



Draft Program

Ministerial Day 4th September 2023

Plenary 1: Opening: The Power of the Potential

Room: Tsavo

Time: 9:00am - 10:30am

To set the stage for ACS and ACW, showcasing Africa's potential in addressing climate challenges, emphasizing the need for a fairer financial system, and highlighting the road to COP28. The youth and Indigenous People and Local Communities will also present their statements to the Summit. .

Master of Ceremonies (MC)

Moderator: Hon. Soipan Tuya, Cabinet Secretary, Environment, Climate Change and Forestry, Government of Kenya

Invited speakers:

- Youth Representatives:
 - Deon Shekuza, Youth Representative, Namibia
 - Saad Uakkas, Youth Representative, Morocco
 - Elizabeth Wathuti, Youth Representative, Kenya
 - Fatou Jeng, Youth Representative, Gambia
 - Chido Mpembam, Youth Representative, Zimbabwe
- Anne Samanthe, National Indigenous Peoples Coordinating Committee on Climate Change
- Dr. Mithika Mwenda, Executive Director, Pan African Climate Justice Alliance
- Simon Stiell, Executive Secretary, UNFCCC
- H.E. Josefa Leonel Correia Sacko, Commissioner for Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy, and Sustainable Environment, African Union Commission
- H.E William Ruto, President, Kenya

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Parallel 2a: Scaling International Climate Finance for Africa

Room: Tsavo

Time: 10:30am - 12:00pm

To discuss specific instruments that can be used to scale external climate finance funding in Africa, discuss why they are not being rolled out at scale, what barriers exist, and suggestions on how to overcome select barriers. This session will focus on scaling high leverage ratio instruments and reducing cost of capital through blended finance as well as on creating a supportive policy environment to attract green international investment.

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Moderator: Katherine Stodulka, Director, Blended Finance Taskforce

Invited speakers:

- Opening: Alain Ebobissé, CEO, Africa50

Panel 1:

- Hon. Barbara Creecy, Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment, South Africa
- Dan Jørgensen, Minister for Development and Global Climate Policy, Denmark
- Hon. Rania Al-Mashat, Minister of International Cooperation, Egypt
- Mimi Alemayehou, Senior Advisor, Allied Climate Partners
- Denys Denya, Executive Vice President, Afrexim Bank
- Ruurd Brouwer, CEO, TCX Fund

Panel 2:

- H.E. Dr. Monique Nsanzabaganwa, Deputy Chairperson, African Union Commission
- Hon. Ndagijimana Uzziel, Minister of Finance, Rwanda
- Bogolo Kenewendo, Special Advisor and Africa Director to the UN High Level Champions



- Dr. Mohammed Amin Adam, Minister of State for Finance, Ghana
 - Hon. Jennifer Morgan, Special Climate Envoy and State Secretary, Germany
 - Tavraj Banga, Partner and Co-Head Climate Investments, Helios
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Parallel 2b: Investment Opportunities for Food Systems Transformation in Africa

Room: Aberdares

Time: 10:30am - 12:00pm

The session focuses on a unified African vision to transform sustainable food systems urgently, given the challenges posed by climate change. It aims to showcase existing initiatives, announce new investments, and promote strategies for doubling agricultural production and productivity by 2030. Additionally, the session aims to boost intra-African trade, encourage private sector investments in value addition, and prioritize climate-smart and regenerative agriculture to achieve green growth.

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Invited speakers:

Moderator: Hon. Mohamed Sadiki, Minister of Agriculture, Morocco

- Keynote: H.E. Hailemariam Desalegn, Former Prime Minister, Ethiopia and Chair of AGRA Board

Panel 1:

- Hon. Girma Amente, Minister of Agriculture, Ethiopia
- Hon. Aly Ngouille, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Equipment, Senegal
- Hon. Kandeh Yumkella, Chairman, Presidential Initiative for Climate Change, Renewable Energy and Food Security, Sierra Leone
- Victoria Kwakwa, Vice President for Eastern and Southern Africa, World Bank
- Enock Chikava, Director, Agriculture, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
- Stephen Muchiri, Executive Director, East African Farmers Federation/ Pan African Farmers Organization

Panel 2:

- Hon. Yaw Frimpong Addo, Deputy Minister for Food and Agriculture, Ghana
- Hon. Anne Beathe Tvinnereim, Minister of International Development, Norway
- Hon. Dinendra Ruwan Wijewardene, Special Presidential Envoy, Sri Lanka
- Hon. Bärbel Kofler, Parliamentary State Secretary, German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)
- Hon. Mariam Almheiri, COP28 Minister of Climate Change and Environment, UAE

Closing: H.E. Josefa Leonel Correia Sacko, Commissioner for Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy, and Sustainable Environment (ARBE), African Union Commission

Parallel 2c: Accelerating Climate Resilient Investments in Water

Room: Lenana

Time: 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

This session delves into water's pivotal role in Africa's socio-economic development and its significance in building climate resilience amidst challenges like prolonged droughts. The dialogue will focus on the 2023 UN Water Summit's Fresh Water Challenge, the pressing investment gap, with currently only \$10-\$19 billion being invested against a required \$30 billion, and the initiatives from the African Union and the High-Level Panel on Water Investments to bridge this shortfall.

