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## Second session of the fourth Africa climate talks

*Enhancing climate resilience for better human security in the Sahel region*

Salle de Commission 2, Palais de Congres

Niamey, 26 and 27 February 2023

**Draft programme<sup>1</sup>**

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<sup>1</sup> For the second session of the fourth Africa climate talks, interpretation will be available in English and French.



**Day 1: 26 February 2023**

<b>Time*</b>	<b>Description</b>
9–9.30 a.m.	<p><b>Session 1: Introduction to the Africa climate talks</b></p> <p>Rationale and history</p>
9.30–10.30 a.m.	<p><b>Session 2: Food, agriculture and trade systems in West Africa</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Representative, Gender, Poverty and Social Policy Division, Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), Medhat Elhelepi (v)</p> <p><b>Setting the scene:</b> Economic Affairs Officer, Technology, Climate Change and Natural Resources Division, Mahamadou Nassirou Ba, ECA (p)</p> <p><b>Panellists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Representative, University of Dar es Salaam, Madaka Tumbo (v)</li><li>• Representative, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Philip Antwan-Agyei</li><li>• Lecturer, University of Dar es Salaam, Madaka Tumbo (v)</li><li>• Founder and Executive Director, Climate Smart Agriculture Youth Network Global, Divine Ntiokam (p)</li><li>• Executive Director, Coalition for the Defence of Public Education, Cheikh Mbow (v)</li><li>• Representative, West African Science Service Centre on Climate Change and Adapted Land Use, N`Datchoh Evelyne Toure</li><li>• Academic Officer, UNU-EHS, Erick Tambo (p)</li></ul>

\* All times are Niamey time (UTC+1).



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advocacy, communication and policy lead at PACJA, Philip Kilonzo (p)</li> <li>• Young Professional for Agriculture Development (YPAD), Koffi Acquaye (p)</li> </ul>		
10.30–11 a.m.	Coffee break		
11 a.m.–12.30 p.m.	<b>Session 3: Breakout sessions</b>		
	<p><b>Achieving a just and equitable transition for all</b></p> <p><i>Room: Salle de Commission 2</i></p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Professor, Abdou Moumouni University, Saïdou Madougou (p)</p> <p><i>Setting the scene:</i> Senior Environmental Affairs Officer (Energy, Infrastructure and Climate Change), ECA, Linus Mofor (p)</p> <p><i>Panellists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Director General, Ministry of the Environment and Sustainable Development, Côte d’Ivoire, Gustave Aboua</li> <li>• Climate Resilience Lead, WRI, Nisha Krishnan (v)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Global goal on adaptation</b></p> <p><i>Room: Salle de Commission 3</i></p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Mclay Kanyangarara, Consultant, African Climate Policy Centre</p> <p><i>Setting the scene:</i> TBD</p> <p><i>Panellists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordination Officer and Head, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction African Union Liaison Office, Mathewos Tulu (p)</li> <li>• Manager, Adaptation Programme, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, Paul Desanker</li> </ul>	<p><b>Loss and damage</b></p> <p><i>Room: Salle Huis Clos</i></p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Senior Natural Resources Expert, African Climate Policy Centre, ECA, Frank Rutabingwa (v)</p> <p><i>Setting the scene:</i> Chief, African Climate Policy Centre, ECA, James Murombedzi (p)</p> <p><i>Panellists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technical Coordinator of Disaster Risk Reduction, African Union Commission, Gatkuoth Kai</li> <li>• Principal Programme Coordinator, Climate Change and Green Growth Department,</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daouda Abdoulaye, Ministry of Energy, Niger (p)</li> <li>• Advisor, Ministry of Petroleum, Mines and Energy, Mauritania, Ismail Abdel Vetah</li> <li>• Representative of Senegal</li> <li>• Executive Director, Pan African Climate Justice Alliance, Mithika Mwenda (p)</li> <li>• Research Fellow, United Nations University, Thelma Arko (p)</li> </ul> <p><i>Discussion</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• United Nations Development Programme, Niger, Moussa Gousmane</li> <li>• Climate Policy Adviser, Cooperative for Assistance and Relief Anywhere, Denmark, Obed Koringo</li> <li>• Faculté des Sciences et Techniques (FST), University of Maradi, Soulé Moussa (p)</li> <li>• Deon Shekuza, Youth Advocate for Sustainable Development, Namibia (p)</li> </ul> <p><i>Discussion</i></p>	<p>African Development Bank, Davinah Milenge Uwella</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinator, Civil Society Network on Climate Change, Julius Ng'oma (p)</li> <li>• Focal Point, Early Warning System Coordination Team, Mahaman Bohari Barmou Batoure (p)</li> <li>• President, National Youth Climate Observatory, Gabon, Astride Onovo (p)</li> </ul> <p><i>Discussion</i></p>
12.30–1.15 p.m.	<p><b>Session 4: Reports from breakout sessions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Achieving a just and equitable transition for all</li> <li>• Global goal on adaptation</li> <li>• Loss and damage</li> </ul>		
1.15–2.30 p.m.	Lunch break		
<b>Day 2: 27 February 2023</b>			

