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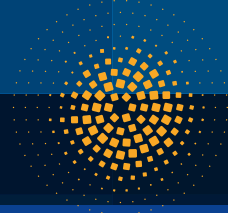


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## *Welcoming Statement*



### **DR MITHIKA MWENDA**

PACJA Executive Director.

**D**r Mithika Mwenda is a Public Policy Analyst and Advocate for Climate Justice based in Nairobi Kenya. He currently serves as the Executive Director of the Pan African Climate and Environmental Justice Alliance (PACJA), a 1000-strong movement of African CSOs advancing a people-centered, right-based, just and inclusive approach to addressing climate and environmental challenges. Dr Mwenda is also the Chair of the Institutional Collaboration Platform for Climate Research for Development in Africa (CR4D). He has extensive experience in climate change policy advocacy and has worked to catalyze transformative change in communities, civil society, and other sectors for more than 20 years. In 2019, Dr Mwenda was named by Apolitical as one of the most influential people in the world on climate policy. Also, Sierra Club, the largest environmental conservation movement in the United States, nominated him for their most prestigious Earthcare Award, in recognition of his contribution to environmental conservation and protection. In 2016, the influential Pan African Magazine, L’Afrique, named Dr.Mwenda among the top 50 African Intellectuals for his contributions to climate policy discourses in the continent.





#### **DR AUGUSTINE NJAMNSHI**

Coordinator- Africa Coalition for Sustainable Energy and Access (ACSEA), Cameroon

**A**ugustine B Njamnshi is a Lawyer with 26 years of environmental/ Forest policy and governance advocacy in Cameroon and the Central African sub-region. He has long experience in legislative and policy drafting in the areas of Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit Sharing, Biosafety, Biosecurity, Access to Environmental Information and Public Participation in decision

making. Augustine has also held and continues to hold several elected positions representing African Civil Society of the environment sector at the international level. He has been the Co-founder and pioneer Chair of the Pan African Climate Justice Alliance 2008-2012 the UNEP Major Groups Representative for Africa 2010-2012, The Francophone African Coordinator of the Access Initiative. He was the African Civil Society Representative on the World Bank's Forest Carbon Partnership Facility as well as the Carbon Fund. He has been the Co-Chair of the African Development Bank CSO committee, 2018-2020. He has been elected to African CSO Observer on Climate Investment Fund. Currently he is the Coordinator of the African Coalition for Sustainable Energy and Access and he also holds the positions Executive Secretary at the Bio-resources Development and Conservation Cameroon, and Chair of Political and Technical Affairs of the Pan African Climate Justice Alliance

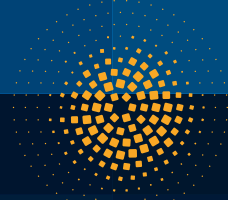


#### **DR. JEAN-PAUL ADAM**

Director for Technology, Climate Change and Natural Resources Management in the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa.

**J**ean-Paul Adam is the Director for Technology, Climate Change and Natural Resources Management in the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa. Prior to taking on this role, he served in the Government of the Republic of Seychelles in several Cabinet positions. He was Minister of Health from 2016 to 2019. He served as

Minister of Finance, Trade and the Blue Economy from 2015 to 2016 where he negotiated a debt for climate change adaptation swap and launched the process for Seychelles to become the first issuer of a Blue Bond. Between 2010 and 2014, he was Seychelles' Minister of Foreign Affairs, where he advocated for countries to embrace the concept of the Blue Economy, to improve sustainability for island and coastal countries. Before entering the Cabinet, between 2005 and 2009, he occupied several senior roles in the Office of the President of the Republic of Seychelles including Director General for presidential affairs, Principal Secretary for the Office of the President and Secretary of state in the presidency. He started his career as a career diplomat in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs between 2001 and 2004. He is a holder of a Masters in International Political Economy from the University of Manchester (UK) and a BA in English Literature and French from the University of Sheffield (UK).



**DR. PACIFICA OGOLA**

Dr. Pacifica Ogola, is the Ag. Secretary, Climate Change Directorate

**D**r. Pacifica Ogola, is the Ag. Secretary, Climate Change Directorate. The Directorate was established under Climate Change Act of 2016, and is mandated to provide vision, leadership, guidance and coordination on matters relating to climate change in the country. It is the lead agency of Government on national climate change plans and actions to deliver operational coordination.



**DR. JOSEPH KURAUKA**

Chair, Department of Environmental Studies & Community Development  
Kenyatta University, Kenya

**D**r. Joseph Kurauka, Lecturer and currently Chairman, Department of Environmental Studies & Community Development, School of Environmental Studies, Kenyatta University. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Studies, Master of Environmental Science and a PhD from Kenyatta University. His research interests include: Climate Change and Variability, renewable energy, natural resources management and sustainable land use management. Dr. Kurauka is also a EIA/EA Lead Expert, registered and licensed by the National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) and has conducted several assignments for major organisations. He has supervised and mentored several Masters and PhD students.



### **SYLVIA WACHIRA**

Coordinator Nairobi Summer School on Climate Justice

**S**ylvia Wachira is a trained professional Natural Resource Management specialist, Regional Development and Management Planner, Conflict analyst.

She is Coordinator of the Nairobi Summer School on Climate Justice (NSSCJ) of Pan Africa Climate Justice Alliance.

She has diversified hands-on-

experience managing development projects, emergency projects and situation, working in covers both normal and post conflict/post disasters situations and in fragile and conflicted area, also proficient in response programming, facilitating participatory, and conflict sensitive planning process, and competent in project design, planning, analysis, and implementation tools and approaches.

She also has diversified experience and expertise on sustainable development, natural resource management, spatial planning, food security, rural community and livelihoods development, resilience programming, climate change adaptation, biodiversity conservation, sustainable land management, sustainable energy related projects. Having worked for FAO, PACJA, ACTS, Africa Union, UNEP, GTZ, ICRAF, Africa Youth Initiative for Climate Change (AYICC), Forest Action Network, Kenya Climate Change Working Group. This experience.

