

**TICAD Environment and Energy for Sustainable Development
- Civil Society Session -**



**“Environment and Energy for Sustainable Development
from a Pro-Poor Perspective”**

March 22 & 23, UN Complex, Nairobi

It is our pleasure to be able to hold a civil society conference on **“Environment and Energy for Sustainable Development from a Pro-Poor Perspective”** as a side event of TICAD Environment and Energy for Sustainable Development held on March 22 and 23 at Nairobi, Kenya.

Energy and environment are essential for sustainable development. The poor are disproportionately affected by environmental degradation and lack of access to clean, affordable energy services. Environmental degradation has led to climatic change – global warming – that is now one of the greatest threat facing the world.

Africa has suffered most from the environmental degradation and the subsequent climatic change which have resulted in devastating droughts, floods and hunger. Urgent action is required to reverse the current trend. **Civil society organizations (CSOs) have engaged in these matters and have been at the fore front in providing alternative thinking, technology, voice and strategies that focus particularly on the poor.** It is view of this that CSO consider the opportunity to engage in the TICAD event crucial.

The aim of the civil society conference on March 22 is:

- (1) to review the linkage between current climate change and poverty in Africa;**
- (2) to clarify the impact of environmental degradation to the African poor;**
- (3) to discuss policy alternatives for the world and Africa from a pro-poor perspective;**
- (4) to share cases of the most advanced and adequate pro-poor technology for energy and environment;**
- (5) to discuss role of civil society to over come challenges of current energy and environmental problems with various actors.**

On March 23, the civil society will gather again, and discuss how to create effective partnership in order to fulfil the responsibility of the above (5) and also broader partnership issues related to development financing. We are welcome to invite anyone who is interested in knowing the efforts of CSOs, exchanging ideas and opinions, and discussing with us.

- **Date: March 22 <14 00-1700> & March 23<1000-1200>**
- **Venue: UNON Nairobi, Kenya**
- **Co-organizers: TICAD Civil Society Forum (TCSF), G-CAP Kenya (“Jukawa la Kupinga Umaskini”), ActionAid International Kenya**
- **Participants: 58 (Kenyan, African, International and Japanese CSOs and others)**
- **Language: English**

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■ Program: March 22 14:00 – 17:00

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Chairperson: Rose Wanjiru (ActionAid International Kenya)

Masao Yoshida (TICAD Civil Society Forum)

Opening	14:00-14:05	Introduction & Welcome Sharing the Programme	AAI Kenya Rose Wanjiru
	14:05-14:15	<Opening Remark> TICAD and African & Japanese Civil Society, and toward the 4th TICAD – Its expectation toward this session	TICAD Civil Society Forum Masao Yoshida
What is happening locally and globally	14:15-14:30	Global Climate Change & Poverty - Challenges of the African Poor	African Centre for Technology Studies (ACTS) Brian Otiende
Thinking about Policy Options and Actions	14:30-14:45	Thinking about Policy Options -Renewable Energy in Africa	AFREPEN/FWD Stephen Karekezi
	14:45-15:00	Connecting Policy with Action -Access to Energy for the Poor	Practical Action Isaack Oenga
	15:00-15:15	Questions and Answers	
	15:15-15:30	Action (1) - planting trees	CARPA/Green Belt Movement Frida Mugo
	15:30-15:45	Action (2) *Solar Cooker *Plantation of Jatropha Carcus and Bio Diesel Oil Production	Japan Solar Cooking Association Toshikazu Mito Yamamoto Gakko (School) Masanobu Yamamoto
Discussing the role of Civil Society to overcome the challenges	15:45-16:10	<Panel Discussion > “Overcoming challenges that the African Poor faces in the era of climate change and degradation of environment?”	Above Speakers & UNEP Njeri Wamukonya National Environmental Management Authority (NEMA) Betty Nzioka Consultant Elijah Agevi
	16:10-16:55	<Open Discussion>	
	16:55-17:00	<Rap-up>	ActionAid International Kenya Rose Wanjiru
Closing	17:00	<Closing Remark>	TICAD Civil Society Forum Masao Yoshida
		Singing in Kiswahili “Friendly Wind, Rainbow”	Japanese Singer Song Writer Momo Fujitani

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■ **Program March 23 10:00 – 12:00**

Chairperson: Mwangi Waituru (G-CAP Kenya)
Sayaka Funada-Classen (TCSF)

10:00- 10:10	Sharing the summary of March 22 and the objective of this session	G-CAP Kenya Mwangi Waituru
10:10-10:30	Sharing the concept of “Civic Commission for Africa” and time table toward TICADIV	TICAD Civil Society Forum Sayaka Funada-Classen
10:30-11:00	<Open Discussion> “How can civil society create partnership to overcome the challenges that were cleared during the last session?”	
11:00-11:30	<Discussing Action Plan> “What kind of action plan ?”	
11:30 –11:45	<Finalizing Action Plan>	
11:45– 11:55	<Rap up>	Mwangi Waituru
11:55- 12:00	<Closing Remark>	Sayaka Funada-Classen

■ **Sharing outcome of Civil Society Session of March 22 & 23**

Rose Wanjiru will bring the summary of the outcome at TICAD Conference (under coordination)

■ **Information about the organizations that send speakers:**

AFREPREN/FWD <http://www.afrepren.org/>

African Centre for Technology Studies (ACTS) <http://www.acts.or.ke/>

G-CAP Kenya <http://www.whiteband.org/Gcap/regions/africa/ken/>

ActionAid International Kenya <http://www.actionaid.org/301/africa.html>

TICAD Civil Society Forum <http://www.ticad-csf.net/eng/index.htm>

Green Belt Movement <http://www.greenbeltmovement.org/>

Practical Action <http://www.itdg.org/>

Japan Solar Cooking Association <http://www.geocities.jp/jscajp/index.htm>

NEMA <http://www.eco-web.com/register/02246.html>

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