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Moderator: Hon. Prof. Hani Sewilam, President, African Ministers' Council on Water, and Minister for Water Resources and Irrigation, Egypt

Opening Remarks:

- H.E. Ambassador Josefa Sacko, Commissioner for ARBE, African Union Commission
- Hon. Alice Wahome, Cabinet Secretary, Minister for Water, Sanitation and Irrigation, Kenya

Panel 1:

- Hon. Serigne Mbaye Thiam, Minister for Water and Sanitation, Senegal
- Hon. Calle Schlettwein, Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform, Namibia



- Hon. Meike Van Ginneken, Special Envoy for Water, Kingdom of Netherlands
- Hon. Anxious J. Masuka, Minister of Lands, Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Rural Development/Special Envoy, Zimbabwe

Panel 2:

- Hon. Olivier Mwanze Mukaleng, Minister for Water Resources and Electricity, Democratic Republic of Congo
- Rt Hon. Andrew Mitchell MP, Minister of State in the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, UK
- Hon. Mike Mposha, Minister of Water Development and Sanitation, Zambia

Panel 3:

- Oswald M. Chanda, Director, Water Development and Sanitation Directorate, African Development Bank
- Dr. Hubert Danso, Chair, African Union Continental Business Network
- Dr. Rashid Maziira, Executive Secretary, African Ministerial Council on Water
- Omar Abdi, Deputy Executive Director, UNICEF
- Maurice Kwizera, Ag. Regional Director, WaterAid, Rwanda

Closing Remarks: Dr. Towela Nyirenda-Jere, Head, Economic Integration, AUDA- NEPAD

Parallel 3a: Carbon Markets in the Global South

Room: Tsavo

Time: 12:00 – 1:30pm

The session convenes prominent figures to delve into Africa's expanding role in voluntary carbon markets. Discussions will center on strategies to accelerate Africa's carbon credit supply, aiming to amplify its delivery from a mere 2% of its potential to 40% by 2030. This enhancement aims for the trading of 300 MT/year, eventually escalating to over 2 GT/year, thus capitalizing on Africa's potential for nature-based solutions. Furthermore, there's an emphasis on enlarging the potential demand for African credits, ensuring their viability in global markets such as and promoting frameworks for intergovernmental trading mechanisms.

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Invited Speakers:

Moderator: William Asiko, Vice President Africa, The Rockefeller Foundation

Remarks: John Kerry, US Special Envoy for Climate, USA

Joint Announcement:

- Damilola Ogunbiyi, CEO and Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Sustainable Energy for All
- Hassaan Ghazali, Senior Manager, Finance and Investment, UAE Independent Climate Change Accelerators
- Martin Berg, Chief Executive Officer, Climate Asset Management

Panel 1:

Moderator: Prof. Yemi Osinbajo, Global advisor, Global Energy Alliance for People and Planet

- Hon. Soipan Tuyu, Cabinet Secretary, Environment, Climate Change and Forestry, Kenya
- Hon. Ernesto Max Elias Tonela, Mozambique
- Hon. Dr. Kwaku Afriyie, Minister of Environment, Republic of Ghana
- Hon. Eve Bazaiba, Minister for the Environment, Democratic Republic of Congo
- Hon. Jeanne d'Arc Mujawamariya, Minister of Environment, Rwanda

Panel 2:

Moderator: Ariel Perez, Managing Partner, Vertree

- Dr. Andrew Steer, CEO, Bezos Earth Fund
- Lamin Manjang, Vice Chairman, Africa, Standard Chartered
- Angela Churie Kallhauge, Executive Vice President, Environmental Defense Fund

Closing

- Dr. Mahmoud Mohieldin, UN Special Envoy on Financing the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda; COP27 UN Climate Change High Level Champion

Next Steps

- H.E. Ambassador Majid, Director General, COP 28
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Parallel 3b: Harnessing Africa's renewable energy potential

Room: Aberdares

Time: 12:00pm - 1:30pm

This session will highlight Africa's untapped renewable energy potential in the context of global climate goals, addressing its disparity in clean energy investments. The dialogue will focus on strategies for enhancing electricity access, advocating for equitable trade mechanisms, navigating a balanced energy transition, and directing investments towards battery storage and transmission infrastructures.

