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ICPAR Holds Its First-Ever Graduation Ceremony, Celebrating 1,103 Graduates to Date

The Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Rwanda (ICPAR) today held its inaugural Graduation Ceremony, marking a historic milestone in the Institute's journey and the development of the accountancy profession in Rwanda.

Hosted at the Adventist University of Central Africa (AUCA), Masoro Campus, the ceremony recognised a cumulative total of 1,103 graduates to date, including 700 CPA graduates and 403 CAT graduates, representing all professionals who have successfully completed ICPAR qualifications since the first examination sitting in 2012.

This event is the first formal graduation convened by ICPAR, creating a collective platform to honour professional accomplishment and recognise the determination and commitment required to attain globally respected accountancy credentials.

The graduation reflects ICPAR's mandate to develop, regulate, and sustain a strong, ethical, and competent accountancy profession that supports sound financial management and strengthens governance and accountability across Rwanda's public and private sectors.

The graduates have completed rigorous professional training and assessments, demonstrating strong technical knowledge, sound professional judgment, and adherence to ethical standards that are essential to the credibility of the profession.

The ceremony takes place as Rwanda continues to position itself as a regional financial and business hub under Vision 2050, where a trusted accountancy profession remains critical to promoting transparency and reinforcing investor confidence.

ICPAR also highlighted its ongoing efforts to strengthen professional education through the revamped CPA qualification, which is competency-based, aligned with international standards, and designed to prepare professionals for leadership in an evolving economic environment.

ICPAR extends its appreciation to the Government of Rwanda, its partners, and sponsors for their support, including AUCA (Gold), Forvis Mazars (Gold), University of Kigali (Gold), Inyange Industries (Silver), B-Kelana International (Silver), RUMA-CPA (Silver), HLB (Bronze), Park Inn by Radisson (Bronze), Rwanda Printery Company (RPC) (Participating), Kigali Paramount Hotel (Participating), Forever Pictures (Participating), and Classic Lodge Resort Hotel (Participating), as well as examiners, trainers, and all stakeholders who contributed to the success of this milestone.

As ICPAR celebrates this inaugural graduation, the Institute looks forward to future cohorts who will continue to uphold professionalism, integrity, and excellence in service to Rwanda and the region.

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