



Social entrepreneurs receive micro-grants funded by French Embassy

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CRESS Mayotte International strategy expert for Social Economy Djémilah HASSANI and Marie Fidela from French Embassy award Kaya Nuts cofounder Miswaleh Zingizi who became the winner

Image: Douglas Okiddy

The French Embassy in Kenya and Somalia launched “ARESSOK” an initiative that helps to strengthen the social enterprises in Kenya under the Social Enterprise Society of Kenya.

The programme has worked with 100 entrepreneurs across diverse sectors such as Agri-food & processing, Green & Renewable Energy, Construction, Health & Sanitation, Leather, Fashion and Market Services.



*EMotor LTD founder Lorna Omuodo pouring fuel into a stove canister
Image: Douglas Okiddy*

In the ARESSOK Program, E4Impact Foundation is the lead partner in Enterprise Development and Capacity Building of the social enterprises who hosted the ARESSOK – Business OI event to showcase the achievements of the social enterprises.



*Osotua Coffee agripreneurs Avril Angute and Andrew Wainaina showcasing their coffee beans and products
Image: Douglas Okiddy*

The social entrepreneurs pitched their business to a panel of judges and three enterprises received micro-grants funded by the French Embassy included: Kaya Nuts (Agri-food and processing), Onja Foods (Agri-food and processing) and E-moto (Green & Renewable Energy).



Bio Afriq Energy engineer Justus Muguti showcasing food drying machine
Image: Douglas Okiddy



SESOK chairman Peter Oloo samples a piece of cake that is made of chickpea from Onja Foods founder Mary Karuk
Image: Douglas Okiddy



*Iyungo Capital Investment manager awards EMotor LTD founder Lorna Omuodo who was announced 2nd runners up
Image: Douglas Okiddy*



*E4Impact project manager Oscar Kimani and Geothal Development Cooperation director David Kuria
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