

Report of the Pre-World Environment Day Programme for the Youth and Women in Kenya

Microsoft Team's Dialogue

16 May 2023, 9am – 11am EAT

Objective of the Dialogue: Identify green, circular, and sustainable business models and solutions that 'Youth and Women' use to *#BeatPlasticPollution*, reduce waste in the environment, reduce impacts of plastic to climate, pollution, and resource use while increasing the demand for green skills jobs in various businesses and industries in Kenya.

Main meeting Room;

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Breakout A. Environment Panel Moderator – Ms. Faith Ngige, HSC, KEPSA-Circular Economy

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Breakout B. Climate Change Moderator – Ms. Winnie Mutai, Climate Change Reaccreditation and Readiness Programme Expert, AfDB

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Breakout C. Green Jobs Moderator – Ms. Josephine Wawira, KEPSA-Sustainable Inclusive Business

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Time (EAT)	Agenda Item	Facilitator
9.00 am – 9.05 am	Welcome Remarks	Damaris Mungai – UNEP Gender and Youth Portfolio
Introductory Remarks		

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9.05 am – 9.30 am	1. Dr. Rose Mwebeza, UNEP Africa Director and Representative Regional 2. Dr. Mary Nyasimi, National Programme, UNESCO Regional Office for Eastern Africa 3. Dr. John Chumo, CEO MaMa Doing Good (Remarks read by Ms. Ann Wambui – Public Health Officer – Air Quality Control, MaMa Doing Good)	Damaris Mungai
Young People Setting the Scene Solution for #BeatPlasticPollution		
9.30 am – 10.00 am	1. Ms. Charlene Ruto, Climate Change Advocate 2. Alphonse Munyao Muia, UNEP Major Group for Children and Youth 3. Ms. Marion Munyao, Agriculture journalist- TV Producer, Standard Group PLC 4. Representative of AfriPlastics (APC) – Ms. Njeri Ndonga	Jusper Ronoh, UNEP KCP
10.00am – 10.30 am	Exhibition and Networking 1. Environment – Mr. Teddy Obiero, Chair Alliance of Nairobi Metro Residents 2. Environment/ Climate – Mr. John Kabuya, Principal at BESIC Group and Chair, Environment Committee, NERA. 3. Greenjobs – Dr. Tayba Hatimy, Executive Director, Baus Taka 4. Greenjobs – Mrs. Sonia Orwa, Country CEO, Mr. Green Africa	Christine Kivuva, Assistant Director, Environmental Monitoring, Compliance and Enforcement, Nairobi County
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Thematic Dialogue Breakout Session		

10.35am – 11.00 am	Breakout A: Environment Panelists 1. Ms. Marion Munyao – Agriculture journalist and TV Producer, Standard Group PLC 2. Mr. Teddy Obiero – Chair, Alliance of Nairobi Metro Residents 3. Mr. John Kabuya – Principal at BESIC Group and Chair, Environment Committee, NERA. 4. Ms. Winnie Jumba – Global Sustainability Lead, Oracle Corporation	Faith Ngige, HSC, KEPSA-Circular Economy
	Breakout B: Climate Panelists 1. Mr. Muthoni Kariuki – Miss Tourism Africa, Miss Tourism Africa Organization 2. Mr. Brian Gisore Nyabuti – Secretary General, Kenya National Waste Pickers Welfare Association 3. Ms. Ann Wambui – Public Health Officer – Air Quality Control, MaMa Doing Good	Winnie Mutai, Climate Change Reaccreditation and Readiness Programme Expert, AfDB
	Breakout C: Green Jobs' Panelists 1. Ms. Agnes Mwandawiro – Creative Director, ArtMax Designs 2. Dr. Tayba Hatimy – Executive Director, Baus Taka Enterprise 3. Mr. Calvin Shikuku – CEO, Generation Unlimited 4. Mr. Benson Abila – Founder, Mtaka 5. Mr. Larry Abucheri – CEO, - Sustainable Arts Fashion Economy (SAFE)	Josephine Wawira, KEPSA-Sustainable Inclusive Business
Reconvened into Main Session		

11.00am – 11.20am	Summary Presentations from Breakout - Climate – Winnie Mutai - Environment – Faith Ngige - Green Jobs – Josephine Wawira Closing Session Statement	Dr. Cyrille-Lazare Siewe, UNEP KCP
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Background of the Meeting...

UNEP Kenya Country Program plans to commemorate World Environment Day (WED):

1. Every year by identifying and creating a database of youth and women key players based on the theme for WED,
2. By creating a forum for the youth and women to engage and dialogue on the yearly theme for WED.

The outcome of the commemoration will be to link the youth and Women to other key networks for scale up.

About WED...

World Environment Day is celebrated on June 5th each year to raise awareness and promote action for the protection of the environment. In 2023, the theme for World Environment Day is "Solution to plastic pollution" which calls for urgent action to clean our world and reverse the curve of global plastic pollution.

There are some solutions for tackling plastic pollution. However, many governments, companies and other stakeholders are having challenges in scaling up actions to solve the crisis and extent of plastic pollution. The report 'Single-use Plastics: A roadmap for Sustainability, and the 2021 'From Pollution to Solution: A global assessment of marine litter and plastic pollution,' provide scientific basis for the need to urgently act to control plastic emissions into the environment. The reports highlight several businesses and industries in which plastic pollution reduction initiatives can be introduced e.g., oil and gas extractors and plastic resin producers, extruders and product manufacturers, automotive manufacturers and textile manufacturers, consumer product companies, packaging companies, retailers, waste haulers and land fillers, materials recovery operators, waste brokers, and recyclers.

In line with the slogan for WED #BeatPlasticPollution, it is prudent to have a series of dialogues whose outcome will be used as a contribution to the 2023 WED Celebrations on June 5.

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