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Youth and Climate Finance: Unlocking Finance for Youth-led Climate Action in West and Central Africa

English webinar for West and Central Africa

Date: Thursday 09 October 2025

Time: 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM (UTC + 00)

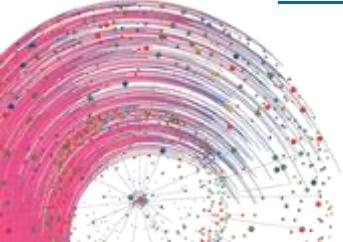
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A G E N D A

Duration	Topic	Speakers
5'	Opening Remarks	Walters Tubua , Regional Lead, UNFCCC RCC WACA
Moderator: Marcelle KPETO, Admin and Project Assistant, UNFCCC RCC WACA		
10'	Setting the scene Presentation Framing the issue: The current landscape of youth and climate finance in West and Central Africa	Bernardin Uzayisaba , Regional Carbon Market Programme Specialist for Africa, UNDP
10'	<u>Interactive Q&A session</u>	Marcelle KPETO
Moderator: Christella Igitaneza, Regional Youth Engagement Specialist, UNDP Sub-Regional Hub for West and Central Africa		
20'	Panel Discussion: Bridging the Gap – From Policy to Funding Multi-stakeholder panel exploring challenges and opportunities for youth in climate finance	Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jane Bevan, Chief WASH, UNICEF Nigeria Country Office - Koffi Fabrice Djossou, Senior Expert – Head of Innovation, West African Development Bank (BOAD) - Thelma Ntow, YOUNGO rep. - Salem M. Ayenan, Africa Regional Committee Member, Youth Climate Justice Fund (YCFJ)
10'	<u>Interactive Q&A session</u>	Christella Igitaneza
Moderator: M'koumvida Bagbohouna, Senior Climate Change Specialist, UNFCCC RCC WACA		
20'	Youth Lightning Talks (4 youth speakers) Short interventions (3–5 min each) by young innovators or community leaders sharing success stories or challenges in accessing finance for climate initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ezekiel Nyafor, Liberian Youth for Climate Actions - Lyzianah Emakoua, Center for Community Impact & Sustainability, Sierra Leone - Esther Ehindero, Co-founder & COO, Trekk Mobility, Nigeria - Miriam Agbo, Founder & CEO, Anatsor, Nigeria, Youth4Climate Awardee
10'	<u>Interactive Q&A / Open Discussion</u>	Participants
5'	Closing Remarks and Next Steps Present available Knowledge sharing platforms for youth-led organizations on climate finance in West and Central Africa	Nadine Rugwe , Governance and Peace Building Advisor & Team Lead, UNDP Sub Regional Hub for West and Central Africa

Opening Remarks



Walters Tubua
Regional Lead

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Q&A



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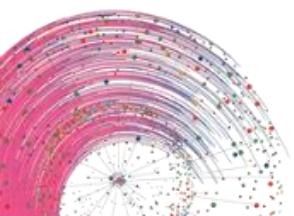
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Q&A



Closing Remarks

Nadine Rugwe

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