Global climate change governance @ 21: Africa’s expectations to and from Paris 2015

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Problem statement

• The 21st birthday brings along significant landmarks.

• In many countries, 21 years signifies adulthood and independence.

• This paper teases out matters relating to how far Africa has grown and become independent within the context of the global climate change governance.

• Will Africa get what it needs to and from Paris 2015?
Methods: International relations and actor/actant network theory

The wheels of interests that turn global climate governance
Global climate positions dominated by the global agenda

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Key Findings

1. Africa needs to up its self-esteem

2. Learning from COP1-20 - Avoiding a Kyoto Protocol repeat

3. We need a global wellbeing deal

4. A call and need to challenge the big brother approach

5. Equity, inclusiveness, polluter pays and precautionary principles
Key Findings ...

6. Monitoring, reporting and verification (MRV) in global climate funding

7. Adaptation and mitigation – Africa Agenda 2063

8. Deal breakers: No agriculture, No mining, NO DEAL

9. INDCs – still mitigation biased
Key Findings ...

10. A call for political support to African negotiators

11. Continue to speak with one voice

12. Means of implementation

13. Continuity in negotiations (including increasing warm bodies)

14. Matters of good governance

15. Addressing CC within the bigger African and global SD agenda
Key Findings ...

16. Value chains, value addition and localization of technologies

17. A call to avoid having the new climate deal as a non-tariff barrier

18. Being on the watch for the Group of Two (G2)

19. Indigenous and/or local vs modern and/or scientific knowledge systems

20. Tired of delaying tactics
16. Challenges with local government

17. Are we still to run with the green economy agenda already lost from the SDGs

18. Is it true Africa is most vulnerable due to climate change or bad governance?

19. From here comrades, we might be on our own!!
Thank you
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