Time	Description
9–10 a.m.	<p data-bbox="577 316 1178 347"><b>Session 5: Welcome and opening statements</b></p> <p data-bbox="577 384 1872 416"><b>Moderator:</b> Dean, Faculty of Science and Technology, Abdou Moumouni University, Bisso Saley (p)</p> <p data-bbox="577 440 976 472">Welcome and opening remarks</p> <ul data-bbox="613 496 1827 727" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vice Chancellor, Abdou Moumouni University (p)</li> <li>• Director General, African Centre of Meteorological Applications for Development, André Kanga Foamouhoue (p)</li> <li>• Resident Coordinator, Niger, Louise Aubin (p)</li> <li>• Director, Subregional Office for West Africa, ECA, Ngone Diop (p)</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="577 759 797 791">Opening remarks</p> <ul data-bbox="613 815 1906 1086" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Counsellor/Programme Manager Environment, Embassy of Sweden, Ethiopia, Anna Tjärvar (v)</li> <li>• Director, Sustainable Environment and Blue Economy Directorate, African Union Commission, Harsen Nyambe</li> <li>• Coordinator, Climate and Development Special Fund, African Development Bank, James Kinyangi</li> <li>• Executive Director, Pan-African Climate Justice Alliance, Mithika Mwenda (p)</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="577 1110 842 1142">Opening of the talks</p> <ul data-bbox="613 1166 1906 1230" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minister for the Environment and for Combating Desertification, Niger, Garama Saratou Rabiou Inoussa (p)</li> </ul>

10–10.45 a.m.

**Session 6: Setting the scene for the Africa climate talks – reflections on the outcomes of the twenty-seventh session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change**

**Moderator:** Chief, African Climate Policy Centre, ECA, James Murombedzi (p)

**Setting the scene:** Mithika Mwenda, Executive Director, PACJA (p)

**Segment one: COP27 Outcomes**

**Panellists:**

- Representative of the President of the twenty-seventh session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, Mohamed Nasr
- Special Advisor to the United Nations climate change high-level champions, Bogolo Kenewendo (v)
- Chair, African Group of Negotiators (climate change), Ephraim Mwepya Shitima (v)
- Director, Africa-Energy-Environment, El hadji Mbaye Diagne
- Consultant, African Group of Negotiators, Yao Osafo (v)
- Consultant, African Group of Negotiators, Xolisa Ngwadla (v)
- Regional Lead, Regional Collaboration Centre, Western and Francophone Africa, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, Walters Tubua
- Youth Representative, PACJA, Idriss Adoum Idriss

Discussion

10.45–11.15 a.m.

Coffee break

11.15 a.m.–noon

**Session 7: Setting the scene for the Africa climate talks – the implications for climate resilience and human security in the Sahel of the outcomes of the twenty-seventh session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change**

**Moderator:** Regional Coordinator, WASCAL, Seyni Salack (p)

**Setting the scene:** Sahel Climate Commission

**Segment two: Implications of COP27 outcomes for the Sahel**

**Panellists:**

- Director, Save the Children African Union Liaison and Pan-Africa Office, Doris Mpoumou (p)
- Executive Secretary, Bioresources Development and Conservation Programme Cameroon, Augustine Njamshi (p)
- Director, Niger National Meteorological Services, Katiellou Gaptia Lawan (p)
- Executive Director, Youth Advocates Ghana, Emmanuel Ametepey (p)
- Head Climate Risk and Human Security, Institute for Security Studies, Dhesigen Naidoo (v)
- Ama Essel, AGN Coordinator for Response Measures (v)

Discussion

Noon–1 p.m.

