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 PRESS CONFERENCE: Demonstrate Good Faith, deliver on the NCQG: A call to developed Countries Parties



African stakeholders demand ambitious, credible, and transformative outcomes from COP29, underpinned by public and grant-based climate finance, just adaptation solutions, and accountability from developed nations. The demand was sent during the second press conference that took place to show dissatisfaction on how negotiations are moving. <u>Read the press release</u> <u>here</u>

Key Messages delivered: ≫

Profound Disappointment with COP29 Progress

- African stakeholders' express frustration over stalled negotiations, particularly the lack of ambition and commitment from developed nations.
- Key issues, including the New Collective Quantified Goal (NCQG) on climate finance and the Global Goal on Adaptation (GGA), are unresolved, reflecting a concerning lack of urgency.



Demands for Adequate and Publicly-Financed Climate Finance

- A minimum of \$1.3 trillion in annual public, grant-based climate finance is essential, with additional contributions from the private sector to address adaptation needs.
- Resistance to privately mobilized climate finance in the form of loans that exacerbate African countries' fiscal constraints is imperative.

Call for Accountability and Political Will

- Developed nations must demonstrate political will and fulfil their commitments under the Paris Agreement.
- African stakeholders reject manipulative incentives and backroom deals that undermine the integrity of the negotiation process.

Focus on Global Goal on Adaptation (GGA)

- The GGA must prioritize means of implementation, including technology transfer, capacity building, and climate finance, to be effective and actionable.
- Adaptation efforts must address historical and current climate injustices, emphasizing the needs and vulnerabilities of frontline communities.

Unity in Advocacy: One Africa, One Voice, One Position

- African leaders and negotiators must present a unified stance, resisting divisive tactics that dilute the continent's priorities.
- The slogan reflects the continent's collective demand for just and equitable climate solutions.

Urgent Action Required in Final Negotiation Days

- Ministers and political leaders must deliver transformative outcomes, avoiding compromises that weaken Africa's position.
- The Global Stock Take and Africa's special needs and circumstances must remain central to the discussions.

Vision for a Just and People-Centered Climate Response

• COP29 outcomes must ensure climate finance reaches frontline communities, prioritizing their needs and resilience.

• Stakeholders emphasize that failure to secure meaningful progress perpetuates climate injustice and exacerbates global inequities.

Strong Criticism of Developed Nations

- Developed nations are accused of deceitful negotiation practices, undermining trust and progress.
- Historical responses to crises prove that resources exist; what is lacking is genuine commitment and action.

 Socio-economic, environmental, and technological aspects of climate change-fueled land conflicts



Organized by PACJA platform in Nigeria SCDevNet, and partners, this event aimed to identify policy gaps and business practices that trigger land conflicts and assess their impact on communities and investments. I would also speak about why the transition to a green economy, while crucial for climate mitigation, is unintentionally escalating land conflicts by ignoring the social and environmental impacts of climate action.

In this event it was described that Climate change increasingly acts as a conflict multiplier, intensifying disputes over land and resources as rising sea levels, desertification, and resource scarcity disrupt ecosystems and livelihoods. Speakers emphasized that current global and national governance frameworks often fail to address the interconnected and unpredictable nature of these conflicts, leading to fragmented and reactive solutions.

This presentation from panellists explored innovative governance models to address climate-induced land conflicts, emphasizing the transformative potential of artificial intelligence (AI). It was highlighted that the AI can analyze environmental stressors, model policy outcomes, and support dynamic decisionmaking offering new pathways for conflict prediction, prevention, and management.

By integrating climate science, international law, and AI policy, the talk proposes actionable solutions while addressing the ethical dimensions of AI governance, with a focus on inclusivity and transparency to safeguard vulnerable populations.