

Media Release



Tatu City awards industrial infrastructure contract to SMEC

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Tatu City, the 5,000-acre Special Economic Zone on Nairobi's doorstep, has appointed global engineering, management and development consultancy SMEC as the lead infrastructure consultant for the second phase of Tatu Industrial Park.

Under the multi-million shilling contract, SMEC is overseeing the design, tender processing and construction of infrastructure. The scope of infrastructure works includes world-class roads, storm drainage, street lighting, water distribution pipeline and wastewater reticulation, electrical networks and Information and Communications Technology. Work has already started and is expected to be completed by the end of May 2022.

"Following a highly competitive selection process, we appointed SMEC due to its expertise and commitment to excellent service delivery across small and mega projects worldwide," said Samuel Gathukia, Project Manager, Tatu City. "Our partnership with SMEC underpins our commitment to expand Tatu City's international standard infrastructure to the second phase of Tatu Industrial Park."

Tatu Industrial Park, the fastest-growing new industrial zone in Kenya and East Africa, is already home to more than 60 local, regional and multi-national businesses. Industry leaders at Tatu Industrial Park

include Dormans, Cooper K-Brands, Davis & Shirliff, Cold Solutions, Copia, Friendship Group, FFK, Twiga Foods and Stecol, among others.

Tatu Industrial Park Phase 1 is 90% sold. In Tatu Industrial Park Phase 2, Kenya Wine Agencies Limited, majority owned by Distell of South Africa, broke ground in February on a state-of-the-art, KES 4 billion production and distribution facility.

“We are delighted to commence work at Tatu Industrial Park Phase 2 and to be part of a new city development that has catalysed more than USD 1 billion of investment in Kenya in the last four years alone,” said Dave Duke, General Manager, Social & Urban Development, Africa, at SMEC.

SMEC has worked extensively in Kenya on projects that include the Kenya Power Transmission System Improvement Project and Dandora Sewage Treatment.

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SMEC is a global engineering, management and development consultancy delivering innovative solutions for our clients and partners. Leveraging our 70-year history of delivering nation-building infrastructure, we provide technical expertise and advanced engineering services to resolve complex challenges across the project lifecycle, from initial concept, feasibility, planning and design through to construction, commissioning, and operation and maintenance.

In 2016, SMEC joined the Surbana Jurong Group, which is headquartered in Singapore and has a global workforce of over 16,500 employees across 120 offices in more than 40 countries in Asia, Australia, UK, the Middle East, Africa and the Americas.

About [Tatu City](#)

Tatu City is a 5,000-acre, mixed-use development with homes, schools, offices, a shopping district, medical clinics, nature areas, a sport and entertainment complex and a manufacturing area for more than 250,000 residents and tens of thousands of daily visitors. Schools and businesses are already open at Tatu City, and a range of houses suits all incomes. Located 30 minutes from Westlands, Tatu City represents a new way of living and thinking for all Kenyans, creating a unique live, work and play environment that is free from traffic congestion and long-distance commuting.