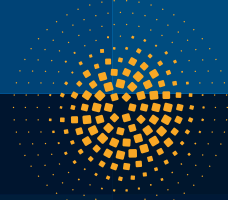


### **PROF. PATRICK BOND**

Professor of Political Economy, University of Western Coast, South Africa

**P**atrick Bond, whose work fuses political economy, political ecology and social mobilisation analysis, was born in Ireland in 1961, and during the 1980s studied in the U.S.: economics at Swarthmore College, finance at the University of Pennsylvania Wharton School and geography and environmental engineering at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore where he received a doctorate in 1993. During that time he also worked at the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia

and the Institute for Policy Studies in Washington, DC as well as two national radio news networks, and he learned politics in the anti-apartheid, urban community and student movements. After moving to Harare in 1989, he served at the University of Zimbabwe Department of Political and Administrative Studies. During the early 1990s he lived in Johannesburg and worked as a researcher on urban political economy at the NGO Planact and with the SA National Civic Organisation. That led Patrick, In 1994 and 1996, to serve as a policy advisor in the Reconstruction and Development Ministry in President Nelson Mandela's office, responsible for drafting the democratic government's first White Paper and a dozen other policies, and he also worked as a senior researcher at the National Institute for Economic Policy. He moved to academia, teaching at Johns Hopkins School of Public Health and the Universities of KwaZulu-Natal, Witwatersrand and Western Cape where he is presently a Professor of Government. He has guest lectured at more than 100 universities across the world, and been involved



in struggles for environmental and social justice in several dozen sites. He currently advises three civil society networks on political economy and political ecology: the South Durban Community Environmental Alliance, WoMin (African Women against Destructive Resource Extractivism), and the South African Federation of Trade Unions. Patrick's best-known work is *Elite Transition: From apartheid to neoliberalism in South Africa*, and among his other books are a half-dozen on political ecology and climate:

- *Politics of Climate Justice: Paralysis above, movement below*
- *Durban's Climate Gamble: Trading carbon, betting the Earth*
- *Climate Change, Carbon Trading and Civil Society: Negative returns on South African investments*
- *Looting Africa: The economics of exploitation*
- *Trouble in the Air: Global warming and the privatised atmosphere*
- *Unsustainable South Africa: Environment, development and social protest*



### **PROF. CHINEDUM NWAJUBA**

Chair, Nigerian Environmental Study Action Team NEST, Nigeria

**P**rofessor of Agricultural Economics since October 2004, is the immediate past Vice-Chancellor of the Alex Ekwueme Federal University Ndufu-Alike, Ikwo, Ebonyi State, Nigeria. He started lecturing in the Nigerian University system at the Michael Okpara University of Agriculture Umudike in the 1995/1996 session. He was Dean of the School of Postgraduate Studies at the Imo State University from the 2011/2012

session till February 2016. He holds the B. Agric. (1986), and M.Sc. (1989) both from the University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria, and a Ph.D. from the University of Hohenheim, Germany (1994), all in Agricultural Economics. He also holds the M.Sc. in Development Economics from the Imo State University Owerri (2007). He previously was Head, Department of Agricultural Economics, Director, Information and Communication Technology, and Director of Academic Planning at the Imo State University. In addition, he has been on the Governing Council of the Imo State University Teaching Hospital. He has served as Adjunct Lecturer and External Examiner, as well as external assessor for candidates for professorial promotion for some universities.

He served as Executive Director of the Nigerian Environmental Study Action Team (NEST) Ibadan (Part-Time). He also was Project Coordinator of the Building Nigeria's Response to Climate Change (BNRCC), a CIDA funded initiative collaborating with the Department of Climate Change

Unit of the Federal Ministry of Environment, Nigeria, in developing the National Adaptation Strategy and Plan of Action on Climate Change in Nigeria (NASPA-CCN). He has been on the Federal Government Team of Negotiators to the UNFCCC Conference of Parties. Some of his works include Assessment of the State of Green Economy in Nigeria funded by the GIZ, the New Green Deal on Agriculture for Nigeria sponsored by the Heinrich Boell Foundation, as well as the Status of Climate Smart Agriculture for Nigeria, Cameroun and Democratic Republic of Congo sponsored by the Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA), Ghana. He was a delegate to the 2014 National Conference. He is Chairman of the board of NEST. He has also served as a Member of the Board of the National Agricultural Seeds Council, a Federal Government Parastatal, and currently represents Nigeria on the Board of the West Africa Science Service Centre on Climate Change and Adapted land Use, Accra, Ghana.





**HON CHRISTINE KAAYA  
NAKIMWERO**

Christine Kaaya Nakimwero is a Member of Parliament representing Kiboga, Uganda. She is the Shadow Minister for Water and Environment and serves on the Parliamentary Climate Change Committee and Natural Resources Committee. Nakimwero previously coordinated the Parliamentary Forum on Climate Change-Uganda (PFCC-U) and served as the chairperson for the 20 Ugandan Parliamentary Fora. She is a member of the Green Climate Fund Designated Authority Committee, and serves as current director of the African Coalition on Green Growth and a Treasurer of PACJA Uganda Chapter.



**PROFESSOR TAHSEEN JAFRY**

Gasgow Caledonian University

Professor Jafry leads the pioneering Centre for Climate Justice at Glasgow Caledonian University. Her research interests include the justice and equity aspects of climate change, gender and poverty targeting, the management of natural resources, the geo-political nature of climate justice and the psycho-social impacts of climate change. Tahseen is a qualified engineer and social scientist and has over two decades of research and development experience. She lectures in environmental management, sustainability and climate justice and supervises Masters and doctoral theses.



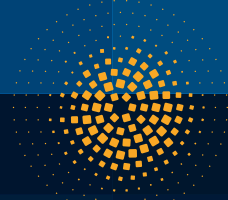
**KHULEKHANI MAGWAZA**

Energy and Climate Justice  
Coordinator at SAFCEI

**K**hulekani Magwaza is a social activist with interest on climate justice issues. He has over 10-years of experience in working with locally based community organizations and international ecumenical organizations. He worked with the South Africa's Kwa-Zulu Natal Province communities for four year; as a Business Studies and Life Skills educator at the World Changers

Academy, as a Peer Educator and Men's Forum Coordinator at the University of Kwa-Zulu Natal CHASU, and a Groundbreaker at the Love-Life National HIV prevention campaign. He also worked with the South African communities on issues of human rights and the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) campaign at the PMB4Palestine action forum. Khulekani is a young theologian, he has worked with religious communities, including the Al Ansaar, World Council of Churches and Lutheran World Federation, he was the President of the SRC at the Lutheran Theological Institute. His focus on climate justice issues has had him working with the South African Youth Centre for Climate Change as the Director, he founded the Green ELCSA, and has been the Co-chair of the ACT Alliance global climate justice campaigns and communications group. Currently, he is the council member of the LWF and coordinator of PACJA South African chapter.





