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Promoting Climate Action in Eastern and Southern Africa

Greetings from RCC Kampala

Welcome to our June Newsletter.

First, we would like to share that as of July 2022, RCC Kampala welco mes <u>Mr. William</u> <u>Otieno</u> as the new Regional Lead. William has worked with the UNFCCC Secretariat for over 20 years, including serving as Interim Regional Lead in 2019. We bid farewell and extend sincere thanks to <u>Mr. Suri Mues</u> who diligently led the RCC for the last two and a half years. Suri returned to the secretariat in Bonn, Germany, to support work on CDM transition to Article 6 Implementation.

We hope you find this Newsletter useful. We are pleased to share the Africa Climate Week 2022 dates, location and details. There are also links to several stakeholder events that happened at SB56 UN Climate Change conference in June and a reminder for Parties and non-party stakeholders to submit their views on various mandates of COP26.

We remain delighted to support you with any further information and guidance.

The RCC Kampala Team Your Partner in Climate Action



Visit <u>ACW 2022 on the web to see the latest and register to join in Libreville.</u>

Youth Leading on Climate: Interview with Elizabeth Gulugulu



With the COP27 UN Climate Change conference to be held in Africa this year, RCC Kampala recently sat down with environmental scientist, climate change activist and YOUNGO Global South Focal Point, Elizabeth Gulugulu, to discuss youth leadership and participation on the road to Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt, in November.

Elizabeth shares how she got involved with youth climate advocacy, why youth empowerment is important and major challenges and priorities for youth climate action. Explore the *full interview here*.

Virtual Regional Dialogues on Article 6



The UN Climate Change secretariat, through the RCCs, organized three Virtual Regional Dialogues on Article 6. The Dialogues were designed to debrief stakeholders on COP26 Article 6 outcomes, including the CDM transition, understand capacity building needs for participation in all aspects of Article 6 and allow Parties to meaningfully engage in the CDM transition. Watch recordings for <u>Africa, Latin America and Caribbean</u> and <u>Asia Pacific</u>.

A *joint dialogue on capacity building needs for the implementation of Article 6* was held on 8 June, in Bonn, Germany, during the SB56 conference. The outcomes of the dialogues will be synthesized in a report to identify capacity building needs related to Article 6.

To explore other side events from SB56 on topics of your interest, please visit the official UN Climate Change <u>SB56 YouTube Channel</u>.



COP26 Calls for submissions closing soon

CMA3 and COP 26 called upon stakeholders to submit their views and inputs that will inform and guide the negotiations at the next sessions (*Call for submissions from Glasgow*). We encourage stakeholders that haven't done so to make their submissions on the following mandates

(a) Parties: (i) Methodological issues under the Paris Agreement
[FCCC/PA/CMA/2021/L.21 Para. 10], deadline: December 2022, (ii) Guidance to the GCF
[FCCC/PA/CMA/ 2021/L.8, Para. 16] and GEF[FCCC/PA/CMA/ 2021/L.10, Para. 19], deadline: 29 August.

(b) All stakeholders: Elements of the <u>New Collective Quantified Goal on climate finance</u> [FCCC/PA/CMA/ 2021/L.17, Para. 17], deadline: 15 August 2022.

Follow the *guidelines* to make your submissions. All submissions are posted on the portal. In case you would like to contribute to a call that already closed, please contact RCC Kampala for guidance.

Opportunities to get your climate solution funded



New donor commitments to the Nature, People and Climate Investment Program launched on June 1, 2022, allow potential allocation of up to \$50 million per investment plan.

Calls for Expressions of Interest from countries wishing to access funding is now open until **August 1**.

Further details on the Program, eligibility criteria, country selection process and next steps, can be found <u>here</u>.



The Resilient, Inclusive and Sustainable Environments (RISE) grant challenge is open to registered institutions until **18 July**.

RISE priorities include generating learning on promising practices to address genderbased violence in climate-vulnerable contexts and protecting the rights and safety of environmental defenders, as well as adaptive management in the context of the ongoing pandemic. About six projects of up to USD 400,000 each will be financed. Further details *here*.

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