Pre-Event at CCDA-VI
Inception Workshop
17-18 October 2016

Young African Lawyers (YAL) Programme in Climate Change

Objective
The workshop objective is to formally welcome and to begin the grooming of new members to support national responses to climate change and provide vital support to the African Group of Negotiators (AGN) lead coordinators during the UNFCCC Conference of Parties (COP), and during the Subsidiary Bodies (SBI & SBSTA) sessions.

Agenda

DAY 1: 17 October 2016

Chairperson: Dr Seth Osafo, Former Senior Legal Adviser UNFCCC

I. Opening Ceremony
- Welcome and opening remarks by Dr. James Murombedzi, Coordinator (OiC) ACPC
- Introduction by the YAL members
- An Overview of the YAL Programme - Ms. Selam Kidane
- Setting the Context – History and Vision of the Programme – Dr. Johnson Nkem, ACPC

II. UNFCCC Negotiations, YAL support and the roles of lawyers in the negotiations Programme
- H. E. Pa Ousman Jarju, Minister of Environment of the Gambia
- Hon. Dr. Wilbur K. Ottichilo, Kenya National Assembly
- Dr. George Wamukoya, Co-Chair of the preamble negotiation of the Paris Agreement
- Mr. Mithika Mwenda, Pan African Climate Justice Alliance

Tea Break

III. MEA, UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement – Dr. Seth Osafo, Former Senior Legal Advisor, UNFCCC

IV. Lunch

V. Presentations by Ms. Nattley Williams Team Leader for Intergovernmental Affairs, UNFCCC
   - UNFCCC convention
   - Overview of the Paris Agreement by the secretariat
   - Next-steps of the Paris Agreement to ensure implementation

V. - A presentation of YAL 2015 Activities
   - Sharing of experiences by the old members of YAL
DAY 2 – 18 October 2016

I. Introduction to Climate Change and the background to the Climate Negotiations – Dr. Seth Osafo
   Questions and Answers

II. Morning Tea break

III. Negotiating Skills and preparing to negotiate – Dr. Seth Osafo
    Questions and Answers

IV. Breakout groups to prepare for the mock negotiations

V. Lunch Break

VI. Mock negotiations
    Discussion and summary of mock negotiations - Dr. Seth Osafo
    Wrap up session – Way forward – Drs. Seth Osafo and Johnson Nkem

VII. Closing remarks by Dr James Murombedzi, Coordinator (OiC) ACPC