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MS. JACQUELINE MUGO ELECTED GLOBAL PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION OF EMPLOYERS (IOE), THE WORLD'S LARGEST BUSINESS NETWORK.

Nairobi, Kenya – June 4, 2024 – The Federation of Kenya Employers (FKE) is proud to announce that Mrs. Jacqueline Mugo, her Executive Director & Chief Executive Officer, was unanimously elected as the **first African female President** of the 155-member organizations of the International Organisation of Employers (IOE) during the General Assembly held on Sunday, June 2, 2024, in Geneva Switzerland. Ms. Mugo will serve in this role for a three-year term.

Ms. Mugo, who has been an integral part of the IOE since 2007, expressed her gratitude and vision during her acceptance speech, recognizing the significant role the organization has played in her professional journey. "I have witnessed and actively participated in the remarkable evolution of the IOE; together, we have steadfastly upheld the principles and resilience of employers worldwide."

She further highlighted her longstanding relationship with the IOE and the collaborative spirit that has defined her experience within the organization. "Our journey of collaboration, resilience, and unwavering commitment has been a source of immense

encouragement for me. Together, we have successfully navigated through unprecedented times.” she said.

Mrs. Jacqueline Mugo, an advocate of the High Court of Kenya and a seasoned Industrial Relations practitioner, brings a wealth of experience and expertise to her new role. She is also a Titular member of the Governing Body of the International Labour Organization (ILO), the Secretary-General of BUSINESSAfrica Employers Confederation, and a former Vice President for Africa of the IOE. Her extensive contributions to global employment policy, including her roles at the International Labour Conference and various board-level positions, have earned her numerous Presidential and international awards and recognition, underscoring her dedication to advancing employer interests worldwide.

Mrs. Mugo is taking over from Ms. Michele Parmelee who has led the organization for the past four years. During her tenure, Ms Parmelee played a pivotal role in significantly advancing IOE's gender and just transition policy agenda, leaving a strong foundation for the new leadership to build upon. IOE members expressed their deep appreciation for the many significant achievements during her tenure.

The Federation of Kenya Employers congratulates Ms. Jacqueline Mugo on her new role at the International Organization of Employers. Her election is testament to her outstanding leadership and dedication to the world of work, and we are confident that she will continue to champion the interests of employers globally in her new role.

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