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Invited speakers:

- Opening: Francesco La Camera, Director General, IRENA

Panel 1:

Moderator: Kevin Kariuki, AfDB, VP of Power, Energy, Climate and Green Growth

- Hon. Abdessalam Saleh, Minister of Economic Affairs and Sustainable Development, Mauritania
- Hon. Ibrahim Matola, Minister of Energy, Malawi
- Hon. Kgosisentsho Ramokgopa, Minister in the Presidency Responsible for Electricity, Republic of South Africa
- Paddy Padmanathan, CEO, ACWA Power

Panel 2:

Moderator: Kurt Vandenberghe, Director-General, Directorate-General for Climate Action, European Commission

- Hon. Sultan Welle Ahmed, Minister of Energy Development, Ethiopia
- Hon. Ibrahim Uwizeye, Minister of Hydraulics, Energy and Mines, Burundi
- Caroline Eboumbou, CEO, All On
- Simon Harford, CEO, Global Energy Alliance for People and Planet
- Tariye Gbadegesin, CEO, ARM Harith
- Sultan Abdulrahman Al-Marshad, CEO, Saudi Fund for Development
- H.E Akinwumi Adesina, President, African Development Bank

Parallel 3c: Adaptation across the Continent

Room: Lenana

Time: 12:00 - 1:30pm

This session will discuss the significant needs and opportunities for accelerating adaptation action across the continent. It will shine light on knowledge, capacity, and finance needs for adaptation, discussing how action is already being mobilized, opportunities for further investments to improve the resilience of people and economies, and getting resources where its needed the most.

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Panel 1:

Moderator: Kulthoum Omari, Africa Adaptation Initiative

- Hon. Yasmine Fouad, Minister of Environment, Egypt
- Hon. Ibrahim Al-Arabi Mounir, Minister of Environment, Libya
- Hon. Michael Usi, Minister of Natural Resources and Climate Change, Malawi
- Hon. Khadija Mohamed Almahzoumi, Minister of Environment and Climate Change, Somalia
- Hon. Eamon Ryan, Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications, Ireland
- Mikko Ollikainen, Head, Adaptation Fund

Panel 2:

Moderator: Mugo Kibati, CEO, Telkom Kenya

- Hon. Jean-Luc Assi, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development, Côte d'Ivoire
 - Hon. Flavien P. Joubert, Ministry of Agriculture, Climate Change and Environment, Seychelles
 - Hon. Adda Brahim Hmeim, Minister of Water and Environment, Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic
 - Hon. Leila Chikhaoui, Minister of Environment, Tunisia
 - Hon. Francesco Corvaro, Special Envoy for Climate Change, Italy
 - Hon. Pasi Hellman, Deputy Minister for Cooperation, Finland
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Parallel 4a: Africa's Green Hydrogen, Manufacturing and Trade Potential

Room: Tsavo

Time: 3:00 – 4:30 pm

This session focuses on Africa's untapped potential for green industrial production, specifically in the area of green hydrogen. The goal is to explore how Africa can leverage its capacity to meet energy demands and foster economic growth through green hydrogen production. The session will discuss the importance of public-private partnerships, investments, trade regulations, and innovation in positioning Africa as a global leader in green hydrogen production.

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Invited speakers:

Moderator: Richard Kiplagat, Chairman Africa Hydrogen Task Force

Panel 1:

- Hon. Davis Chirchir, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Energy and Petroleum, Kenya
- Hon. Tom Alweendo, Minister of Mines and Energy, Namibia
- H.H. Prince Faisal bin Farhan Al Saud, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- Hon. Kgosisentsho Ramokgopa, Minister in the Presidency Responsible for Electricity, South Africa
- Hon. Abdessalam Ould Mohamed Saleh, Minister for Economy and Sustainable Development, Mauritania

Panel 2:

Moderator: Jonas Moberg, CEO of the Green Hydrogen Organization

- Carole Kariuki, Chief Executive Officer, Kenya Private Sector Alliance
- Margaret Mutschler, Vice President, CWP Global
- Nicolas Lecomte, Director Southern Africa, HDF Energy
- Bruh Ayele Terfie, Special Advisor - Africa, Fortescue

Parallel 4b: Investment in Nature and Biodiversity

Room: Aberdares

Time: 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Africa's Congo River Basin peatlands, with their 30 billion tonnes of carbon, are a testament to the continent's vast natural capital. Addressing the global biodiversity finance gap, estimated at \$700 billion, requires investments in nature-based solutions to double by 2025, triple by 2030, and increase four-fold by 2050. This session will discuss the ambitious 30x30 target, confront the dual challenges of climate change and biodiversity loss and the international financing to developing countries must surge to \$20 billion annually by 2025, and \$30 billion by 2030.

