

# Science Centres in East African Community

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# Introduction

- Science centres hubs for informal education activities, engage in hands & minds on experiences.
- Africa has been lagging behind
- South Africa leads in number of science centres
- Mohamed Hassan advocated for more science centres in Africa during 6SCWS.

# East African Community









# Population profile

- Of 170 million, 50% are under 18 years old.
- An important and dynamic force in society.
- Challenges: unemployment, illiteracy, lack of essential services & low access to information.
- Diminished future hope, high crime, particularly among youth.

# Status of East African Science Centres

- National Museums changed to hands on
- In 2012, Science Centre Kenya started
- Partnership of:
  - Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization
  - Ministry of Education
  - Kenya Wildlife Service

- Capacity building is critical
- Walton Program at Arizona State University
- Australian Award



# Science Centre Kenya Vision

“A brighter future for Kenya’s youth through STEM.”







# Progress

- Indoor and outdoor space
- Outreach program
- Conceptual design has been done
- Funding to date from KALRO

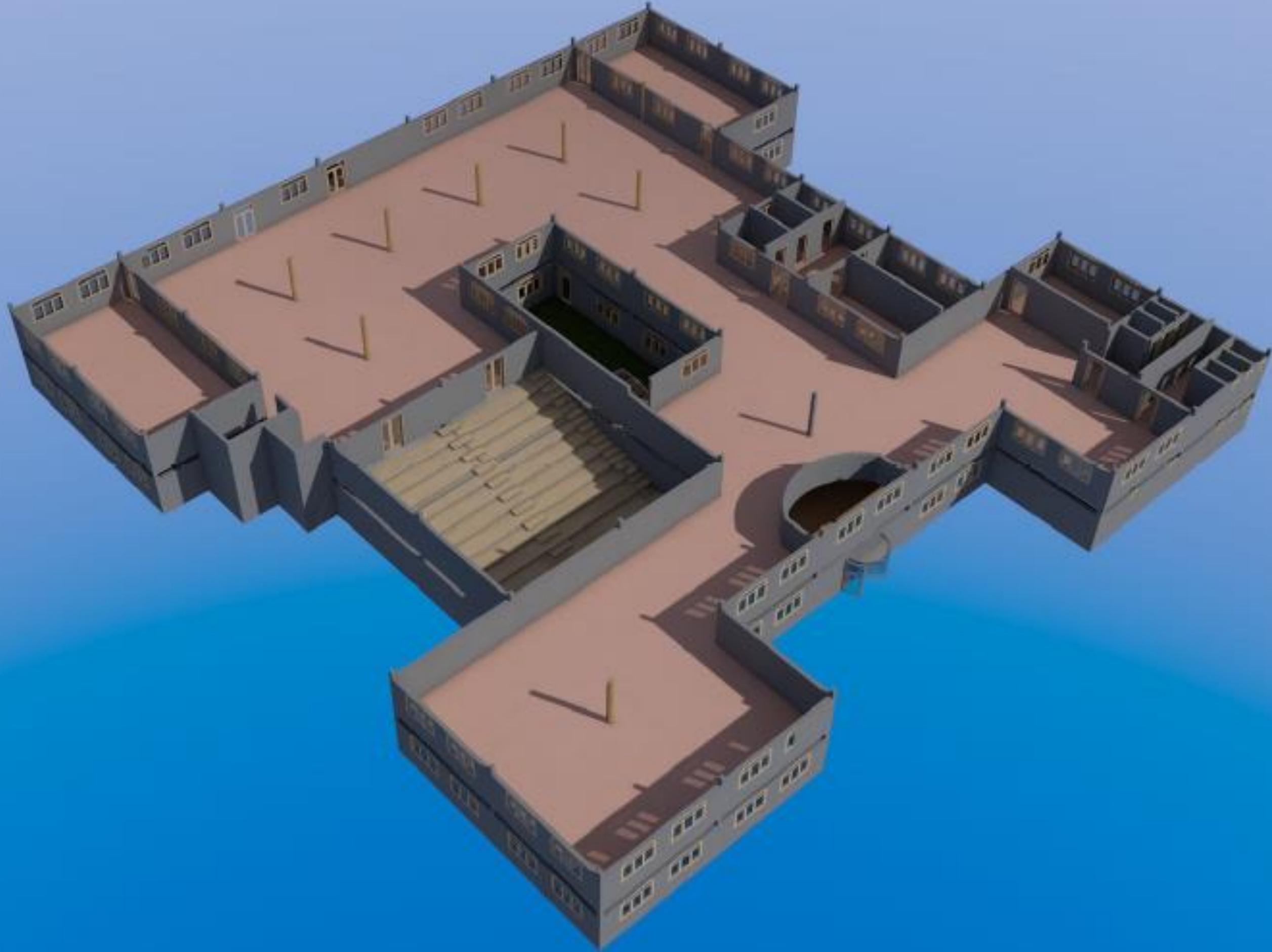


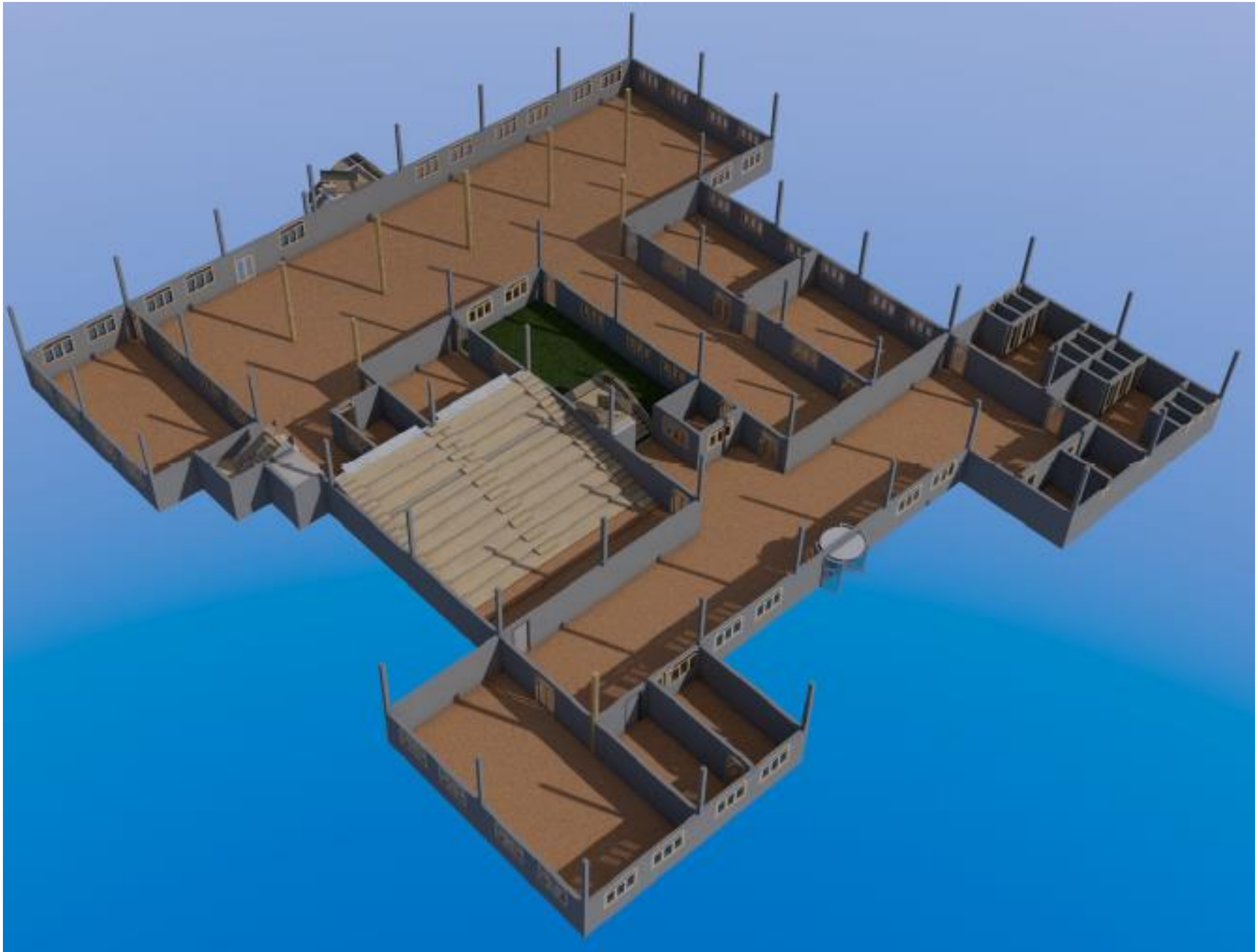












# SCK and NSC Collaboration

- Apart from Science Centre Kenya:
  - The Discovery Centre
  - Source of the Nile Science Centre (NSC) in Uganda-2017
- There are also collaborative plans by SCK & NSC for advocacy in the region.

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