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Pan African Parliament recognises Kenyan climate justice champion (Mithika Mwenda)

Kenya's climate justice activist Mithika Mwenda has been honoured by the Pan-African Parliament "for being recognized as one of the 100 most influential persons in the climate change discourse, worldwide".

The Executive Director of the Pan-African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA), a Civil Society Organisation that recently formed a partnership with the PAP, was celebrated at the sitting of the Permanent Committees of the fifth Parliament.

The House's Chairperson of the East African Regional Caucus Janet Ong'era, and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rural Economy, Agriculture, Environment and Natural Resources Kone Dognon expressed delight saying PAP took pride in associating with such greatness.

Expressing his gratitude, the recipient encouraged stakeholders to live an indelible mark as a lifetime legacy.

"It is not just an honor for me as a person but for the organization as some of the work being recognised includes that which I have done with and for the PAP. This acknowledgement has encouraged me and PACJA to do more in our attempt to deliver the ACLI (African Climate Legislation Initiative) agenda so that we leave our mark when we depart from this planet," Mr Mwenda said.

Mithika was recently declared this year's Earth Care award winner and will be receiving his award in the United States in September. He was declared one of the World's 100 Most Influential People on Climate Justice by the Apolitical in March 2019.