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Invited speakers:

Moderator: Bogolo Kenewendo, Africa Director, Climate Champions Team

Opening: Hon. Collins Nzovu, Minister for Green Economy and Environment, Zambia

Keynote 1: John Kerry, Special Presidential Envoy on Climate, USA

Keynote 2: Hon. Huang Runqiu, Minister of Ecology and Environment, People's Republic of China

Keynote 3: Ruslan Strilets, Minister of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources, Ukraine

Panel 1:

- Samuel Jinapor, Minister of Lands and Natural Resources, Ghana and Co-chair of FCLP
- Stephanie Mbombo, Special Presidential Envoy for New Climate Economy, Democratic Republic of Congo
- Hon. Chrysoula Zacharopoulou, Minister for State Development, France

Keynote: Mafalda Duarte, Executive Director, Green Climate Fund

Panel 2:

- Ambassador Luc Jacobs, Climate and Environment Special Envoy, Belgium
- Frannie Léautier, Senior Partner and CEO SouthBridge Investments, Chair FSDA Africa, Chair G20 Expert Panel on Capital Adequacy of MDBs
- Martin Berg, CEO, Climate Asset Management
- Kavita Sinha, Head of Private Sector Facility, Green Climate Fund

Panel 3:

- Ademola Ajagbe, Regional Managing Director, Africa, The Nature Conservancy
- Hassatou Diop, Chief Operating Officer, African Development Bank



Closing Remarks: Joseph Ole Simmel, Masai People's Integrated Development Organisation

Parallel 4c: Integrated Liveable African Cities

Room: Lenana

Time: 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Addressing the intricate urban challenges in Africa, the session underscores the need for an integrated approach to transport, housing, and utilities. Centered on data-driven strategies, the conversation will explore the creation of inclusive and affordable services, the anticipation of demographic shifts, the significance of clear land ownership frameworks, and the imperative of enhanced urban planning, innovative financing methods, and conservation of natural spaces in the rapidly urbanizing African landscape.

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Moderator: Amb. Jean Pierre Elong Mbassi, Secretary General, United Cities and Local Governments of Africa

Invited speakers:

Opening Remarks:

- Maimunah Mohd Sharif, Executive Director, UN HABITAT
- Carla Montesi, Director for Green Deal, Directorate-General for International Partnerships, European Commission

Panel 1: Integrated Urban Solutions

- Hon. Zachariah Mwangi Njeru, Cabinet Secretary, Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, Kenya
- Hon. Judith Nabakooba, Minister, Lands, Housing and Urban Development, Uganda, and Chair, African Union Specialised Technical Committee on Public Service, Local Governments, Urban Development and Decentralisation
- Nouzha Bouchareb, Former Minister, Urban Planning, Housing and Cities Policies, Morocco and Vice President of the Mediterranean Climate House Foundation
- Hon. N.M. Ndlovu, Minister of Environment, Zimbabwe
- Omar Ba, President, Association of Mayors of Senegal, and President, Economic and Financial Commission of the Council of Local and Regional Governments of the West African Economic and Monetary Union
- Saeed Mohammed Al Tayer, Chairman, World Green Economy Organisation

Panel 2: Financing and Investing in Urban Development

- Philippe Akoa, Director General, Fonds Equipment Communal, Cameroon
- Mike Salawou, Director, Infrastructure and Urban Development, African Development Bank
- Peter Ellis, Acting Regional Director for Sustainable Development, World Bank Group
- Thierno-Habib Hann, CEO and Managing Director, Shelter Afrique Group
- John Tanui, Principal Secretary, State Department of Information and Communication Technology and Digital Economy, and CEO, Konza Technopolis Development
- Melanie Nakagawa, Chief Sustainability Officer, Microsoft Corporation

Parallel 5a: Spotlight on African financial markets – scaling up domestic private capital to accelerate Africa's green economic transformation

Room: Tsavo

Time: 4:30pm – 6:00pm

In this session, the current state of climate finance in Africa will be explored, noting that domestic institutions contribute only 3%, leaving the continent vulnerable to external financial dependencies and risks. By examining potential structural changes in financial markets - from green fiscal policies and enhanced pension fund regulations to the establishment of new exchanges - pathways for African leaders to bolster innovation, fortify financial markets, and elevate investments in climate and nature-related endeavours will be highlighted.

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Invited speakers:

Panel 1:



Moderator: Frannie Léautier, Senior Partner and CEO SouthBridge Investments, Chair FSDA Africa, Chair G20 Expert Panel on Capital Adequacy of MDBs

- Prof. Njuguna Ndung'u, Cabinet Secretary, National Treasury and Planning, Kenya
- Hon. Kerrie Symmonds, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Barbados
- Rt Hon. Andrew Mitchell MP, Minister of State in the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, UK
- Kurt Vandenberghe, Director-General, Directorate-General for Climate Action, European Commission
- H.E. Sheikh Dr. Faleh bin Nasser bin Ahmed bin Ali Al-Thani, Minister of Environment, Qatar

Panel 2:

Moderator: Dr. Evans Osano, Director, Capital Markets, FSD Africa

- Dr. Fitsum Assefa Adela, Minister of Planning and Development, Ethiopia
- Admassu Tadesse, President Emeritus and Group Managing Director, TDB Group
- Alexia Latortue, Assistant Secretary for International Trade and Development, US Treasury
- Aminu Umar-Sadiq, CEO, Nigerian Sovereign Investment Authority

Panel 3:

Moderator: Bogolo Kenewendo, Special Advisor and Africa Director to the UN High Level Champions