**FRANCESCA DE GASPARIS**

Southern African Faith Communities, Environment Initiative (SAFCEI) Labor and climate

**F**rancesca de Gasparis is the Executive Director of SAFCEI. Previously she was Director of the of the Green Belt Movement International – Europe (GBMI). Francesca ran GBMI Europe since its inception in 2005, after Wangari Maathai (1940-2011) was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2004. She has a master’s degree in Environment and Community from Antioch University and has worked on environmental issues for eighteen years. Her focus has been on advocacy, policy and climate change strategies within a gender and justice frame. She has worked with numerous NGOs in Africa on sustainable development and a holistic environmental approach, helping to ensure NGOs have the support they need to deliver on their aims.



**PROF. SETH OSAFO**

Legal Advisor, Africa Group of Negotiators to United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)

**L**awyer Seth A. Osafo is a Professional Lawyer with tremendous international experience. He attained his LLB, Hons from the University of Ghana School of Law, Legon, 1967 to 1970; Bar Certificate from the Ghana Law School, Accra, 1970 to 1972; LLM, International and Comparative Law from the Temple University School of Law, Philadelphia, USA, 1978 to 1980; and Senior Management Training Programme from the University of Manchester, UK, in 1989. Lawyer Osafo was admitted into the Ghana

Bar as Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Ghana in October 1972. He was a Legal Consultant to the Environmental Protection Agency of Ghana for the organisation of the Accra Climate Change Summit from August 10-15, 2008; Legal Consultant and Resource Person to the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, Addis Ababa for the AMCEN Special Session in Algiers from November 2008 to February 2009; Legal Consultant to the Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change from November 2008 to March 2009; UNEP Consultant and Resource Person at Preparatory Session for Asian Negotiators to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, Colombia, Sri Lanka in May 2009; Consultant/Moderator, UNTAR e-learning course on International Environmental Law, November to May 2011; Consultant/Trainer, UNTAR/GTZ National Capacity Development Course on International Development Law, Bangkok, Thailand, October 13-16, 2010; and Resource Person at Climate Change Diplomacy Training Workshop organized by UNTAR for the Department of International Relations

and Cooperation, South Africa, Pretoria, February 28 to March 4, 2011. Since 2009 until now, he is the Consultant of AMCEN and the African Development Bank providing legal advice to African Negotiators at the Negotiations of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. Lawyer Osafo was the Legal Advisor of the United Nations Office of the Special Envoy for Kosovo Vienna, Australia, from May 2006 to March 2008; and a Secretary/Senior Legal Advisor to the United Nations Convention on Climate Change Secretariat, from June 1993 to December 2002 and January 2005 to April 2006. He was again the Deputy Legal Advisor of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK) from January 2003 to December 2004; Chief, National Legislation and Institutions of the United Nations Environment Programme, Nairobi, Kenya, from April 1990 to June 1993; Solicitor Secretary for the Environmental Protection Council, Accra, Ghana, from April 1981 to March 1990; and Assistant Editor for Council for Law Reporting, Accra Ghana, from October 1972 to March 1981. He has published and co-authored four books.



**CHARLES MWANGI**

Thematic lead for Resilient People, Societies and Economies programme, PACJA

**C**harles is a Climate Change Specialist and a member of the REDD+ program board in Kenya with over 15 years' experience engaging at local, national and international levels. He is currently serving as a thematic lead on resilient people, society and economies program at Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA) where he is coordinating resilience work in 48 countries in Africa. Charles also has a strong background in REDD+ and he has been coordinating World Bank, FCPF CSOs capacity building program on REDD+ in 18 countries in

Africa at PACJA. Charles has strategic management and operational skills in fundraising and implementation of climate change and conservation projects funded by a variety of partners including UN bodies, corporates, and foundations among others; he served in Sustainable Tropics Alliance (STA) in an advisory capacity was a contributor to Low Emission Rural Development discussions in Mexico, Peru, Brazil, USA and Indonesia between 2012-2016. In Kenya, Charles has contributed to development of a variety of policy documents relating to climate change and REDD+ including the REDD+ strategy. Charles was a member of the task force that developed the project document on REDD+ readiness in Kenya. Besides climate change issues, he has interest in natural resources conflict resolution and Mediation and has been trained on reflexive mediation, he played an integral role in development of a conflict resolution course for Wangari Maathai institute for peace and environmental studies at the University of Nairobi. Charles has been member of the steering committee that developed and coordinated the Nairobi summer school on climate justice.



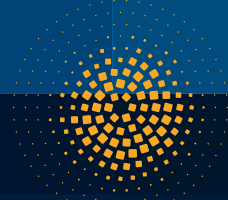
**VICTOR ORINDI.**

Adaptation Consortium, Kenya

**W**orks on the linkage between environment, climate change and development and currently serves as the National coordinator of Adaptation Consortium (Ada) based in Kenya. The Consortium designed and piloted the County Climate Change Fund (CCCCF) mechanism that aims at supporting subnational (county) governments access climate finance and mainstream climate information into planning and implementation.

Previously worked as the Climate Change Advisor with the then Ministry of State for Development of Northern Kenya & Other Arid Lands; Research Officer with the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) under the Climate Change Adaptation in Africa Programme; Research Fellow with the African Centre for Technology Studies (ACTS) and Lecturer in the School of Environmental Studies, Kenyatta University.

He also served as Task Force member that guided the development of the Kenya National Climate Change Action Plan 2013-2017; chaired the Adaptation Thematic Working Group that developed Kenya's National Adaptation Plan (NAP) 2015-2030 and contributed to the UNDP 2007/2008 Human Development Report- Fighting Climate Change: Human Solidarity in a Divided World among others. He has researched and published widely on climate change in developing countries.



