

**Concept Note**  
***African Clim-Dev Youth Platform (ACLYP) Participation at  
theCCDA – V***

***Theme: Youth in Climate change and sustainable development in Africa***

**28th- 30<sup>th</sup>October 2015**

**Victoria Falls**

**Zimbabwe**

**Background**

The African Clim-Dev Youth Platform (ACLYP) have earmarked activities for this defining year, where the world is charting the way forward on development, with climate change bearing a cross cutting angle to it. ACLYP desires to follow through with planned activities set for CCDA-V at the upcoming Fifth Conference on Climate Change for Development in Africa (CCDA-V) in Victoria Falls Zimbabwe in October.

ACLYP will hold a youth forum during the CCDA-V to elaborate concrete activities for the engagement of ACLYP champions among ongoing discourses in the build up to the global climate negotiations in Paris, in December 2015. The youth forum is the continuation of the youth engagement in the ACTs conference that took place in Dar es salaam from the 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

The forum will provide participants with the opportunity to learn, share and identify tools to foster inclusive green growth in Africa and build partnerships to put the tools into practice in their work in order to unleash the potential of young

people and provide them with the knowledge and skills to enable them drive the sustainable development agenda in their various communities.

ACLYP will also participate in the actual CCDA-V activities during high-level dialogues, plenary sessions, parallel sessions, pre-events and other side events. ACLYP has identified some eminent youth to deliver keynote addresses and presentations on various contentious issues as well as their experiences. They shall also look into the expected outcomes of the crucial global climate governance regime with regard to the objective of the UNFCCC, as articulated in Article 2 of the convention.

## **Objectives**

The objective of the ACLYP dialogue is to progress the inclusion of African youth into the Climate negotiations and Skills Development Programmes, in order to cultivate and strengthen a new generation of creative and inspired agents of positive change in Africa and beyond. This dialogue shall also present a platform to create awareness on the Africa Youth Position on Climate Change towards COP21.

## **Approach**

A high-level plenary session will be held, during which a few select Ministers, COMESA representatives, youths and prominent experts will discuss the theme 'Youth in Climate Change and Sustainable Development in Africa'. Under this main theme six sub themes will be addressed;

- Education and Unemployment
- Peace, Security & Social Protection
- Gender and Climate Change

- Green Economy and Entrepreneurship
- Global Environmental Governance
- The opportunities and platforms for African youth to access climate finance

ACLYP shall also participate in the AfriYOCC pre-event

### **Exhibitions**

Various youth-led organizations shall be invited to procure a booth to exhibit products such as books, innovations/solutions, posters and other materials. Exhibitors will come from Livingstone, Victoria Falls town and other parts of Africa.

### **Expected Outputs**

- To open up the space for more in-depth discussions on specific climate change and development topics as identified under the sub-themes, and the formulation of strategies and interventions for youth participation in COP21 and beyond.
- To create a better understanding of the Climate change negotiations among the African youth and identify entry points for youth engagement,
- Constructive discussion with Youth ministers to improve youth engagement on national climate strategies for youth employment creation,
- Network and link up with experts, organizations, decision makers for possible future collaborations and engagement,
- To identify adaptation policies and measures to cope with a changing climate and tailor them to local needs,

During CCDA -V the participants will have the opportunity to discuss more broadly their initiatives and works on climate change, sustainability with the aim to improve exchanges of ideas and information between youths and point out important developments in the international arena and to raise awareness and bring new strategies for approach on environmental matters in Africa.

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