



Standing Committee on Finance

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Mr. Richard Stanslaus Captain Muyungi
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Dr. Muyungi is a Presidential Envoy, Global Diplomat, and Climate Change Expert with over 35 years of extensive experience spanning government, the United Nations, NGOs, academia, and the private sector. His expertise includes more than 20 years as a national and key African lead negotiator, coordinator, trainer, and mentor in international environmental governance and climate change.

He possesses in-depth knowledge of both international and national climate governance, finance, adaptation, carbon trading, mitigation, capacity-building, and sustainable development. Additionally, he is well-versed in global climate risks and security concerns. Dr. Muyungi is a member of the Commonwealth Expert Group on Climate Finance, which has facilitated climate financial resource mobilization in the subregion through the Mauritius-based hub.

As Chairman of the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) group in 2001, he played a pivotal role in establishing the LDC Fund, which continues to provide essential climate adaptation funding for thousands of communities in LDC countries across Africa and Small Island Developing States (SIDS). In 2008, as the inaugural Chair of the Global Adaptation Fund Board, he introduced a simplified access process that has enabled developing countries to secure adaptation resources more efficiently.

He also chaired the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Subsidiary Body on Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) from 2011 to 2013 and previously served as a member of the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) Executive Board (2005–2007). He was also a board member of the Green Climate Fund (2016–2021) and is currently a member of the Global Standing Committee on Finance (SCF). At the national level, he holds multiple leadership roles and serves as the Chair of the Board of Trustees for the Institute for Environment, Climate, and Development Sustainability.

Dr. Muyungi holds a PhD in Climate Change Adaptation and Development, a Master's degree in Environmental Management, and a Bachelor's degree in Agriculture. He is the former Director of Environment in the Vice President's Office of the United Republic of Tanzania and the former Director of the Environment Department at the Tanzania National Electric Company. He is married and has four children.