

## Davis & Shirliff Picks George Mbugua as the new CEO

George Mbugua is the new Chief Executive Officer of the Davis n Shirliff Organization after having been a member for over twenty years. Speaking after his appointment to the CEO role, the new boss expressed his gratitude for the consideration as he promised an improvement for the better. Conquering the future.

Commenting that his 26 years' journey with this great company has led him to the obligation of Group CEO from June 2022. Sharing that it's been a wonderful experience to see and participate in the growth the company has achieved over these years, and high honor and a privilege to be asked to lead such a world-class and important business. A chance to work with many great leaders and colleagues in the markets during operation in the continent over the years, instilling a belief in hard work and dedication which is a hallmark of this business. It's extremely honorable to be leading a team of over 1,000 talented and committed people to the next phase of our definitive development.

As part of the Corporate DNA, we have always been Improving Lives everywhere we go, and we will continue to do so through the provision of the two most critical factors of life – water and energy across Africa. It's an honor to have the opportunity to contribute to further building this world-class organization that solves important problems for and addresses the critical needs of Africa's people and is, therefore, a significant player in the economic development of our continent. Taking this chance to celebrate the partnerships that have enabled this growth, starting with our people across the Group, and followed by our customers, suppliers, service providers as well as other organizations and stakeholders with whom we share and pursue the organization's purpose.

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Further thanking him personally for the very professional way he has managed the transition.

In conclusion, Mbugua said, “As we move into the future, I look forward to an excellent, satisfying, and effective engagement with our people as we pull together to accomplish the job at hand, and thereby grow together. I am certain that with a relentless focus on our customers and preparedness to challenge ourselves to take bold decisions we can retain our market leadership and position as the customers’ champion all across Africa.”

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I would like to celebrate the partnerships that have enabled this growth, starting with our people across the Group, and followed by our customers, suppliers, service providers as well as other organizations and stakeholders with whom we share and pursue the organization’s purpose. I thank the Group’s leadership for believing in me, most especially the Group Chairman Alec Davis. I would also like to appreciate those in and outside the D&S family who in many ways have played a role towards building me to be the person I am today. A special tribute goes to my predecessor David Gatende.

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