Annual Project Reporting Template

Project Title: Deepening African Civil Society Engagement in International Post-Paris Climate Change Dialogue and Response Strategies.

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Report Period (Year): 2019

1. Project Description (One Paragraph)

   The Project aims at uniting the Kenyan Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) and Non State Actors (NSA) to engage properly in the Post-Paris engagement and continued to ensure that CSOs in Kenya working on Climate Change are united, this is achieved by providing a platform to bring together and coalescing them under one umbrella called Kenya Platform for Climate Governance (KPCG) a platform that they join to lobby and push for their issues with a singular voice. Their capacity is enhanced by continued capacity building on climate response mechanisms anchored in the National Determined Contributions (NDCs) and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) specific the Conference of the Parties (COP) process. The platform links local initiatives of its members within the platform with the international process by conducting studies each year per thematic areas that are relevant to Kenya.

2. Operating context (For the year)

   KPCG is cognizant of the myriad of challenges the CSOs in Kenya working to respond to climate change face, the biggest challenge has been working in silos or disjointed hence pulling from different directions, being a time that the new National Climate Change Action Plan for 2018-2022 has just been finalized the CSOs ought to work together to deal with these challenges and opportunities that the Action plan offers. This is also a period that Kenya seeks to review her NDCs to communicate its new ambitions to the UNFCCC in the coming year of 2020, this year served a greater opportunity to enhance the capacity of all the of KPCG to engage properly in the preparation of the subsequent NDCs, this is cognizant to the fact that the first NDCs drafting process wasn’t as interactive, inclusive and consultative like it ought to have been hence this becomes our opportunity to involve the Climate Change Directorate (CCD) and ensure that the views of KPCG are taken into account.

   KPCG is aware of the funding opportunities that exist within the climate financing mechanism that exist within the country but the problem being access to this funding opportunities. The platform had the mandate to train its members and ensure they have enough capacity to access the funds and or monitor how the funds were being utilized by the entities that have received the funding. This being the year that KPCG needed to strengthen and strategically map out partners within the country it was key that it cultivates its relationship with the government especially the line ministries; the Ministry of Environment and Forestry and the CCD to ensure well-coordinated climate governance mechanism within the country to ensure that the interests of KPCG aligns with the interest of all sector player.

   KPCG had to curve its own identity not to be linked only or referred to PACJA who are the continental umbrella body that KPCG belong to as the Kenyan entity KPCG should endeavor to recruit members who serve to build up on the objective that they had initially.
### 3. Activities implemented during the year

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<td><strong>Activity 1: KPCG study on Climate Governance in Kenya.</strong></td>
<td>The TORs for the study have been developed after a meeting organized for the platform members to analyze past reports and studies undertaken to help pick which areas to focus on, the process of procuring an academic institution to undertake the study is in the pipeline. The documents have been forwarded to management for perusal and approval.</td>
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<td><strong>Activity 2: PACIA and its organs have the capacities to effectively engage in Post-Paris dialogue and response strategies related SDGs</strong></td>
<td>KPCG has held both the Post-COP24 to discuss and assess the outcomes of COP24 and held a Pre-COP25 to prepare adequately for the upcoming COP25 that is happening in Madrid. The platform has also held a series of meetings of the Steering Committee (SC) on a monthly basis to discuss and keep track of the progress of the platform.</td>
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<td><strong>Activity 3: African CSOs empowered to hold their government accountable on the domestication of UNFCCC Agreements and decisions</strong></td>
<td>KPCG has held a series of demos (The Anti-Coal March) which lobbied the government to stop investing and moving forward with the Lamu Coal fired Plant that would increase the amount of carbon emissions for Kenya when it has promised through the NDCs to cut emissions by 30%. KPCG gave press statements to lobby to counter the government position that was somehow derogatory about Coal this led to a meeting with the Chinese Envoy to shed light on Chinese involvement in the project.</td>
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<td><strong>Activity 4: African CSOs participate and influence states in Post-Paris Climate change dialogues in the context of SDGs</strong></td>
<td>KPCG is the representative for SDG 7 in the SDGs Kenya forum which represents CSOs in the process of Voluntary National reviews and reporting. This year KPCG was part of the team that submitted the CSOs views towards the development of the National Review process. The platform held a two week action online discussion for each SDG spearheaded by the youths in the platform.</td>
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<td><strong>Activity 5: Public awareness raised and African CSOs mobilized and empowered to engage in Post-Paris climate change dialogues and response strategies in the context of SDGs</strong></td>
<td>The platform held trainings in the six regional economic blocks that cluster the counties training them on how to access the available climate finance opportunities with specifications of the Green Climate Fund (GCF) and the Adaptation Fund. The platform has held campaigns to empower the members to understand the link between SDGs and Climate Governance.</td>
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### 4. Any other outcomes / results realized by the project that are not necessarily linked to activities implemented during this specific year.

- The platform managed to launch five county KPCG chapters namely; Kitui, Tharaka Nithi, Embu, Kwale and Marsabit, this was made possible by the collaboration between KPCG and other projects being implemented in the country by other projects that do not directly link with Sida sub-grant and the Deepening Democracy Project that directly funded the platforms work.
- The platform cultivated a good relationship with the Kenya Industrial Institute (KIE) helping monitor the innovations and climate proofing them so that they adhere to the required environment standards and encourage them to embrace the.
5. Challenges encountered

Describe any challenges encountered and how they were mitigated

- Managing the interests of the platform members has been one of the challenges that the platform has experienced to the extent that members felt like there are two tiers of membership those close to the secretariat and those whose voice only stops at the secretariat. This was echoed by the report of the Internal Evaluation and Assessment (IEA). This was attempted to be sorted out by the SC by encouraging that all communications be directed through the correct channels.
- The challenge of authenticity of organizations joining the platform, for the membership to the platform is by organizations that are doing practical initiatives at their respective communities. This was to avoid idle members filling the numbers yet no practical initiatives at the grassroots. This was remedied by development of a well detailed registration form that had to capture all the necessary details for the and ensuring that the rest of the Thematic Working Group does a background check to the organization applying to join the platform.

6. What worked well / Best practices / successes

The Climate Finance trainings bore fruits in the Mt. Kenya region which has led to the development of a concept note that is being worked on towards the submission to the GCF board.

7. Public relations:

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