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Preface

The Annual Postgraduate Seminar provides an opportunity for students who have successfully defended their Ph.D and Masters’ theses to share their research findings and experience with their peers, other scholars and some stakeholders. This is an occasion on which the graduates display the product of their many years of hard work and commitment. This year’s Seminar is the 14th since Kenyatta University placed this event on its annual calendar. It is therefore a time for celebration at Kenyatta University.

It is common knowledge among scholars that thesis writing and its subsequent display in libraries and other resource centers should not be the final act as far as the knowledge contained therein is concerned. This, unfortunately, is the state of affairs in most universities in developing countries. There is need for the knowledge and skills created through research to be disseminated for the better of society. It is therefore through the Postgraduate Seminar like this one that Kenyatta University as a centre for knowledge generation, attempts to make its contribution to the Kenyan community in particular and to the world in general felt and appreciated.

Finally, it is important for the graduates who have participated in this Seminar to realise that this is not an end in itself. Their quest for knowledge should be a continuous process. They should also find alternative ways of disseminating the research findings that they have presented in this seminar.

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