## **COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT**



## TRANSCENTURY REACHES SETTLEMENT WITH BOND HOLDERS

African infrastructure company, TransCentury Limited ("**TransCentury Group**"), has reached a settlement with the majority convertible bondholders, reducing the debt from **USD 80M** to **USD 40M**. As previously announced, the company has secured an equity injection of USD 20M from Kuramo Capital, bringing the outstanding bond debt to USD 20M. The process of raising the balance is ongoing and the bondholders are comfortable with the structure in place to retire the outstanding total agreed debt.

Kuramo Capital Co-Chief Executive Officer Mr. Shaka Kariuki stated: "Our experience in sub-Saharan Africa, underlined by our commitment to building and cultivating local market leaders, aligns well with TransCentury Group's strategy. We are delighted to partner with one of Africa's most prominent investment companies."

The partnership between Kuramo Capital and TransCentury Group is a great match for both companies with a similar view of investing in Africa. This will be a catalyst for, and will help pursue, the tremendous future growth opportunities in the infrastructure space.

Mr. Paras Shah, a partner at Coulson Harney Advocates and Adviser to a majority of the convertible bondholders, commenting on behalf of the firm's clients said "The majority bondholders are pleased to have reached an amicable and well-structured settlement with TransCentury Group. Further, the majority bondholders congratulate Kuramo Capital on their equity capital injection, which was a key factor in reaching this settlement.

The Board and Management of TransCentury Group continues to execute its growth strategy that is largely driven by its Power Division's expansion program, Engineering Division's strong and well balanced pipeline of projects and the Infrastructure Division that will solidify TransCentury's presence in power generation, annuity/toll roads projects among others in the region.

TransCentury Group Chairman, Mr. Zeph Mbugua summed it up: "This agreement validates the confidence Kuramo and other investors have in TransCentury and reflects our commitment to maximizing investor value"

The process remains subject to regulatory approvals including the approval of the Capital Markets Authority and Shareholders where applicable.

By order of the Board of Directors 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016











