

## FIRST NATIONAL ENERGY MANAGEMENT AWARDS TO BE HELD THIS YEAR

The Energy Institute of Uganda with other energy stakeholders like the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development, Eskom Uganda Limited and Umeme Uganda limited will hold the first National Energy Management Awards on 13th December.

The rising cost of energy coupled with the growing concern for environmental conservation calls for a major shift in the way Ugandans use energy. Energy efficiency and conservation strategies must be made a priority if locally produced goods and services are to remain competitive. The purpose of the National Energy Management Award is to recognise industries that have achieved outstanding energy savings and cost reductions through improved utilisation of energy. The Awards will be won in the following categories: Overall Energy Management Award, Energy Innovation Award, Energy Management Team Award, Electricity Savings Award, Fuel Savings Award, Service Sector Energy Award. Participation in the Energy Management Award is open to all energy consumers including 1) Households and governmental institutions like schools, hospitals, universities, ministries and all kinds of administration buildings 2) Industry and Commerce – large industry as well as small and medium enterprises, hotels, banks, private offices and small commerce 3) Transport – private motorized transport, public transport, freight transport as well as transport infrastructure, 4) Power Generation, Transmission and Distribution companies. Participants have to demonstrate a commitment to improving energy utilisation in their operations through policy, planning, implementation of planned activities and measurement, verification, and documentation of achievements. The event will attract high profile persons including key stakeholders, Parliamentarians, Development partners, Government officials, Academicians, Consultants, Bankers, Manufacturers, SME Entrepreneurs, Property Managers, Media houses, Non Governmental Organizations, Associations and the General Public with interest in energy conservation.