KENYA
5	ALI KALIYANGO			PHYSICAL COACH	UGANDA
6	MOSES OSANO			TECHNICAL INSTRUCTOR/ASSESSOR	KENYA
7	BERNARD MFUBUBSA			TECHNICAL INSTRUCTOR/ASSESSOR	BURUNDI
8	MUNYAMENA HUDU			TECHNICAL INSTRUCTOR/ASSESSOR	RWANDA
9	SYLVESTER KIRWA			TECHNICAL INSTRUCTOR/COORDINATOR	KENYA

REFEREES AND INSTRUCTORS SHOULD REPORT ON 21 NOVEMBER IN KISUMU



The tournament ended well and the referees went through fitness and technical preparation before and during the tournament and this was the key for the success of the competition.



Thank you for all colleagues and the CECAFA family for your constant support and motivation in refereeing development for our beloved CECAFA zone.

5.2

Performance in CAF competitions

The 2023 season was a busy one for teams in the CECAFA Zone at continental level.

- ▶ Fountain Gate Dodoma Secondary School of Tanzania lifted the 2023 Edition of the CAF African Schools Football tournament (Girls category) during the event held in South Africa.
- ▶ Tanzania's Young Africans SC also reached the TotalEnergies CAF Confederation Cup final losing to Algerian outfit USM Alger.
- ▶ Another Tanzanian side Simba SC reached the quarter final stage of the TotalEnergies CAF Champions League losing to Morocco's .
- ▶ Uganda's Vipers SC, together with Sudan's two top teams Al Hilal and Al Merriekh played i the group stage of the TotalEnergies CAF Champions League.
- ▶ Uganda's U-20 (men's) team handled by coach Jackson Mayanja reached the quarter final stage of the U-20 AFCON held in Egypt. South Sudan also played in the same tournament falling out in the group stage.
- ▶ South Sudan and Somalia U-17 teams played in the U-17 AFCON held in Algeria.
- ▶ Taifa Stars became the only team in the CECAFA Zone to qualify to play i the TotalEnergies CAF Africa Cup of Nations (AFCON).
- ▶ Tanzania qualified for the 2024 Women's Africa Cup of Nations (WAFCON) that will be held in Ivory Coast.
- ▶ Uganda, Burundi and Ethiopia advanced to the later stage in the FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup qualifiers.



5.3 Safeguarding training

The Council for East and Central Africa Football Associations (CECAFA) successfully held Safeguarding workshops in the Eastern Town of Njeru, Uganda last year on the sidelines of the CECAFA U- 15 Boys Championship.

The workshop held at the FUFA Technical Centre was conducted by CECAFA Administration Manager, Veronica Bwamula who had just concluded a FIFA safeguarding Diploma at FIFA headquarters in Zurich.

Over 200 members including referees, players, head of delegation, technical bench members attended the workshops.



Veronica Lusichi conducting workshop at FUFA Technical Centre, Njeru, Uganda on 9th November, 2023.



Uganda U15 Boys National Team Undertaking Safeguarding Workshop.

WHAT WE COVERED

FIFA/CAF SAFE GUARDING POLICY

We went through the FIFA/CAF SAFE Guarding policy as follows:

1. Using FIFA Guardians safeguarding guide line.
2. Recruiting right safeguarding focal point.
3. Safeguarding focal point, should recognize and respond to abuse cases e.g, psychological, emotional, physical sexual and neglect.

The participants at the workshops underwent the introduction of FIFA Guardian Course. Some of the safeguarding values discussed included;

1. To prevent harm and reduce the risk of abuse,
2. To educate people the importance of safeguarding which is all about everyone being involved,
3. To stop abuses and neglect and the obligation to teach everyone their right
4. Our obligations to teach them their rights

Safeguarding code of conduct

CECAFA have set value rules standards and principles to our Referees, Coaches, players parents schools and federation.

Emphasis is laid on how to know their rights by signing the code of conduct and educating them through our workshops.

How to deal with abuses

1. Educate them by doing FIFA Guardians courses
2. Organizing Safeguarding workshop

Keep it safe, keep it clean



Tanzania U-15 Boys National Team undertaking Safeguarding Workshop.



Zanzibar U-15 Boys National Team undertaking Safeguarding workshop.



Somali U-15 Boys national team undertaking Safeguarding workshop.



CONCLUSION

We had great productive sessions, and we plan to keep educating members in the CECAFA Zone about doing the FIFA Guardians courses and organizing workshops on safeguarding.

Yussuf Mossi, the CECAFA Competitions Manager said having the Safeguarding workshop is very timely because it

brings a lot about awareness.

Lazarus Peter George, the South Sudan captain said they learnt a lot about safeguarding during the workshop. " We now know what to practice and what to tell other footballers back in South Sudan, " he added.

06 | Administration

The CECAFA administration/secretariat is composed of 10 staff including the Women's Football Manager, Jean Sseninde and the Football Development Manager, Baraka Kizuguto who were recruited two months ago.



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Executive Director
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Deogratias Meso
Finance Manager
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Baraka Kizuguto
**Zonal Football
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**Women Football
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(Uganda)



Veronica Lusichi
Administration Manager
(Kenya)



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**PR and Communications
Manager**
(Uganda)



Ali Ahmed
**Zonal Referees'
Manager (Somalia)**



Amir Hassan
**Tournaments Logistics
Manager (Somalia)**



Steven Munywoki
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