- Nardos Bekele -Thomas, CEO, AUDA-NEPAD
- Fatima ElSheikh, Strategic Advisor to President Ould Tah, Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa
- Ron Mincy, Head of Africa, CFP, BlackRock Climate Infrastructure
- Solomon Quaynor, Vice President, Private Sector, Infrastructure and Industrialization, African Development Bank

Parallel Session 5b: Elevating the role of Ocean Governance and Blue Economy in Africa

Room: Aberdares

Time: 4:30pm - 6:00pm

The session emphasises the blue economy's pivotal role, as recognized by both the African and European Unions, in achieving sustainable growth. Amidst the global focus on oceans in climate and biodiversity contexts, there's a pressing opportunity for Africa-Europe collaboration in ocean governance. Drawing insights from COP27 and the Moroni Declaration, the discussion seeks to harness Africa's ocean-based opportunities, shaping future cross-continental endeavours including High-Level Panel's initiatives, the Great Blue Wall project.

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Invited speakers:

- Hon. Salim Mvurya, Cabinet Secretary, Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs, Kenya

Panel 1: A unique opportunity to deliver at scale Nature, Climate and People positive outcomes

Moderator: Denise Nicolau, IUCN's Regional Blue Nature Lead, Africa

- Hon. Carmen Sacramento Neto, Minister of Fishing and Marine Resources, Angola
- Hon. Flavien Joubert, Minister for Agriculture, Climate Change and Environment, Seychelles
- Hon. Kim Hyo Eun, Deputy Minister and Climate Change Ambassador, Republic of Korea
- Antonio Pedro, Executive Secretary, UNECA
- Mafalda Duarte, Executive Director, Green Climate Fund
- Arthur Tuda, Executive Secretary, Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association

Panel 2: Establishing an Ambitious and Regenerative Ocean Partnership between Africa and the World

Moderator: Jean-Paul Adam, Deputy Africa Advisor, Executive Office of UN Secretary General

- Hon. Dhoirir Dhoulkamal, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Comoros
- H.E. Josefa Leonel Correia Sacko, Commissioner for Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy, and Sustainable Environment, African Union Commission
- Hon. José Maria Costa, Secretary of State for the Sea, Portugal
- Hon. Ahmed Hussen, Minister of International Development, Canada

Panel 3: Accelerating Regenerative Blue Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Moderator: Nassim Oulmane, Director, Climate, Environment and Technology, UN Economic Commission for Africa

- Hon. Vina Marie-Orlea, Minister of Environment, Madagascar
- Hon. Barbara Creecy, Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment, South Africa
- Liz Curmi, Global Head of Climate Finance and Energy Transition, Global Insights, CitiGroup
- Alexis Grosskopf, Founder and CEO, Ocean Hub Africa



- Vatosoa Rakotondrazafy, Indigenous People and Local Community Ambassador, Madagascar
- Patrik Hubert, Founder and CEO, Sayari Ventures

Parallel session 5c: Investing in Green Transport in Africa

Room: Lenana

Time: 4:30pm - 6:00pm

The session underscores the significance of urban transport in reducing emissions, urging cities to prioritize sustainable modes like public transport, walking, and cycling through well-informed transport plans and clear commitments to invest in infrastructure. It calls for increased climate financing and coordination among development banks to support reforms and investments in sustainable transport systems including aviation and maritime. The focus also lies on policy reforms to encourage electrification and local manufacturing of e-mobility solutions, fostering partnerships between relevant stakeholders to achieve a widespread shift to electrification in African transport.

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Invited speakers:

Opening Remarks:

- Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Roads and Transport, Kenya
- Thomas Östros, Vice-President, European Investment Bank

Panel 1: Green Urban Transport

- Mary Porter Pescka, Regional Director, International Finance Corporation
- Hon. Mansour Faye, Minister of Infrastructure, Land Transport, and Opening up, Senegal
- Allan Munyua, Senior Investment Director, Meridiam
- Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Roads and Transport, Kenya

Opening Remarks:

- Kamugisha Kazaura, Director for Infrastructure and Energy, African Union

Panel 2: Sustainable Regional Integration through Transport

- Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Roads and Transport, Kenya
- Wendy E. Hughes, Regional Director for Infrastructure for Eastern and Southern Africa, World Bank Group
- Angeline Simana, Director, Air Transport, African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC)
- Amine Idriss A. Karama, Director, Programmes (Infrastructures, Industrialisation, Trade), AUDA-NEPAD

Signing of the Kampala Declaration on Migration, Environment, and Climate Change

Room: Aberdares

Time: 6:00pm - 6:30pm

Briefing on Nairobi Declaration

Room: Aberdares

Time: 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Ministerial Dinner

VIP Dining at KICC

Time: 7:30pm onwards



Presidential Day Program 5th September 2023

Opening 1: High-Level Opening

Room: Tsavo

Time: 9:00 - 10:00 am

Welcome Statement: Hon. Soipan Tuya, Cabinet Secretary, Environment, Climate Change and Forestry, Government of Kenya

Moderator: H.E Ambassador Dr. Yousif Ahmed Eltayeb Elcordofani, Director of Protocol, African Union

