



Regional Collaboration Centre – Kampala
Promoting Action Against Climate Change

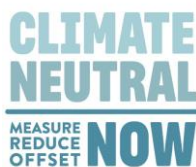
Dear Stakeholders,

We are delighted to bring you our July newsletter that reports on events and activities within the region that are driving climate action. As you read through, you will also find interesting calls for funding and proposals, and how to contribute to global climate action through the Non-State Actor Zone for Climate Action (NAZCA).

We would like to congratulate our host partner the East African Development Bank upon their carbon neutrality. Kudos EADB!

Happy reading!
RCC Kampala Team

The East African Development Bank now carbon neutral!



In 2018, the East African Development Bank (EADB), host partner of RCC Kampala, committed to carbon neutrality. The Bank aims to achieve this through a two-pronged approach. First, having identified that 66% of its carbon emissions are from electricity consumption, the Bank will investigate ways to make their electricity consumption more efficient and climate friendly. Second, the Bank will compensate for its emissions through purchase of certified emission reductions (CERs) from Clean Development Mechanism projects in EADB member states. It has plans to buy CERs from the Kenya Cook Stove Project, the Del'Agua Health "Tubeho

Neza" Programme in Rwanda and the Bujagali Hydropower Project in Uganda. Read more [here](#)

CDM as tool for global climate action



On 17 June, the Executive Board of the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) hosted a side event on CDM for ambitious climate policy. The event was held at the 50th sessions of the Subsidiary Bodies of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in Bonn, Germany, and explored further opportunities for CDM to spur global climate action. You can view the whole side event [here](#)

Excerpts from Events

20th Meeting of the Global CDM Designated National Authorities Forum



On 12-14 June, RCC Kampala participated in the **20th Meeting of The Global CDM Designated National Authorities Forum**, in Bonn, Germany. RCC presented its support activities on CDM and climate finance and the benefits to CDM stakeholders and local partners in the region. The event saw many National Focal Points

exchange views on themes such as Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, regional collaboration, and the roles of Designation National Authorities. [Read more](#)

2019 Africa Regional Ministerial Conference on Green Economy



RCC Kampala led a high-level panel discussion during the **2019 Africa Regional Ministerial Conference on Green Economy** organized by the World Green Economy Organisation, 17-19 June, in Cairo, Egypt. The panel, which comprised high-level speakers from the international Solar Alliance, Egypt, Ivory Coast, African Development Bank and GIZ, discussed the need for raising climate ambition, acting on climate change under the Paris Agreement, and moving towards a green economy. The event tackled questions on how climate ambition, and subsequently actions, can be enhanced on a national and regional level.

[Read more](#)

Official launch of the East African Alliance on Carbon Markets and Climate Change



On 21 June, RCC Kampala and the GIZ Carbon Markets Programme launched the **East African Alliance on Carbon Markets and Climate Finance**. The launch event, held during the 50th sessions of the Subsidiary Bodies of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in Bonn, Germany, provided an overview of the Alliance, spelling out its vision, objectives, structure and activities. RCC Kampala and GIZ Uganda will serve as interim secretariat of the Alliance and kick start planning and activities while a secretariat is being established. The Alliance aims to enhance the long-term position of East Africa countries to participate in international carbon markets and increase the region's capacities to access climate finance for implementation of their nationally determined contributions under the Paris Agreement. Find details [here](#)

Other events

Building the business case for private sector engagement in climate and SDG action

Private sector stakeholders from across Uganda learned about business opportunities and supporting tools available to contribute to implementation of Uganda's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) under the Paris Agreement at an event 18-19 June organized by the United Nations Development Programme NDC Support Programme and the Government of Uganda, through the Ministry of Water and Environment, Climate Change Department, in collaboration with the Private Sector Foundation Uganda. Participants also gained insight into the needs and interests of Ugandan companies in taking action and reporting their impact on climate change and the SDGs from a survey of private sector engagement in climate action. Private-sector stakeholders

and practitioners across different sectors, including renewable energy and energy efficiency, waste management, biomass and manufacturing, and transport and logistics, took part. Find details [here](#)

Funding and Support for Projects

Tender for high-quality CERs: Germany's initiative to offset emissions from official travel

The German Environment Agency has published a tender to purchase 309,358 certified emission reductions (CERs) from Clean Development Mechanism projects to offset business travel. Bidders are encouraged to offer CERs from registered projects that meet certain criteria. The deadline for submission of offers is 12 August 2019. For details, including information on the criteria and how to submit a tender, please visit [here](#)

Nordic Climate Facility: 9th call for proposals



The Nordic Climate Facility has announced its 9th call for project proposals, on the theme "testing the viability of innovative climate solutions". The call, open until 5 September 2019, targets projects that address a climate-related problem and which test the climate solution's viability from a financial, technical, social and environmental perspective. Please find more information, including application guidelines, [here](#)

PFAN accepting applications for funds

The Private Financing Advisory Network (PFAN), a global network of climate and clean energy financing experts, is accepting applications for project proposals. These applications are accepted on a continuous basis and with various deadlines depending on the region (for the third quarter, deadlines are from August to early September). Please find details, including deadlines, at the PFAN [website](#)





The Expo Live Innovation Impact Grant Programme call now open!

The Expo Live Innovation Impact Grant Programme has announced a call to action for grants of up to USD 100,000 and a chance to be part of the Expo Live Global Innovators Community. The programme awards funding to social enterprises, startups and grassroots projects from around the world, based on their potential to impact the environment positively and generate real social value. The deadline for applications is 15 September 2019. Find details and apply [here](#)

Take climate action

Capture your climate actions on the UN online platform!

NAZCA

Tracking Climate Action

Companies, cities, regions, investors, civil society organizations and others are invited to post their commitment to climate action on UN Climate Change's Global Climate Action portal, the Non-State Actor Zone for Climate Action (NAZCA). The online portal gives visibility to and helps

track climate action, with the aim of mobilizing greater and greater action. Find out more [here](#) and register your action [here](#)

Take climate action through sports



UN Climate Change invites international and local sports governing bodies and federations, leagues and clubs to join the Sports for Climate Action Framework. Join

up and help develop the climate action agenda in sports and contribute to key areas with your expertise, tools and best practices. Read more about this initiative [here](#)

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