

Africa Asia NGO network Tokyo workshop

Date and Time:	October 24 – 26 th (10 am to 5 pm)
Place:	JICA Global Plaza
Sponsored by:	Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
Secretariat:	TICAD Civil Society Forum(TCSF)
Cooperation:	TICAD IV NGO network (TNnet), 2008 G8NGO Forum
Language:	English/French/Japanese
Participants:	13 African NGOs from Benin, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Madagascar, Mozambique, Rwanda, Senegal, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia, 1 Filipino NGO, 50–70 Japanese NGOs, JICA staff

Africa is, where we, as global citizens, must focus our immediate attention. This is not only because we are at the halfway turning point for the achievement of the UN Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), but also because Japan's development assistance to Africa will be examined, as Japan will host the 4th Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD IV) in May and the G8 summit in Toyako, Hokkaido in June 2008. In recent years, the number of Japanese citizens and NGOs involved in cooperation with Africa has increased while a large change has also been observed in the development of African civil society and how aid is implemented. For Africa to tackle the issues it faces, it has become increasingly important for African and Japanese citizens to exchange information and to work together in the field. Currently, the relations between Africa and Japan, remains on the NGO to NGO level and has not reached a systematic level. Therefore a more active partnership between Africa and Japan has become necessary.

The Nairobi workshop was held on September 17–18th in Kenya's capital Nairobi, with the participation of approximately 30 African NGOs, 2 Asian NGOs, 3 Japanese NGOs from Japan, 5 Japanese NGOs working in Kenya, JICA-NGO desk officers, the Embassy of Japan in Kenya as well as the JICA Kenya office. The main objectives were to

1. Build and strengthen the NGO network between African NGOs and with Asian/Japanese NGOs
2. Strengthen advocacy efforts of African civil society towards TICAD IV

The Tokyo workshop will be held approximately a month after the Africa-Asia NGO network Nairobi workshop. Its objectives are as follows;

1. Widely share the results of the Nairobi workshop with Japanese NGOs and citizens and to create an opportunity for Japanese civil society to learn about the issues African civil society face, directly from African civil society
2. To promote an Africa Asia NGO network
3. To strengthen the network between African and Japanese NGOs which will lead to NGO-JICA projects in Africa

List of invited African NGOs

Working Group (keyword)	NGO	Name	Country	Nairobi WS participant
Investment and economic development (civil society)	African Development Programme (ADP)	Mr. Charles Abbey	Ghana	○
Human Security (vocational training, gender empowerment)	Association Rwandaise des Travailleurs Chretiens Section Feminins (ARTC-F)	Ms. Josephine Mukahigiro	Rwanda	
Environment (fishery, energy)	ENDA-Energy	Mr. Papa Ngore Ndiaye	Senegal	
Environment (Tree planting)	The Greenbelt Movement	Mr. Simon Kage	Kenya	○
Human Security (minority, nomad education)	Gudina Tumsa Foundation (GTF)	Mr. Gizaw Abera	Ethiopia	
Investment and economic development (Asian NGO network)	G-Cap Asia	Dr. Eduardo Tadem	Philippines	○
Investment and economic development (advocacy, NGOs)	G-Cap Kenya	Mr. Mwangi Waituru	Kenya	○
Investment and economic development (road infrastructure, services, access and development)	International Forum for Rural Transport and Development Africa	Ms. Nite Tanzarn	Uganda	
Environment (environmental rights)	Justica Ambiental	Mr. Daniel Lemos Ribeiro	Mozambique	
Human Security (PLWHA assistance)	Kara Counselling and Training Trust	Mr. Winstone Zulu	Zambia	
Human Security (The environment and human development)	PELUM Association	Mr. Joseph Ssunna	Zambia	○
Human Security (Balancing the field and advocacy)	Réseau Glegbenu de Social Watch Benin	Mr. Gustave Assah	Benin	○
Human Security (African networks, gender)	Tunisian Mothers' Association (ATM)	Mrs. Saida Agrebi	Tunisia	
Human Security (Youth)	Youth Network for MDGs	Mr. Rado Rakotoarinala	Madagascar	○

Tokyo workshop program

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Wednesday, October 24, 2007

	Content	Presenter	Place
The first day: The reality and the issues: Sharing the results of the Nairobi workshop, Looking towards TICAD and the G8 in Japan			
10:00-12:30 Plenary	10:00-10:10 Opening	Welcome and Opening remarks	JICA Training Affairs and Citizen Participation Department Director-General Mr. Masahiro Murakami
	10:10-11:15 Panel presentation 1	Voices from African civil society 1. "Human Security" seen from African civil society 2. "Investment and Economic Growth" seen from African civil society 3. "Environmental Conservation and Climate Change" seen from African civil society 4. Presentation of Nairobi workshop outcome "Voices of Africa" 5. Presentation of Nairobi workshop outcome "Joint statement"	1. PELUM Mr. Joseph Sunna (Zambia) 2. G-Cap Kenya: Mr. Mwangi Waituru (Kenya) 3. The Greenbelt Movement: Mr. Simon Kage (Kenya) 4. African Development Programme (ADP) Mr. Charles Abbey (Ghana) and Youth Network for MDGs Mr. Rado Rakotoarinala (Madagascar) 5. Civic Commission for Africa (C-CfA) Chair/Réseau Glegbenu de Social Watch Bénin: Mr. Gustave Assah (Benin) and G-Cap Asia: Dr. Eduardo Tadem (Philippines)
	11:15-11:25	Coffee/Tea Break	
	11:25-12:30 Panel Presentation 2	Voices from Japanese civil society Presentation of 2 Japanese NGO position papers	1. 2008 G8-NGO Forum Ms. Yurika Ayukawa 2. TICAD Civil Society Forum (TCSF) Prof. Masao Yoshida
12:30-13:30 Lunch Break	Lunch boxes will be provided for registered participants		
13:30-16:00 Working Groups	Working Groups	<p>"Human Security" seen from civil society</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - education (vocational training), health, HIV/AIDS - gender, minority groups, nomads, youth, PLWHA, persons with disabilities empowerment - balancing the field and advocacy <p>(French/English - Japanese simultaneous translation)</p>	<p>Facilitator: Ms. Megumi Hirayama (Africa Reconciliation Committee/Meiji Gakuin University)</p> <p>Resources: Ms. Josephine Mukahigiro (Rwanda), Mr. Joseph Ssunna (Zambia), Mr. Winstone Zulu (Zambia), Mr. Gustave Assah (Benin), Ms. Saida Agrebi (Tunisia), Mr. Rado Rakotoarinala</p>

