

# Foreword

It is with profound joy that I write this foreword. For one year, I have had the great privilege of being a first-hand witness of the vitality and commitment of Strathmore Law School's faculty, admin team, and students. A salient manifestation of both dynamism and commitment is this fifth volume of Strathmore Law Review (SLR).

Great projects are difficult to maintain once the champions who started them are not around. That is the fate of many commendable enterprises devised to have a long-lasting impact on their social environment. Energy to start, finding the necessary talent and instilling enthusiasm are not small achievements. But equally crucial is to maintain the drive, passion, and quality of the initiative for years to come.

The continuity and good shape of the SLR are only understandable if we take into account how the pioneers designed the editorial board and the editorial process. Every volume requires a rigorous process of double-blind-peer-review conducted in parallel with a one-year internal editorial and research training programme for first-year students. Mentorship by senior editors enables younger ones to acquire the skills, passion, and enthusiasm the subsequent volumes requires.

This fifth volume offers an excellent opportunity to commend and celebrate the pioneers, the successive editors, advisors, authors, sponsors, and all those who have made the SLR real. At the same time, it encourages new generations of law students to contribute and engage in the editorial enterprise in future volumes.

As a peer-reviewed student-run journal, the SLR brings together a wide array of topics and authors from several African countries. The present volume is not an exception. It contains sound research addressing questions that are relevant in the real world and, at the same time, makes specific contributions to scholarly literature. Quoting Prof. Luis Franceschi, the first Dean of Strathmore Law School, 'SLR is a concrete challenge and a unique change to legal education and student engagement in East Africa.' The present volume is a good example.

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