# Road to COP28: Honor your Commitments Campaign Action

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The global north is ever-hatching approaches and strategies to procrastinate and ultimately avoid accountability for historical and current atrocities on the environment and climate. The continuous delays in closing on key processes relevant to Africa's agenda in global negotiations embody their tactics. IPCC AR6 report is clear that Africa as a continent will suffer under all emissions scenarios. While this prompts deep cuts on emissions, whose global commitment to action lags, cross-cutting response measures to climate change in Africa must be implemented to scale. The global north must honour their commitments and African countries must demonstrate leadership in accountability through implementing locally led actions, above reproach and with the leadership of and causing direct impacts to those at the front line of the climate crisis.

This multi-country campaign is led by young people from Africa. It seeks to ride on five key issues to build the strategic thrust for our influence and advance its campaign goals. The five key issues are:

- i. Global Stock Take: This campaign sees the Global Stock Take process as an opportunity for much more structured dialogue in advancing greater accountability for climate action by all stakeholders across all cadres. The campaign visualizes an approach to the stock take that is sufficiently broad to encompass actions that enhance accountability for climate action that are not necessarily envisaged under the UNFCCC mechanism
- ii. **Just Transition:** The conundrum of just transition continues to push for greater exploration and extraction of transitional minerals as well as justify a host of investments in the African continent whose contribution to sustainable economies and societies remains suspicious. With the much-needed climate funding remaining largely in the hands of few global institutions and its trickledown to countries and communities at the frontline of climate crisis highly in question, these extractive actions

continue to compound accountability challenges in climate response. Of course, the global governance of climate response does not inspire the much-needed optimism and trust.

- iii. Corporate climate atrocities: Africa is dotted with climate atrocities committed by both national and multi-national corporations that expose communities at the frontline to greater vulnerabilities and impacts of climate change. This requires corrective action through mutual accountability.
- iv. The Climate financing gap: With every day of inaction, the climate crisis continues to compound and so do resources required for climate response. Yet global efforts in scaling access to funds from public sources are not commensurate to growing needs and vulnerabilities as developed countries continue to abdicate their responsibilities and push these to global private sector actors.
- v. Global Goal on Adaptation: The GGA and the funding ambitions must converge and with greater accountability on developed countries in accessing much-needed funding for adaptation.

#### **Program**

A. **Opening segment:** Premising campaigns as an overarching pillar of PACJA's work in advancing her pan-African and global influence (30 minutes)

Moderator: Charles Mwangi: Head of Programmes and Research, PACJA

- Remarks by Dr Mithika Mwenda, Executive Director, PACJA
- Remarks by Dr. Augustine Njamshi, Chair, Political & Technical Committee

## B. A Retrospective overview of the CJTC:

Moderator: Tamarah Moutotekema Boussamba/

a. Deep dive into what worked and what needs to be improved

- b. Mapping spaces of influence secured for further influence
- c. Feedback session

# C. Focus, thrusts, partnerships and approaches for our campaign towards COP28

Moderator: Youth

- Presentation by Philip Kilonzo, Head of Policy, Advocacy & Campaigns
- Reflections, Questions and Answers

### D. Key messages (One Hour)

Moderator: Joe Bongay

Presenter: Philip Dinga/ Eve Wandaka

Group tasks in contextualizing the messages across regions and feedback sessions

E. Mobilization Plan (45 Minutes)

Moderators: Sylvia and Duncan

F. Communication plan: (One Hour)

Moderators: Youth

Presenters: Fidele, Jennifer Nkurunziza and Evelyn Wandaka

G. **Getting the campaign running**: Planning segment (in groups) (One Hour, 30 minutes)

Moderators: (Youth/ Philip Kilonzo)

- a. Youth, DNPs, Partners in Regional Group tasks
- b. Feedback session

# H. The Loss and Damage pledge & Urgent steps (30 minutes)

Moderator: Youth

- Presenter: Fidele Niyigaba, Communications and Knowledge Manager
- I. Wrap up and closure

<sup>\*</sup> key guest for uneveiling the campaign