**Session 8: Leveraging the Great Green Wall for the Sahara and the Sahel Initiative and ecosystems-based adaptation for enhanced resilience and improved gender and youth entrepreneurship opportunities in the Sahel**

**Moderator:** Coordinator, Great Green Wall for the Sahara and the Sahel Initiative, African Union Commission, Elvis Paul Tangem (v)

**Setting the scene:** Executive Director, GreenAid, Tabi Joda (p)

	<p><b>Ministerial statement:</b> Minister for Humanitarian Action and Catastrophe Management, Niger, Laouan Magagi (tbc)</p> <p><b>Panellists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UAM Rector in Diffa, Faculté des Sciences et Techniques, Ali Mahamane (p)</li> <li>• Executive Director, Enda Lead Francophone Africa, Moussa Mbaye Gueye</li> <li>• Team Leader and Head of Research and Analysis Section, United Nations Office for West Africa and the Sahel, Ngozi Amu</li> <li>• Youth representative, Natwa Hindina Pierre (v)</li> <li>• Bioethicist &amp; Agroecologist, Pascaline Yao (p)</li> </ul> <p>Discussion</p>
1–2 p.m.	Lunch break
2–3 p.m.	<p><b>Session 9: Ensuring better climate information services for enhanced resilience and improved livelihoods in the Sahel</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Lecturer, Faculty of Science &amp; Technology, UAM, Rabani Adamou (p)</p> <p><b>Setting the scene:</b> Director General, African Centre of Meteorological Applications for Development, André Kamga Foamouhoue (p)</p> <p><b>Ministerial statement:</b> Minister for Transport, Niger, Oumarou Malam Alma (tbc)</p> <p><b>Panellists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assistant Lecturer, Faculty of Science and Technology, Abdou Moumouni University, Abdou Saley Inoussa (p)</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chief, Technology Section, ECA, Mactar Seck (p)</li> <li>• Director, Niger Meteorological Agency, Gaptia Lawan Katiellou (p)</li> <li>• Professor of Earthquake Engineering and Disaster Risk Management, University of Science and Technology Houari Boumediene, Djillali Benouar (p)</li> <li>• Abia Tangeni, Treaties Investments, Namibia (p)</li> <li>• Researcher, Climate Research for Development in Africa, and representative, Environment Monitoring Centre, Senegal, Ibrahima Sy (v)</li> <li>• Researcher, University of Abomey-Calavi, Marthe Montcho (p)</li> <li>• Programme Manager, Regional Office for Africa, World Meteorological Organization, Mariane Diop Kane</li> </ul> <p><i>Discussion</i></p>
3–3.30 p.m.	Break
3.30–5 p.m	<p><b>Session 10: High Level dialogue on Consolidating Africa’s Voice and Action for Just Climate Financing in Africa</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Coordinator, Civil Society Network on Climate Change, Julius Ng’oma (p)</p> <p><b>Guiding Question 1:</b> <i>Taking Stock on our collective action towards influencing greater access to climate finance in Africa: What are our Wins, misses and opportunities?</i></p> <p><b>Guiding Question 2:</b> <i>What collective, political, programming and institutional arrangements must be instituted for Africa to access climate finance at scale?</i></p> <p><b>Panellists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bertha Argueta- Senior Advisor - Climate Finance and Development, Germanwatch</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Madelene Diouf Sarr, Focal Person, DNA, Senegal</li> <li>• Seyni Nafo, Coordinator, Africa Adaptation Initiative</li> <li>• Mithika Mwenda, Executive Director, PACJA (p)</li> <li>• Mwanahamisi Singano, Senior Global policy lead, WEDO</li> <li>• Jean-Paul Adam, Director, Technology, Climate Change and Natural Resource Management, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (p)</li> <li>• Bring Christophe, Focal Person, Designated National Authority, Cameroon</li> <li>• Peter Odhengo, Africa Designated National Authority Network (AFDAN)</li> </ul> <p><i>Discussion</i></p>
5–5.30 p.m.	<p><b>Session 10: Key messages and reflections on the outcome of the talks and the implications for African positions at the eleventh Conference on Climate Change and Development in Africa and the twenty-eighth session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Chief, African Climate Policy Centre, ECA, James Murombedzi (p)</p> <p><b>Setting the scene:</b> Senior Environmental Affairs Officer (Energy, Infrastructure and Climate Change), ECA, Linus Mofor (p)</p>
5.30–6p.m.	<p><b>Session 11: Closing statements</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Chief, African Climate Policy Centre, ECA, James Murombedzi (p)</p>

- Director, Technology, Climate Change and Natural Resources Management Division, ECA, Jean-Paul Adam (p)
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