High-level Statements:

- H.E. Moussa Faki, Chairperson, African Union Commission
 - H.E. Ursula von der Leyen, President, European Commission
 - H.E. Mostafa Madbouly, COP27 and Prime Minister, Egypt
 - Dr. Sultan Al Jaber, COP 28 President
 - H.E. António Guterres, Secretary-General, United Nations
 - H.E. Azali Assoumani, President, Comoros
 - H.E. William Ruto, President, Kenya
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Opening 2: National Statements by Heads of State and Government

Room: Tsavo

Time: 10:00 am - 12:15 pm

Co-chairs: H.E. Moussa Faki, Chairperson, African Union Commission, H.E. Azali Assoumani, President, Comoros, and H.E. William Ruto, President, Kenya

Plenary 3: New Global Climate Finance Architecture

Room: Tsavo

Time: 12:30pm - 2:00pm

The session will provide an update on the progress of new financial architecture and reform proposals from Africa related to climate finance. It will highlight the link between global financial inequities and insufficient finance for development and climate needs, emphasising the urgency of scaling climate finance. The panel will present the African common position on global financial architecture reform, focus on high-impact reforms of existing structures and instruments, and propose priority asks and commitments, aiming to inform key international meetings on Africa's stance on climate financing.

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Invited speakers:

Moderator: Prof. Benedict Oramah, Afrexim Bank

Panel 1:

- H.E. William Ruto, President, Kenya
- H.E. Moussa Faki, Chairperson, African Union Commission
- H.E. Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, President, Ghana
- H.E. António Guterres, Secretary-General, United Nations
- H.E. Ursula von der Leyen, President, European Commission
- H.E. Mostafa Madbouly, COP27 and Prime Minister, Egypt
- Dr. Sultan Jaber, COP28 President

Panel 2:

Moderator: Dr. James Mwangi, CEO, Equity Bank

Opening: Dr. Akinwumi Adesina, President, African Development Bank

- H.E. Sigrid Kaag, Deputy Prime Minister, Netherlands
- Hon. Chrysoula Zacharopoulou, Minister for State Development, France



- Hon. Baerbel Kofler, Parliamentary State Secretary, German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development
- Alexia Latortue, Assistant Secretary for International Trade and Development, US Treasury
- Bo Li, Deputy Managing Director, International Monetary Fund
- Axel Van Trotsenburg, Senior Managing Director, World Bank

Panel 3:

Moderator: Dr. James Mwangi, CEO, Equity Bank

- Prof. David Ndii, Chair of Presidential Council of Economic Advisors, Kenya
- Kate Hampton, CEO, Children's Investment Fund Foundation
- Hubert Danso, CEO, Africa Investor
- Dr. Mo Ibrahim, Founder and Chair, Mo Ibrahim Foundation
- Carlos Lopes, Professor, University of Cape Town, and Chair, Africa Climate Foundation
- Raj Shah, President, The Rockefeller Foundation

Parallel 4a: Unlocking the potential of a Regenerative Blue Economy in Africa and beyond

Room: Tsavo

Time: 2:30pm - 3:30pm

This session will showcase and promote Africa's commitment to developing a regenerative blue economy and advancing the Great Blue Wall initiative, highlight the establishment of the African High Level Panel for a Regenerative Blue Economy and its role in providing strategic direction and policy guidance for sustainable blue economic growth and emphasise the importance of fostering partnerships and collaborations with international organisations and the private sector to drive investments and innovation in coastal and ocean biodiversity conservation for a nature-positive blue economy in Africa.

Moderator: Inger Anderson, Executive Director, United Nations Environment Programme

Invited speakers:

Welcome remarks: Thomas Sberna, Africa Head, Oceans, International Union For Conservation of Nature

Keynote: H.E. President Azali Assoumani of the Union of Comoros and Chairman of the African Union

Panel 1:

- H.E. Filipe Jacinto Nyusi, President, Mozambique
- H.E. Francia Elena Marquez Mina, Vice President, Colombia
- Rt Hon. Patricia Scotland KC, Secretary General, Commonwealth

Panel 2:

- H.E. William Ruto, President, Kenya
- H.E. Ismail Omar Guelleh, President, Djibouti
- H.E. Brahim Ghali, President, Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic
- H.E. Samia Suluhu Hassan, President, Tanzania
- H.E. Faure Gnassingbé, President, Togo

Closing reflections and remarks: H.E. Razan Al Mubarak, COP28 High Level Climate Champion and President of International Union For Conservation of Nature

Parallel 4b: Scaling up adaptation

Room: Aberdares

Time: 2:30pm - 3:30pm

These Heads of State and partners panels will feature African governments, governments from developed countries, international organizations, multilateral development banks, and the private sector, to raise the ambition on adaptation action for the continent. It will provide an opportunity to catalyze new coalitions of partners and initiatives to accelerate action on the ground across Africa, keeping up the momentum and elevating ambition on adaptation ahead of COP28.