JICA Global Plaza Auditorium

			(Madagascar)	
		<p>“Investment and Economic Growth” seen from civil society (French and English translation)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - road infrastructure, access and economic development - civil society and ODA, advocacy and NGOs 	<p>Mr. Kiyotaka Takahashi (Japan Volunteer Center/ODA Reform Network)</p> <p>Resources: Mr. Mwangi Waituru (Kenya), Ms. Nite Tanzarn (Uganda), Mr. Charles Abbey (Ghana) Dr. Eduardo Tadem (Philippines)</p>	JICA Global Plaza Seminar room 202
		Environmental Conservation and Climate Change” seen from civil society	<p>Facilitator: Prof. Ryokichi Hirono (Adviser, ESD-Japan /Professor Emeritus, Seikei University)</p> <p>Resources: Mr. Simon Kage (Kenya), Mr. Gizaw Abera (Ethiopia), Mr. Papa Ngore Ndiaye (Senegal), Mr. Daniel Ribeiro (Mozambique)</p>	JICA Global Plaza Seminar room 303
16:00-17:00 Plenary	Sharing the discussions of each working group and working to produce a workshop document “Voices of African and Japanese Civil Society”		Chair: Dr. Sayaka Funada-Classen	JICA Global Plaza Auditorium
17:00 - 19:00	Reception		Master of Ceremony: Ms. Miki Nagashima	JICA Global Plaza 1 st Floor Café Frontier

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The second day: AM: Visit central Tokyo and NGO offices PM: Working group deliberations				
10:00 – 14:30 Visit	10:00–10:45 Central Tokyo	Visit by Skybus TOKYO (45 minute course to see Imperial Palace and government buildings from double-decker bus)	13 African NGOs, 1 Asian NGO and partner Japanese NGOs	Skybus
	11:00–14:00 Visit and discussions with Japanese NGOs	Visits in 3–4 groups to : Africa Japan Forum, CanDo, Association for Aid and Relief Japan, JANIC, Results Japan, TCSF		
14:30–15:30 Plenary	Sharing perspectives on Japanese civil society			Seminar room 202
15:30– 17:00 Working Group Deliberations	Deliberations on Voices of African and Japanese civil society by each thematic working group		All participants	Seminar room 202

Friday, October 26, 2007

The third day: Finalizing and presenting the workshop proclamation			
10:00–12:20 Plenary	Presentation of the final draft of Voices of African and Japanese civil society Plenary approval	All participants	Seminar room 202 (TBC)
12:20 –12:30 Closing remarks	JICA in Africa and partnership with NGOs in Africa	JICA Africa Region Department Director–General Mr. Tsuneo Kurokawa (TBC)	
12:30–15:00	Lunch break and travel to venue of videoconference		
15:00 –17:00 Video conference/seminar	Video–conference/Seminar: Connect with Africa! The experiences of African NGOs from Japan Connections with: 1. Japan 15:00–17:00 pm 2. Kenya 9:00–11:00 am 3. Ethiopia 9:00–11:00 am 4. Zambia 8:00–10:00 am 5. Mozambique 8:00–10:00 am 6. Zimbabwe 8:00–10:00 am 7. Senegal 6:00–8:00 am 8. Cameroon 7:00–9:00 am	15:00–15:05 Opening Remarks: Dr. Sayaka Funada–Classen 15:05–15:21 Self-introductions by the 8 sites 15:21–15:22 Introduction to presentations 15:22–15:32 Gudina Tumsa Foundation (GTF) Mr. Gizaw Abera (Ethiopia) 15:32–15:42 Tunisian Mothers’ Association (ATM) Hon. Saida Agrebi 15 :42–15 :52 Kara Counselling and Training Trust Mr. Winstone Zulu 15 :52–16 :02 Association Rwandaise des Travailleurs Chretiens Section Feminins (ARTC–F) Ms. Josephine Mukahigiro (Rwanda) 16 :02–16 :12 ENDA Energy Mr. Mr. Papa Ngore Ndiaye(Senegal) 16:12–16:22 International Forum for Rural Transport and Development Ms. Nite Tanzarn (Uganda) 16:22–16:37 Presentation of results of the Tokyo workshop Mr. Charles Abbey (Ghana) 16:37–16:55 Q&A 16:55–17:00 Closing Ms. Mika Kunieda	World Bank Tokyo Development Learning Center