### DR. OTIEMO DORCAS

OGW UNESCO Chair, Higher Education for a Green Economy and Sustainability

**D**orcas Beryl OTIEMO OGW (Kenya) is Executive Director of the Kenya Organization of Environmental Education/Foundation of Environmental Education Kenya. She is also a Senior Lecturer at Kenyatta University, School of Environmental Studies. From 2003-2010, Otiemo coordinated the Eco-schools program in Kenya and served as Chair of the Board of the Kenyan National Environment Management Authority. Since 2004, she has been a member of the Kenya Steering Committee for ESD. Otiemo currently coordinates the Faith Based ESD Network in Kenya and is member of the Greater Nairobi Regional Center for Expertise on ESD's steering group. From 2004 to 2009, she was a member of the Nile Basin Kenya Country Environmental Education Steering Committee. Otiemo received a presidential award of the Order of the Grand Warrior of Kenya for her work in improving environmental management in the Public Sector.



### JACKLINE WANJIRU

Wanja Wanjiru, Associate Legal Officer, National Environmental Law Unit, UNEP Law Division

**J**ackline Wanjiru is an Associate Legal Officer within the Law Division of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). As part of the National Environmental Law Unit, she supports countries in enhancing their legal and institutional frameworks through review of legislative and regulatory instruments and provision of legal guidance. She is also involved in capacity building projects related to green COVID19 recovery and the trade of environmentally sensitive commodities.

Wanjiru has a background and

interest in human rights, trade and the environment. She has previously worked for the Kenya Human Rights Commission, the Consumer Unity and Trust Society, and the Kenyan constitutional and human rights law firm, Soweto and Company Advocates. She has also interned for the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Refugees. Throughout her various positions, Wanjiru has implemented several environmental projects and written on diverse topics. Wanjiru is an advocate of the Kenyan High Court. She also holds an LL.M. in International Law from the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva, where she pursued the Energy, Environment and Natural Resources (EENR) specialty stream.

She is fluent in English, Swahili and Kikuyu and has an intermediate understanding of French. Outside work, Wanjiru enjoys the occasional good nap and amateur chess game or can be found wandering in forests and nature trails.



### PROF THENYA THUITA

Senior lecturer Wangari Maathai Institute for Peace & Environmental Studies (WMI), University of Nairobi, Kenya

**D**r T. Thenya is a Senior Lecturer at Wangari Maathai Institute of Peace and Environmental Studies in the area of Biogeography and Landscape ecology and has over 15 years in natural resources management. Previously, he worked

as senior lecturer in the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies as Biogeographer. He has a good experience in wetland resources, forestry and dryland natural resources utilization and management in various parts of the Country. He has been extensively involved in natural resources policy formulation (wetland and forestry) and is an expert in participatory formulation of natural resources management plans including forest and wetland ecosystems. He is also well experienced on use of smart mobile telephony in data capture, monitoring and management and social mapping using geographical information system (GIS) as part of citizen science. Dr Thenya has a wealth of experience in assessment of best practice in natural resources and has been involved in in several areas in the country. He is also trained in conflict mediation. He has also attended several workshops and seminars on natural resources management and policy



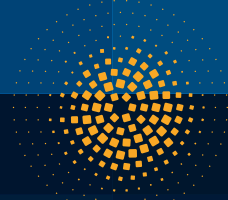
### HE. EDWARD WABWOTO

Judge of the Environment and Lands Court, Kenya

**E**dward Wabwoto is a Judge of the Environment and Land Court having been appointed on 3rd June 2021. Prior to his appointment as a Judge he worked with National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) as a Senior Legal Officer from January 2011 to May 2021 during which time

he was also a member of the Kenya's delegation to the UNFCCC. He also practised law with Omondi Waweru and Co. Advocates as an associate from 2008 to 2010. He has extensive experience in Environmental law, Climate Change Law, Land law, Human rights, Constitutional, Civil and Public law. He has also undertaken several assignments relating to Legal and regulatory reforms, policy review and development in Kenya. He holds an LLB degree from Moi University, A Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Practice and Certificate in Legislative drafting both from Kenya School of law and is currently pursuing an LLM from University of South Africa (UNISA). He has also previously served as a member of the Environmental and Natural Resources Committee, Constitutional Reform Committee, Human Rights/Public Interest and Legal Aid Committees of the Law Society of Kenya.





### **JEAN PAUL BRICE AFFANA**

Climate Finance Expert Actions Vitales pour le Développement durable (AVD)

**J**ean Paul Brice Affana is a Climate Finance Expert in the Advisory Group of the project “ADAPT: Nature-based Solutions for resilient societies in the Western Balkans”, which is implemented by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) with funding from the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA). The ADAPT project is a three-year initiative, 2019-2022, which implements Nature-based Solutions to increase ecosystem and community resilience to climate change and disaster risks in the six European Western Balkan countries. Jean Paul currently pursue a PhD at the Faculty of Sciences and Technologies of the NOVA University of Lisbon, where he is researching on the direct access of Western Balkan countries to the Green Climate Fund (GCF) to enable climate change adaptation

with Nature-based Solutions. He has previously worked as a Policy Advisor on Climate Finance and Development at Germanwatch, a development NGO based in Germany. Through this role, he has coordinated the project “Civil Society Organizations readiness for the Green Climate Fund – focus Africa” jointly implemented by Germanwatch and CARE International. In addition, he was actively involved in climate change-related policy under the UNFCCC and climate finance-related issues, especially in the context of the GCF, the Adaptation Fund and the UNFCCC Standing Committee on Finance. Jean Paul also worked with the Global Campaign for Education (GCE) as Programme Officer for Networks and Learning to implement the Civil Society Education Fund (CSEF), and was the Coordinator of the Com-

monwealth Youth Climate Change Network (CYCN) within The Commonwealth Secretariat. In 2011, he has served as the Focal Point of the youth constituency (YOUNGO) at the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) to support civil society and youth participation within the UNFCCC processes and policy work. Jean Paul also served as Networking and Partnerships Officer with the African Youth Initiative on Climate Change (AYICC), working closely with the African Union Commission (AUC), the UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) and the Africa Climate Policy Centre (ACPC) on youth empowerment in climate change and sustainable development. In 2009 he co-founded the Cameroonian NGO Actions Vitales pour le Développement durable (AVD).