MC

Moderator: Mr. Ibrahima Cheikh Diong, Assistant-Secretary General, United Nations and Director General of the African Risk Capacity Group



Opening remarks:

- Mr. Ban Ki – Moon, Former United Nations Secretary General and Chair, Global Green Growth Institute
- Mr. John Kerry, Special Presidential Envoy on Climate, USA
- Hon. Huang Runqiu, Minister of Ecology and Environment, People's Republic of China

Panel 1:

- H.E. Mostafa Madbouly, COP27 and Prime Minister, Egypt
- H.E. Isaias Afwerki, President, Eritrea
- H.E. Sahle-Work Zewde, President, Ethiopia
- H.E. Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, President, Ghana
- H.E. Julius Maada Wonie Bio, President, Sierra Leone

Panel 2:

- Hon. Bärbel Kofler, Parliamentary State Secretary, German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development
- Mr. Achim Steiner, Administrator, United Nations Development Programme
- Mr. Ibrahim Thiaw, Executive Secretary, United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification
- Prof. Petteri Taalas, Secretary General, World Meteorological Organization
- Mr. Rodger Voorhies, President of Global Growth and Opportunity, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
- Mr. Axel Van Trotsenburg, Senior Managing Director, World Bank

Parallel 5a: Critical Minerals for Green Manufacturing

Room: Tsavo

Time: 3:30pm - 4:30pm

This session will delve into the pivotal role of Africa's critical minerals in the global shift towards renewable energy. It emphasizes the need for leaders in mineral-rich countries to strategically leverage this transition to enhance local interests and livelihoods while ensuring a sustainable supply of minerals. By drawing insights from innovative business models within the continent, the discussion will focus on maximizing local value addition through green mineral supply chains. Furthermore, the session will explore avenues for regional collaboration to drive investment, bolster renewable energy capacity, foster local manufacturing, establish equitable trade rules, and promote responsible and ethical mining practices.

MC

Moderator: Mr. James Mwangi, CEO, Climate Action Platform for Africa (CAP-A)

Invited speakers:

Panel 1:

- H.E. Faustin-Archange Touadéra, President, Central African Republic
- H.E. Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, President, Ghana
- H.E. Julius Maada Wonie Bio, President, Sierra Leone
- H.E. Salva Kiir Mayardit, President, South Sudan
- H.E. Nangolo Mbumba, Vice President, Namibia

Panel 2:

- Dr. Mahmoud Mohieldin, UN Climate Change High-Level Champion for COP27, Egypt
- Mr. Samaila Zubairu, CEO and President, Africa Finance Corporation
- Mr. Amadou Hott, Special Envoy of the President for the Alliance for Green Infrastructure in Africa
- Dr. Fatih Birol, Executive Director, International Energy Agency
- Mr. Wamkele Keabetswe Mene, Secretary-General, African Continental Free Trade Area

Parallel 5b: Investing in Africa's Food Systems Transformation

Room: Aberdares

Time: 3:30pm - 4:30pm

The session will showcase a unified African vision to accelerate progress towards sustainable food systems transformation, given the realities of climate change. The session will collectively chart pathways and opportunities towards reducing risks in agriculture due to extreme events, sustainably increasing yields, food production, value addition, and ensuring optimal diets and outcomes from sustainable agri-food systems.



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Invited speakers:

Moderator: Hon. Dr. Ibrahim Mayaki, African Union Special Envoy on Food Systems

Opening: H.E. Macky Sall, President, Senegal

Panel:

- H.E. Sahle-Work Zewde, President, Ethiopia
- H.E. Samia Suluhu Hassan, President, Tanzania
- H.E. Esperança da Costa, Vice President, Angola
- H.E. Sigrid Kaag, Deputy Prime Minister, Netherlands

Reflections:

- Jenny Moffit, Under Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture
- Rodger Voorhies, President Global and Opportunity, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
- Nardos Bekele- Thomas, CEO, Africa Union Development Agency- NEPAD

Parallel 6a: Pioneering the Future of Nature in Africa

Room: Tsavo

Time: 4:30pm - 5:30pm

This session will highlight Africa's unique position as a biodiversity-rich continent, accounting for a quarter of global biodiversity and possessing vast natural capital. The event will bring together the Presidents of several African nations to discuss the economic opportunities and critical role of governments in promoting conservation, restoration, and sustainable use of biodiversity for sustainable development. By fostering regional cooperation and driving transformative solutions, the session aims to tackle nature and biodiversity risks while exploring opportunities in Africa. Additionally, a major funding announcement for African restoration (AFR100) will demonstrate the potential to significantly increase investment in nature across the continent.

