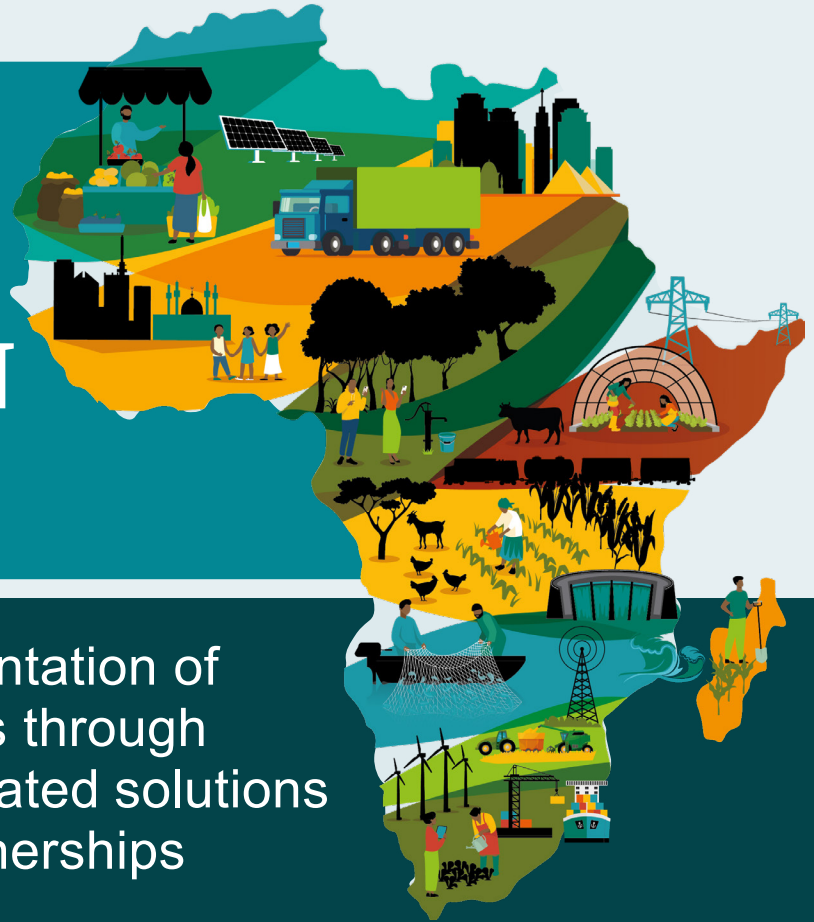




CLIMATE ACTION INNOVATION HUB



Supporting the implementation of Africa's climate priorities through innovative, action-orientated solutions and transformative partnerships

The African Union Commission is launching the **Climate Action Innovation Hub** at the Africa Climate Summit, taking place between **4-6 September 2023 in Nairobi, Kenya**.

This is an opportunity to showcase a diverse range of the bold, innovative climate actions taking place across the continent that align with the specific ambitions and goals of the recently adopted African Union Climate Change and Resilient Development Strategy (2022-2032). This is Africa's first ever collective climate change action plan and strategy that details the specific suggested actions that the continent needs to undertake to respond to climate change.



**AFRICAN UNION
CLIMATE CHANGE
AND RESILIENT
DEVELOPMENT
STRATEGY AND
ACTION PLAN
(2022-2032)**



The AU Climate Strategy seeks to harmonise the continent's response to climate change over the next decade, setting out the key guiding principles, priorities, and intervention areas for enhanced climate cooperation. This Strategy is a framework for climate action of all Africans, including both government and non-government stakeholders. For the Strategy to be effectively implemented, broad-based ownership and inclusive participation is vital.



Vision A sustainable, prosperous, equitable and climate- resilient Africa.

Goal To provide a continental framework for collective action and enhanced cooperation in addressing climate change issues that improves livelihoods and well-being, promotes adaptation capacity, and achieves low-emission, sustainable economic growth.

Overall Objective Building the resilience of African communities, ecosystems and economies, and supporting regional adaptation.