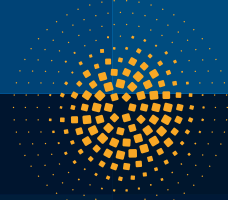
## PRAKASH KASHWAN

Co-Director, Research Program on Economic and Social Rights, Human Rights Institute, Connecticut University USA

**P**rakash Kashwan is an Associate Professor of Political Science and Co-Director of the Research Program on Economic and Social Rights, Human Rights Institute, University of Connecticut, Storrs. He is the author of the widely reviewed and acclaimed book *Democracy in the Woods: Environmental Conservation and Social Justice in India, Tanzania, and Mexico* (Oxford University Press, 2017) and a Co-Editor of the journal *Environmental Politics*. He also serves on the editorial advisory boards of *Earth Systems Governance*, *Progress in Development Studies*, *Sage Open*, and *Humanities & Social Sciences Communications*. Professor Kashwan is a member of the global expert group for Scoping of Transformative Change Assessment by the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES), a

member of the Academic Working Group (AWG) on International Governance of Climate Engineering (2016–18), a Senior Research Fellow of the Earth System Governance (ESG) Project, a member of the Climate Social Science Network (CSSN) established by Brown University, and an external faculty affiliate of the Ostrom Workshop. He is also the co-convenor of Climate Justice Network (<https://www.climatejusticenetwork.org/>), which he co-founded with support from American Political Science Association (APSA). He is also a member of the Executive Committee of the Environmental Studies Section of the International Studies Association (ISA). His scholarship has been published in top ranking journals in the fields of environmental politics, environmental policy, and international development, including *Global Environmental*

*Politics*, *Environmental Politics*, *Ecological Economics*, *Bioscience*, *Case Studies in the Environment*, *Earth System Governance*, *Regional Environmental Change*, *Land Use Policy*, *Journal of Environmental Management*, *International Journal of the Commons*, *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, *Sustainability*, *Current Opinion in Environmental Sustainability*, and *World Development*. He has also contributed popular commentaries to the *Conversation*, the *Guardian*, *Al-Jazeera* and the *Washington Post*, among others. Professor Kashwan teaches courses on environmental and climate justice, global environmental politics, environmental policy and institutions, and research methods. More information about his research and teaching is available at <https://kashwan.net/>.



**PROF. SATISHKUMAR  
BELLIETHATHAN**

Associate Professor, Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia

**P**rof. Satishkumar Belliethathan is a founding Member and Coordinator of the Horn of Africa Regional Environment Centre/Network at the University of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Specializing in issues related to Sustainable Land

Management, Natural Resource Economics, Environmental Impact Assessment, Environmental Law, Waste Management and Environmental Governance, Dr. Belliethathan is a dedicated teacher and advisor for graduate students in the Environmental Sciences Program at Addis Ababa University. He was an organizer of the first conference on Mainstreaming Environment and Sustainability in African Universities' (MESA) in 2008. Currently, he works on fostering partnerships between civil society organisations and academic research institutes in the Horn of Africa region with the goal of improving the environmental governance in the region. Dr. Belliethathan is especially interested in raising environmental awareness, and in fostering institutional and human capacity-building in the field of environmental management.



**EUGENE N. NFORNGWA**

Communication and Knowledge Manager PACJA, Cameroon

**E**ugene is a Climate Policy Analyst who specializes in how climate and environmental changes affects multiple development outcomes, particularly household income, energy access, health, nutrition, and equality. He currently serves as Thematic Lead for Just Transition and Energy Access and as interim head of Communication and Knowledge Management at the Pan-African Climate Justice Alliance. Eugene holds an MSc in Climate Change and International Development from the University of East Anglia in the United Kingdom and an MA in International Cooperation, Humanitarian Action and Sustainable Development from the International Relations Institute of Cameroon and the Ca' Foscari University in Italy



**DR. SAMSON SAMUEL OGALLAH**

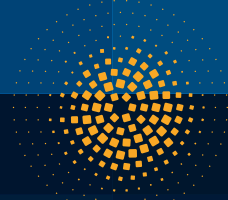
**D**r. Samson Samuel Ogallah is Commonwealth National Climate Finance Adviser. Prior to joining the Commonwealth, Ogallah was the Senior Climate and Landscape Specialist for Africa at Solidaridad Network. He was the Head of Programmes at the Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA) and rose to the capacity of Acting Secretary General. He had also previously worked with West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP) as Zonal Network Coordinator and Nigerian Environmental Study/Action Team (NEST) among others. Ogallah also lectured at the Catholic University of Eastern Africa and Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University. He has over two decades of work experience. Ogallah is a Development and Climate Change Expert, an Administrator, a Certified Management Consultant (CMC) and Fellow Institute of Management Consultants (FIMC). He is also

Board member of some private and Non-Governmental Organizations. A member of Roster of Experts for the Methodological Panel of the Adaptation Benefit Mechanism (ABM) of the African Development Bank (AfDB). Dr. Ogallah is a sustainability professional with extensive international experience, with a broad depth of environment, energy, development, and climate systems knowledge. Ogallah has held impressive full time, part-time and consulting positions in different countries across Africa. He has authored and co-authored several publications including articles, technical reports, book chapters, and journals and widely travelled with speaking and presentation roles at international events. Ogallah was part of the team that produced the National Adaptation Strategy and Plan of Action on Climate Change for Nigeria (NASPA-CCN), a national policy document. He also co-authored

the cross-sectoral issues of the Climate Change Adaptation Technical Report for Nigeria (CCASTR) which is a background document for NASPA-CCN and the Nigeria's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) to the Paris Agreement.

Dr. Ogallah holds a Bachelor of Technology in Biochemistry and Advanced Diploma in Public Administration from the Federal University of Technology, Yola; Masters degree in Development Studies from the Catholic University of Eastern Africa, International Certificate in Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation from Swedish Meteorological and Hydrological Institute, Norrkoping, Sweden and a Doctor of Philosophy degree (PhD.) in Climate Change and Adaptation from the University of Nairobi.