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Moderator: Dorothy Maseke – Head of African Natural Capital Alliance (ANCA) Secretariat

Invited speakers:

Panel 1:

- H.E. Évariste Ndayishimiye, President, Burundi
- H.E. Denis Sassou Nguesso, President, Republic of Congo
- H.E. Paul Kagame, President, Rwanda
- Hon. Slumber Tswogane, Vice President, Botswana
- Hon. Themba N. Masuku, Deputy Prime Minister, Eswatini
- Hon. Iván Duque, Former President, Colombia

Panel 2:

- Hon. Anne Beathe Tvinneim, Minister of International Development, Norway
- Hon. Romina Pourmokhtari, Minister for Climate and the Environment, Sweden
- Dr. Andrew Steer, President and CEO, Bezos Earth Fund

Parallel 6b: Adaptation Compacts

Room: Aberdares

Time: 4:30pm - 5:30pm

The Africa Adaptation Acceleration Program, a joint initiative of the African Development Bank and the Global Center on Adaptation, is hosting a Presidential Event on “Africa’s Adaptation Transformation – doubling down through AAAP and Investment Compacts” at the Africa Climate Summit. The event will bring together global leaders from across African governments, governments from developed countries, international organizations, multilateral development banks and the private sector, to raise the ambition on adaptation action for the continent.

Moderator: Prof. Dr. Patrick Verkooijen & Dr. Kevin Kariuki

Opening:

- H.E. Ban Ki-Moon, 8th Secretary General of the UN and Chair of GCA Board
- H.E. Moussa Faki, Chairperson, African Union Commission
- H.E. Dr. Akinwumi A. Adesina, President, African Development Bank



Panel 1: Unveiling the Climate Adaptation Country Investment Compacts

Moderator: President Dr. Akinwumi Adesina

- H.E. William Samoei Ruto, President of Kenya and Chair of CAHOSCC
- H.E. Filipe Jacinto Nyusi, President, Mozambique
- H.E. Bola Ahmed Tinubu, President, Nigeria
- H.E. President Macky Sall, President, Senegal
- H.E. Samia Suluhu Hassan, President of the United Republic of Tanzania

Panel 2: Support for Climate Adaptation Country Investment Compacts

Moderator: Prof. Dr. Patrick Verkooijen

- H.E. Sigrid Kaag, Deputy Prime Minister, The Netherlands
- H.E. Dan Jørgensen, Minister for Development Cooperation and Global Climate Policy, Denmark
- Mithika Mwenda, Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA)

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Moderator Prof. Dr. Patrick Verkooijen

- H.E. Dr. Akinwumi A. Adesina, President, African Development Bank
- H.E. William Ruto, President of the Republic of Kenya and Chair of CAHOSCC

Plenary 4: Renewable Energy and Transitions

Room: Tsavo

Time: 5:30pm - 6:30pm

To delve into Africa's unparalleled renewable energy potential, spotlighting its capacity to meet both domestic electricity demands and become a global green energy exporter. By exploring strategies to harness this vast potential, the aim is to pave the way for energy-driven green growth, and position Africa at the forefront of global renewable energy initiatives.

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Moderator: Dr. Fatih Birol, Executive Director, International Energy Agency

Invited speakers:

- H.E. Mahamat Idriss Déby Itno, President, Chad
- H.E. Mohamed al-Menfi, President, Libya
- H.E. Filipe Nyusi, President, Mozambique
- H.E. Bola Tinubu, President, Nigeria
- H.E. Macky Sall, President, Senegal
- Maimunah Mohd Sharif, Executive Director, UN HABITAT
- Hon. Luiz Alberto Figueiredo, Special Envoy for Climate Change, Brazil
- Ms. Julia Souder, CEO, Long Duration Energy Storage Council and Chair, Global Renewables Alliance
- Ms. Jeannette Gitobu, Director, Women in Wind Global Leadership Program and Policy Advisor, Africa at Global Wind Energy Council (GWEC)
- Ms. Vanessa Nakate, Goodwill Ambassador, UNICEF

Heads of State Dinner

State House

Time: 7:30pm onwards

Gala Dinner

VIP Dining at KICC

Time: 7:30pm onwards



Presidential Day Program 6th September 2023

Presidential Debrief (closed)

Amphitheatre at KICC

Time: 9:00 am - 10:30 am

Plenary 8: Summary and Pathway from Nairobi to COP28 and Beyond

Room: Tsavo

Time: 9:30 am - 10:30am

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Opening Speaker and Moderator: Ali Mohamed, Envoy for Climate Change, Kenya

Invited speakers:

- Simon Stiell, Executive Secretary, UNFCCC
 - H.E. Shamma Al Mazroui, COP28 Youth Climate Champion
 - Elizabeth Wathuti, African Youth Assembly
 - Priscillah Akchapa, Women Environment Programme, Nigeria
 - Selwin Hart, Special Adviser to the UNSG on Climate Action
 - Kate Hampton, CEO, Children's Investment Foundation Fund
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Plenary 9: Adoption of the Declaration and High-Level Statements

Room: Tsavo

Time: 11:00am - 1:30pm

Co-chairs:

- H.E. Moussa Faki, Chairperson, African Union Commission
 - H.E. Azali Assoumani, President, Comoros
 - H.E. William Ruto, President, Kenya
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