Four sub-objectives

1 Strengthening the adaptive capacity of affected communities and managing the risks related to climate change.

2 Pursuing equitable and transformative low emission, climate-resilient development pathways.

3 Enhancing Africa's capacity to mobilise resources and improve access to and development of technology for ambitious climate action.

4 Enhancing inclusion, alignment, cooperation, and ownership of climate strategies, policies, programmes and plans across all spheres of government and stakeholder groupings.

4 Strategic Intervention Axes

Axis 1

Strengthening Policy and Governance

Axis 2

9 Pathways towards Transformative Climate-Resilient Development

Axis 3

Enhancing Implementation towards Climate-Resilient Development

Axis 4

Leveraging Regional Flagship Initiatives

- 1 Food systems under a changing climate
- 2 Protecting land-based ecosystems
- 3 Enhancing climate-resilient and low-carbon energy infrastructural systems
- 4 Promoting low-carbon, resilient mobility and transport systems
- 5 Inclusive, resource-efficient industrialisation
- 6 Building low-carbon, resilient urban areas
- 7 Enhancing resilient water systems
- 8 Building a climate-resilient blue economy
- 9 Digital transformation



Scaling innovations to achieve climate action

The Climate Action Innovation Hub is a dedicated space for Africa's women and young innovators to showcase their 'game changing', climate-oriented solutions and business ideas, exchange key lessons, as well as garner support for innovative solutions from a diverse and broad audience, including policy makers and potential investors.

These transformative climate innovations and initiatives, of varying scales, may touch on any of the major themes identified within the Climate Change Strategy. These include but are not limited to: clean energy; climate-smart agriculture and sustainable land management; biodiversity conservation; green economy and sustainable value chains; sustainable fisheries management; water storage and conservation; waste management and circular economy; green transport and climate resilient infrastructure, resilient, climate smart cities, as well as digital transformation.

The innovations can also enhance the key cross-cutting areas needed to

amplify climate cooperation and action, including climate advocacy, empowerment, awareness raising, capacity building and climate literacy.

This event forms an important milestone in a longer process to move the Strategy from a policy framework towards tangible and meaningful action on the ground. After the successful adoption of the Strategy by all AU member countries in June 2022, the Strategy is now ready to be executed at various scales, by a diverse range of actors and partners. To achieve this, the Climate Action Innovation Hub plays a critical role in showcasing important climate innovations by Africans, for Africa. In addition, this event will catalyse investment and mobilise new partnerships

The Climate Action Innovation Hub will take place at the **African Union Pavilion at the Kenyan International Convention Centre (KICC)**, over three consecutive days, on **4-6 September 2023**.



Climate Action Innovation Hub Programme at the Africa Climate Summit



DAY 1

Monday, 4th September 2023

16h00-16h30: Open innovators exhibition and networking

16h30-17h30: High-level opening and key statements

17h30-18h30: Presentations by climate innovators

- ▶ Food Systems Under a Changing Climate
- ▶ Protecting land-based ecosystems and biodiversity
- ▶ Digital transformation

18h30-19h30: Networking cocktails



DAY 2

Tuesday, 5th September 2023

16h00-16h30: Open innovators exhibition and networking

16h30-17h15: Introductory remarks and key statements

17h15-18h30: Presentations by climate innovators

- ▶ Building a sustainable blue economy
Climate resilient, low carbon energy and infrastructural systems
- ▶ Low carbon, resilient urban areas
- ▶ Resilient water systems

18h30-19h30: Networking cocktails



DAY 3

Wednesday, 6th September 2023

16h00-16h30: Open innovators exhibition and networking

16h30-17h15: High-level remarks and key statements

17h15-18h15: Climate innovators

Promoting low-carbon resilient mobility and transport systems

Inclusive resource efficient industrialisation

Cross-cutting themes (governance, literacy, education, transparency, communications, inclusion etc)

18h15-18h30: Closing remarks and way forward

18h30-19h30: Networking cocktails



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