**JULIUS KARANJA**

African Civil Society Observer, Green Climate Fund

**J**ulius Karanja Mbatia has 3-years of experience working in the non-profit sector advocating for climate action at local, national, regional and global levels. He is a Bachelor of Science Degree holder in Management of Agro-ecosystems and Environment from the University of Nairobi, Kenya and a Masters student in Environmental Planning and Management in the same university. He is an awardee of the Joker-Waller Hunter Young Environmental Leaders initiative. He has championed climate justice in Africa as he worked with Pan African Climate Justice Alliance where he advanced climate resilience and responsive climate governance work in the region. He is an expert in climate finance work particularly the Green Climate Fund, an interest he got and developed while he engaged to the Green Climate Fund Board level representing African Civil Society. He currently

is an Alternate Active Observer to the GCF representing developing countries. In pursuit of his passion to inform governance and ensure that climate change is effectively legislated in African countries and ensure support to communities living in climate crisis, he is presently implementing a climate governance project in Kenya with Christian Aid. He is involved in setting up County Climate Change Fund mechanism, a devolved climate finance model in 6 sub-national level governments which facilitates setting aside of public resources by county governments to allow access to climate finance by vulnerable communities. Julius has been a young climate leader in Kenya, starting in his early High School years, and Africa. He has volunteered for more than 5 years in various youth movements. As a young climate leader, he has been involved in global climate pol-

icy processes for the past five years representing Kenya youth in the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change as a young negotiator among other international and regional climate processes. He passionately champions for SDGs implementation within the Youth for SDGs Kenya platform that he founded and coordinates. He is a leader experienced in advocacy, youth empowerment, project coordination and community mobilization. He recently started a blog (Sustain Nature, [juliusmbatia.com](http://juliusmbatia.com)) and is motivated to write about Nature and Climate, providing a youthful voice to the discourses.



### DR. SUSAN CHOMBA

Director Vital Landscapes, World Resources Institute (WRI)

**D**r. Susan Chomba is the Director of Vital Landscapes for Africa at the World Resources Institute (WRI). She leads the institution's work on Forests, Food systems and People which includes forest landscape restoration, sustainable agriculture/food systems and thriving rural livelihoods in Africa. Vital Landscapes work at WRI contributes directly to five global goals:

- climate change mitigation and adaptation;
- reducing poverty and enhancing gender equity;
- reversing biodiversity loss;
- building resilience in agriculture and food systems;
- enhancing access to clean energy for services and production.

Susan is a scientist with over 15 years of research and development experience in Africa. She previously led the Regreening Africa Programme at CIFOR-ICRAF, whose primary objective was to restore degraded

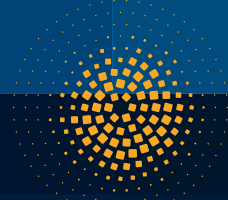
lands by scaling up proven and cost-effective technologies and practices across eight countries in Africa: Rwanda, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, Niger, Ghana, Mali and Senegal. She has been instrumental in setting the agenda for landscape restoration through local, national and global platforms. She is a member of the African Academy of Sciences (AAS) and an associate editor for political ecology for the international journal, *Frontiers in Human Dynamics*. She holds a PhD in forest governance from the university of Copenhagen, Denmark, a double MSc. in agricultural development and agroforestry from the university of Copenhagen and Bangor university respectively; and a BSc. in forestry from Moi university in Kenya. She was named one of Global Landscape Forum (GLF) 16 Women Restoring the Earth in 2021. Susan is a distinguished global ambassador for the Race to Zero and Race to Resilience under the UN High Level Champions for Climate Action.



### RONNIE MURUNGU

Program Officer, Water AID, Rwanda

**R**onnie Murungu is an international development and Humanitarian professional with 22 years' experience spread over 14 countries. Ronnie brings substantial multi-sectoral social development experience as a leader at national and international levels. A researcher and



publisher on various development themes mostly on WASH.

Ronnie is Currently working with WaterAid in the capacity of Regional Programs Manager for East Africa and Ethiopia taking lead, among other strategic programs, on Integrating WASH in Nationally Determined Contributions. Contributing to the empowerment and realization of the rights of the marginalized has been for Ronnie a key driver all through his professional career and an important determinant of the type of organizations he chooses to work.



### **JOHN KABUYE KALUNGI**

(BBm, CPI, LEED G.A., EcoDistricts AP, ISSP-SEA, Envision SP, ARC Performance Pro, GRESB ESG Advisor.)

**J**ohn, a Building Surveyor & Sustainability Consultant, is the founder and Chief Technical Consultant of BESIC Group. John graduated with a Bachelor of Business Management (1st Class) from Mangalore University, India. He also has a Professional Graduate Diploma in Property Inspection from InterNACHI School, Diploma in Sustainable Development, training in Sustainability from BATH University,

Certificates in Sustainable Cities from Lund University & SDG Academy and, Certificate in Green & Circular Economy Leadership from the University of Copenhagen. He is an Accredited USGBC LEED Green Associate, EcoDistricts AP, ISSP Sustainability Excellence Associate (SEA), Envision Sustainability Professional (ENV SP) and GRESB ESG consultant.

John is the immediate past CEO Kenya GreenBuildingSociety-KGBS and where he also served as Vice Chairperson & Head of the Advocacy Committee for 5½ years. He was instrumental in shaping the organization's progress from a prospective member of the World Green Building Council to an established GBC under the WGBC. In all, John has a combined 17 years' experience in providing professional technical assistance in land management, property condition assessment, real estate technical due diligence, asset & facilities management, sustainable cities, Sustainable neighbourhoods, sustainable infrastructure, circular economy and, Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG) consulting throughout East Africa. John has

worked with Governments, Counties, property owners, developers, corporations, associations and, cultural institutions around East Africa. Through his technical experience, John has optimized net worth of his clients' property portfolio by protecting the integrity of their assets and integration of sustainability and resilience into real estate and business to future proof against disruptive trends. This has saved his clients millions of shillings. John serves as a member of the National Construction Authority's Alternative Building Materials & Technologies Committee and the Construction Waste Management Research Committee. He is also a renowned green building article contributor for the National Construction Authority (NCA) quarterly magazine, The Association of Construction Managers of Kenya (ACMK) Building Today magazine. As well as his consultancy work at BESIC Group, He is a member of International Association of Certified Home inspectors (InterNACHI), Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure (ISI) and The International Society of Sustainability Professionals (ISSP).



