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e stand at a critical juncture in history, where the urgent need to address climate change, social inequality, and environmental degradation has never been more apparent. The consequences of inaction are severe and far-reaching, impacting communities, economies, and our planet's delicate ecosystems. However, within this challenge lies an incredible opportunity for transformation, innovation, and sustainable development.

Within this context, the partnership between the government and private sector, for sustainability, is a pivotal alliance that holds immense potential for driving transformative change and achieving a sustainable future. We value collaboration and we value our allies – we all have a role to play in ensuring a sustainable future for our children and their children.

While we at the Ministry possess the regulatory power, policy framework, and public mandate necessary to set ambitious sustainability targets, establish standards, and create an enabling environment for sustainable practices, the private sector brings innovation, resources, and entrepreneurial spirit, which are essential for implementing sustainable solutions at scale and driving economic growth.

For a long time, East African Breweries PLC, EABL, has been a strategic partner to the Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Forestry. It has supported the exchange of knowledge, expertise, and best practices, ensuring that sustainable solutions are grounded in scientific evidence, practical feasibility, and broad-based stakeholder engagement.

Through our partnership, I believe we have unlocked new opportunities for investment, job creation, and economic growth.

Together, we can continue to accelerate the transition to a low-carbon economy, promote circularity and resource efficiency, and contribute to the achievement of national and global sustainability goals, such as the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Together, we are redefining the relationship between business and society, demonstrating that economic prosperity and environmental stewardship can go hand in hand.

It is with great pleasure and a sense of camaraderie that I introduce EABL's 2023 Sustainability Report to the public. The report emphasises the significant strides made by the organisation in advancing key environmental objectives. It highlights their commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, promoting renewable energy, conserving biodiversity, and ensuring clean and accessible water resources. Furthermore, it demonstrates EABL's dedication to empowering communities, raising environmental awareness, and integrating sustainable practices into various sectors of the economy.

At the Ministry, we recognise that a sustainable future can only be achieved through shared responsibility and collective efforts.



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