## Africa Climate Week 2021 Side Event

Session Title: Advancing the design of Long-term Strategies

**Date: Tuesday 28 September** 

Time: 18:00 - 20.00 (GMT+3 /EAT)

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**Session Design: Panel** 

Supporting organizations: AfDB & 2050 pathway platform

## Context

Under the Paris Agreement, global leaders committed to pursue efforts to limit the temperature increase to 1.5°C. The scientific community confirmed in 2018 that this goal requires reaching net-zero carbon emissions around 2050 and deep reductions of other greenhouse gases. To guide the necessary transformations across the economy, the Paris Agreement invites countries to formulate and communicate long-term low-emission development strategies (LT-LEDS or LTS).

The design of LTS is an opportunity to inclusively discuss the future development of a country, enhance linkages with the Sustainable Development Goals and inform post-COVID sustainable recovery plans. Increasingly governments are also integrating long term climate resilience planning in their LTS.

The early design of LTS represents an opportunity for efficiency in terms of resources and planning and lesser risks such as carbon lock-in and stranded assets. LTS can also inform updated NDCs, enable sound investment planning and provide predictability to the private sector.

Governments across Africa are advancing work to formulate LTS. Therefore, it's imperative to have a space to share approaches, tools, and experiences that can support national efforts. This event seeks to enable this exchange, facilitating peer-learning and informing critical areas where support is required, particularly from development partners such MDBs.

## **Event Agenda**

Time	Item	Speaker
10 mins	<ul><li>✓ Welcome remarks from the Moderator</li><li>✓ Keynote speaker address</li></ul>	Moderator – Marcela Jaramillo  Keynote speaker 1- Huw Davies, UK COP Presidency
3 mins		Moderator
5 mins	Overview of LTS work globally and in the region	<b>Keynote speaker 2 -</b> Ricard Baron from 2050 Pathways Platform.
15mins	Round One: How are countries approaching the design of their LTS?  What has been the experience in your country for the design of the LTS?  What opportunities and main challenges have been identified in designing the LTS? What synergies with other national development objectives/priorities have been identified?	Speaker 1: Isatou Camara, Deputy Director, The Gambia's Directorate of Development Planning, Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs.  Speaker 2: Mrs Edeh Chioma Felistas Amudi, Principal Scientific Officer, Mitigation Division, Department of Climate Change, Federal Ministry of Environment, Green Building Maitama Abuja- Nigeria  Speaker 3: Irene Chekwoti, Senior Mitigation officer at CCD, Uganda
15 mins	Round Two: Share your experience in the country's LTS design process (E.g., What processes and tools are used, spaces for dialogue with stakeholders, governance arrangement?).  GIZ: What has been the approach of GIZ to support Uganda's LTS design? How did GIZ decide to direct funding to support this work?	Speaker 4: Alpha Jallow, Climate Change Secretariat Director in The Gambia's Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Natural Resource.  Speaker 5: Sven Marc Egbers, GIZ, Uganda  Speaker 6: Eugene Itua, Natural Eco capital, Nigeria
10 mins	Round three: What are the next steps around the LTS, and what areas will require support? What could be the role of MDBs and bilateral donors to support governments on this task?	Speaker 1: Isatou Camara, Deputy Director, The Gambia's Directorate of Development Planning, Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs.  Speaker 2: Mrs Edeh Chioma Felistas Amudi, Principal Scientific Officer, Mitigation Division, Department of Climate Change, Federal Ministry of Environment, Green Building Maitama Abuja- Nigeria  Speaker 3: Irene Chekwoti, Senior Mitigation officer at CCD, Uganda
10 mins	Round four - Could you share how MDB's are approaching LTS, both in terms of supporting the work in-country and how you see LTS could help inform MDBs broader operations and country support?	Speaker 7: Gareth Phillips, Manager of the Climate and Environment Finance Division AfDB  Speaker 8: Daouda Ben Oumar Ndiaye, OIC Head of Climate Change at ISDB
10 mins	Q & A	Moderator
3mins	Closing	Moderator