### **RHODA BOATENG**

Program Officer, Africa Labor Research and Education Institute (ALREI)/ ITUC-Africa, Togo

**A**n advocate for environmental sustainability, social justice, sustainable development, social movement building, grassroots and youth empowerment; Ms. Boateng coordinates ITUC-Africa's work on Climate Change and Just Transition with focus on training and developing capacities on climate change issues, policy development, lobbying and advocacy, design and implementation of campaigns on climate issues. She represents Workers and Trade

Unions within the Major Groups and Stakeholder Forum (MGSF) within the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) and leads the Africa Trade Union Delegation at the level of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) during the Conference of Parties (COP) and other related meetings. The Africa Regional Organisation of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC-Africa) represents 17 million workers around the continent and is headquartered in Lome, Togo. The organization is part of the ITUC which is headquartered in Brussels and represents 200 million workers in 163 countries and territories and has 332 national affiliates.

Ms. Boateng is passionate about development economics and seeks to see Africa play a meaningful role in global development whilst pursuing the AU Agenda 2063 for sustainable development of the African continent. She holds a Bachelors of Arts in Psychology and French and a Master's Degree in Labor Policies and Globalization from the University of Kassel and Berlin School of Economics and Law in Germany. She is currently a Member of Africans Rising and served as a Board Member of the Movement between 2016 - 2020.



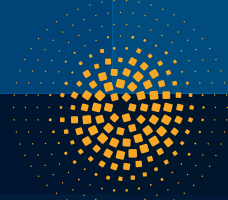
### **MARTIN MUBISI**

Policy and Advocacy Officer Fair Trade Africa

**M**artin Mubisi is a passionate advocacy and international development practitioner with over 15 years extensive experience in advocacy, capacity development, external relations and partnership management and program management. He has designed and implemented complex integrated projects involving multiple partners

across countries in Eastern and Southern Africa region and covering a wide range of thematic areas including HIV and AIDS, women's rights, climate change, livelihood support, health and social protection. He has over 15 years of professional experience working with both development and humanitarian programs in the region, working with a range of issues and population groups including children, youth, women, older persons and farmers. He has held various roles with a number of organizations- HelpAge Kenya, HelpAge International (ARDC), Oxfam GB and most recently Fairtrade Africa where he has built regional, national and sub-national capacity by bringing evidence from research and practice to bear on decision-making and to improve service delivery. Martin holds a Master of Arts Degree in Social Development and Management from Maseno University, a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Moi University.





**SALINA SANOU**

Head of Programs PACJA

**S**alina Sanou is a renowned pan African policy and advocacy expert with many years of experience in strategic partnership development, research and programme work. Over the years Sanou has led programming processes that have resulted in building effective linkages between grassroots realities and national, regional and global policies and vice versa.

Currently, Sanou is the Head of Programmes at PACJA, overseeing a programme mirroring three thematic areas namely Resilient

People, Societies and Economises; Just Transition and Energy Access and Climate Finance.

Prior to joining PACJA, Sanou has worked across the African continent for various organizations including the Agency for Cooperation and Research in Development (ACORD), Forum of African Women's Educationalists (FAWE), CARE International, Oxfam International and the UN Millennium Project. Sanou has a strong Gender and Women's Rights background and has developed several models including the Animatrice Model for getting girls enrol in school and an agri-business model of shared value to economically empower women. Through her work, Sanou has learned that community-owned responses exist and work, what communities need is support and facilitation for more effective and holistic responses.

She has authored many publications and position papers including "Pastoralist Education in Mali and Niger"; "Pastoralist schools in Mali: Gendered Roles and Curriculum Realities" and "Beyond Access: Transforming Policy and Practice for Gender Equality in Education."

Sanou is a graduate of both University of Nairobi, Kenya and McGill University, Canada.



**BERNARD ONYANGO, PHD**

Senior Research and Policy Analyst and BUILD Project PED Director, African Institute for Development Policy (AFIDEP)

**B**ernard is a Senior Research and Policy Analyst and the BUILD Program PED Director at the African Institute for Development Policy (AFIDEP). His role includes the synthesis of research evidence and its translation into various

policy relevant formats to enhance research uptake to impact policy and program implementation. He also plays a critical role in shaping and implementing the communication and advocacy agenda at AFIDEP and leads engagements with stakeholders around Africa. His recent work has focused on the demographic dividend across Africa and advocating for multisectoral integrated approaches to Population Environment and Development (PED) for sustainable development.

Bernard obtained his Doctorate and Master's degrees from Brown University and previously worked at the Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI) & US Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Research and Public Health Collaboration Demographic Surveillance System in Kenya. He is a member of International Union of the Scientific Study of Populations (IUSSP), Union for African Population Studies (UAPS) and the Population Association of America (PAA).



### **ROBERT MUTHAMI**

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### **MARGARETHA WEWERINKE SINGH**

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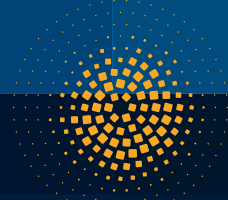
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also an Attorney at Blue Ocean Law, a boutique international law firm based in Guam specialising in human and indigenous rights, self-determination and environmental justice. Prior to joining Leiden University, Margaretha was a Senior Lecturer in Environmental Law at the University of the South Pacific (USP) School of Law in Port Vila, Vanuatu where she coordinated USP's environmental law programme.

Margaretha's work builds on more than a decade of activism and involvement in legal processes related to sustainable development, climate change and human rights. Amongst other things, she has acted as a legal adviser to governments at international climate change negotiations, represented NGOs at the UN Human Rights Council, and advised the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights and the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights' Regional Office for the Pacific on human rights and climate justice. She currently leads the project 'Climate Justice through the Courts', which examines the effectiveness

and potential drawbacks of rights-based climate litigation. She also coordinates the IUCN WCEL Climate Change Specialist Group project Fighting Climate Change: A Best Practice Guide for Judges and Courts (with Sarah Mead), which will identify best practice in the adjudication of climate change.

Margaretha holds a PhD in Law from the European University Institute, a European Master's in Human Rights and Democratisation from the European Inter-University Centre on Human Rights and Democratisation, a Graduate LLB from Nottingham Law School and a BA (Philosophy) and BSc (Cultural Anthropology & Development Studies) from the Radboud University. She received a Lord Justice Holker Award from the Honourable Society of Gray's Inn (London) and was called to the Bar of England and Wales in 2014. She is a member of the Editorial Board of the Asia Pacific Journal of Environmental Law and serves on the Board of the Climate Justice Fund (UK) and the Stop Ecocide Foundation (Netherlands).



### **DAPHNE BUKIRWA**

Gender and Safeguards Officer,  
International Gender Champions  
Network

**D**aphne Bukirwa is a Gender and Safeguards Officer at the United Nations Environment Programme in Nairobi, Kenya, where she mainstreams gender in UNEP's projects and programmes. She is also the Hub Coordinator of the International Gender Champions Hub in Nairobi.

Prior to this, Daphne worked at the Uganda National Roads Authority where she integrated environmental and social safeguards in road construction and rehabilitation projects. She has also previously worked with the World Wildlife Fund for Nature and Makerere University in Uganda.

Ms. Bukirwa holds a Bachelors in Environmental Science from Makerere University and a Masters in Environment and Development from the London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London.



### **MEMORY KACHABWA**

Executive Director, African Women  
Development and Communication  
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**NISREEN ELSAIM**

Chair, UN Secretary General's Youth Advisory Committee on Climate Change

**N**isreen Elsaïm is an environmental and climate activist, started activism in 2012, with a Bachelor's degree in physics from the University of Khartoum, Sudan. She pursued her master's degree in renewable

energy from the same University. General coordinator for Youth and Environment - Sudan (YES) platform to give all environment working youth the networking they need. Also, Ms. Elsaïm is the Chair of Sudan Youth Organization on Climate Change (SYOCC) which youth-led organization. As part of many regional and international platforms Nisreen Led and mentored large number of young people with in YOUNGO, PACJA, Abu Dhabi youth Voices, and others. Nisreen is also a junior negotiator with the African Group of Negotiators in technology transfer. focusing on the policies of countries regarding climate change and renewable energies. Written several policy papers in climate change, renewable energy, gender and youth empowerment. Was recently chosen to chair the UN Secretary General youth adviser on climate change along with 6 other young climate activists.

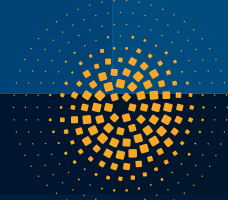


**FR CYRUS MWANGI**

Jesuit School of theology, Hekima University College

**M**y name is Fr. Cyrus Gichuhi Mwangi SJ. I am a Kenyan Catholic priest belonging to the Society of Jesus (Jesuits). I am currently lecturing Sacred Scriptures at Hekima University College, Affiliated to Catholic university of Eastern Africa. I hold a bachelor's Degree in Education Arts (Mathematics and Business studies from Kenyatta University) (2003-2007), M.A Philosophy from Loyola College Chennai India, a college of Madras University (2010-2012). Bachelor of Theology From Catholic University of Eastern Africa (2014-2017). Licentiate in Sacred Scripture (SSL) from Pontifical Biblical Institute Rome (2017-2021). I have great interests to ecological related matters, in my Licentiate thesis I focused on the topic " Non-Human Creation, As prophets For God's People? An exegetical-Ecological Reading of Isaiah 18".





### **HENRY HERMAN NEONDO**

Communications Advisor, PACJA

**H**enry Neondo is a strategic communication specialist currently consulting for the Pan African Climate Justice Alliance. Coming from journalist background Neondo is widely published in his native Country Kenya, in East Africa and globally. He has developed

and implemented communication strategies for some leading institutions including the HelpAge International, African Academy of Sciences, Uganda Reach the Aged Association (URAA), HealthNet Uganda, Kenya Climate Justice Women Champions (KCJWC), and the Climate Change Network of Kenya.

A lover of nature and philanthropy, Neondo has in the spirit of Ubuntu supported vulnerable grassroots communities in Kenya, Uganda, Malawi, Tanzania, and Mozambique raise their voices in public policy discourse.

Currently pursuing a PhD in Climate Change Communication, Neondo published his MA thesis on Framing of Climate Change Stories in the Kenyan Daily Newspapers and the contribution of that framing to climate change advocacy in some leading journals in Kenya and abroad.



### **MERCY GICHERU**

**M**ercy Gicheru is a Kenyan researcher on Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation and Development Nexus. Ms. Gicheru holds an MSc. climate change and development from the University to Cape Town, South Africa and an honors degree in Disaster Mitigation and Sustainable Development. She has three years of experience in the NGO sector and has worked with Organizations such as the Kenya Meteorological Department, The United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) and Pan Africa Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA). In addition to her research background, Ms. Gicheru is also growing her portfolio within the climate advocacy space through project fundraising, management and implementation. She's a co-Coordinator of the Nairobi Summer School on Climate Justice (NSSCJ) by Pan Africa Climate Justice Alliance and the current East Africa Regional Coordinator for the African Youth initiative on Climate Change (AYICC).



### PETER WAWERU WANGAI

**P**eter is a Kenyan citizen. Currently he is a lecturer and departmental examinations coordinator at Kenyatta University. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Environmental Studies and Community Development from Kenyatta University and a Master's degree in Sustainable Resources Management from the Technical

University of Munich, Germany. His doctoral scholarly work at Kiel University, Germany concentrated on ecosystems management and ecosystem services mapping and assessment. Peter's expertise is on human-environmental systems, ecosystem services mapping/assessment, sustainability and community development with a biased focus on urban and peri-urban ecosystems. Beyond teaching and research, Peter is an academic author, scientific journal reviewer and a consultant. He has previously consulted for UN-ILO, Greenpeace Africa, and Civil Environmental Rights Groups as the Principal Investigator (PI). Peter has four ongoing research projects namely: the UNESCO-Kenyatta University project entitled 'Higher Education Development for Green Economy and Sustainability

(HEDGES)' where he is a member of the Technical Working Group; 'Building Urban Community Networks for Sustainable Cities in Africa (UComNetSus-Africa)' where he is the Consortium Lead; 'Building Capacities of Local Practitioners for the Assessment of the Dynamics of Ecosystems in the Emerging Coastal Towns in the WIO Region' funded by WIOMSA, where he is a PI; and 'Connecting agropastoral food culture research to livestock conflicts and commercialisation policy' funded by IDS-UK, where he is a co-PI. He is an active member of professional networks such as AlterNet, CIM/PMD, KAAD-Association of Scholars from East Africa (KASEA), National Geographic Society, Society of Conservation Biology, Belmont Forum, Future Earth and GSF-PtP.



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