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President's Welcome Message AM 2025 in Nairobi

Dear Colleagues,

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the second ACUNS Annual Meeting in Africa. The first was held in 2019 in Stellenbosch, South Africa. I hope for more gatherings in the Global South as ACUNS strives to become more inclusive, geographically, thematically and in terms of gender.

We are meeting at a challenging time for multilateralism. After the end of the Cold War that had paralyzed the United Nations, hopes were high that the Organization could finally move humanity forward to a New World Order, peace, respect for human rights and a life “in larger freedom,” as Kofi Annan entitled his path breaking legacy report. The UN supervised the first democratic elections in South Africa that ended Apartheid, a major triumph, but suffered catastrophic setbacks with the calamity in Somalia, the genocide in Rwanda and the murders of Srebrenica. However, instead of retreating, UN Member States agreed on humanitarian interventions, the Responsibility to Protect and the establishment of an International Criminal Court. These initiatives did not survive Western interventions in Iraq and Libya, the poison attacks on its own people by the Syrian dictator, Russia's wanton aggression against Ukraine, the vicious Hamas-Israel confrontation or the cruel civil wars in Ethiopia, Sudan, Myanmar and elsewhere. No one calls for outside intervention to stop the slaughter, despite egregious violations of human rights and international humanitarian law. International assistance is dwindling, the respect for agreed norms subsiding and the financial support for the United Nations is nosediving. Multilateralism is in a deepening crisis.

As analysts, we need to recognize this new reality while, as citizens of the world, work to overcome it and to keep alive the flame of international cooperation. For ACUNS as a professional association of analysts, we must ensure the unhindered exchange of views, arguments and data across continents, countries and communities. We do not strive for a consensual view on the world's problems, but we insist on the significance of facts, of reasoned arguments and of respect for divergent views. In this spirit, I welcome you to this year's ACUNS Annual Meeting in Nairobi and look forward to fruitful discussions and enriching personal encounters. Special thanks to all who made this meeting possible.



Franz Baumann,

President

OVERVIEW

All times are in East Africa Time (UTC+3)

MONDAY, 23 JUNE 2025

Location: University of Nairobi

2:30 - 3:30 pm	Registration & Badge Collection
3:30 – 5:30 pm	Opening Plenary and Keynote Address Dr. Franz Baumann , ACUNS President & Researcher Georgetown University Professor Margaret Jesang Hutchinson , Vice Chancellor, University of Nairobi. Title of Address: <i>Tackling African Environmental Crises through Research, Innovation and Multilateralism</i> Professor Gilbert Ouma , Institute of Climate Change and Adaptation (ICCA) Professor Siphila W. Mumenya Dean, Faculty of Engineering Professor Albert Mumma , Centre for Advanced Studies on Environmental Law and Policy (CASELAP) Ms. Seraphine Kando , Human Rights Specialist, African Union Commission Dr. David Obura , Founder and Director, Cordio East Africa and Chair, Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) Mr. Edwin Abonyo , Chairman National Museums of Kenya Representative Ministry of Education (invited) Representative Ministry of Foreign Affairs (invited) Representative Ministry of the Environment (invited) Professor Maria Ivanova , Co-Chair 2025 ACUNS Annual Meeting Co-Moderator: Professor Alice Odingo , Co-Chair 2025 ACUNS Annual Meeting Co-Moderator: Ambassador Ababu Namwamba , Permanent Representative of Kenya to the United Nations Office in Nairobi (UNON)
5:30 – 7:00 pm	Opening Reception

TUESDAY, 24 JUNE 2025

Location: University of Nairobi

8:30 – 9:00 am	Registration & Badge Collection
9:00 – 10:15 am	TUE-A: Simultaneous Panels and Roundtables
10:15 – 10:30 am	Coffee/Tea Break
10:30 – 11:45 am	TUE-B: Simultaneous Panels and Roundtables
12:00 – 1:00 pm	The Case for an Arid Cities Network? Earthna Center for a Sustainable Future Dr. Michal Mlynar , Deputy Executive-Director, UN-Habitat Ms. Maja Groff , Convenor, Climate Governance Commission UN Mission in South Sudan Official (invited)

Mr. Sebastien Turbot, Earthna Center for a Sustainable Future
Moderator: **Ms. Maria Kisumbi**, Humanity United

Grace Gao, Executive Director, Global SDGs and Leadership Development Center | Launch of the Young Scientist SDGs Award

Amb. Sani Bala, Executive Director, Savannah Centre for Diplomacy, Democracy, and Development | Overview of the ANUMDI (African Research Network on Regional & Global Governance Innovation) 2nd Annual Meeting in Nairobi

1:00 - 2:00 pm Lunch
2:15 – 3:30 pm TUE-C: Simultaneous Panels and Roundtables
3:30 – 3:45 pm Coffee/Tea Break

4:00 – 5:00 pm **ACUNS Lecture in Honour of Kofi Annan | Intergenerational Dialogue**
Mr. Donald Kaniaru, Managing Partner, Kaniaru & Kaniaru Advocates
|International Council of Environmental Law (ICEL) Representative to UNEP
Mr. Alphonse Munyao Muia, Headquarter and Host Country Focal Point, UNEP
Children and Youth Major Group (CYMG)
Moderator: **Professor Maria Ivanova**, Co-Chair, ACUNS Annual Meeting

5:15 – 6:15 pm **Theatre Performance**
Who knows it feels it: a waste pickers' perspective for a just transition
Professor Cressida Bowyer, University of Portsmouth
Professor Erika Hughes, University of the Arts London
Members of the **Kenyan National Waste Pickers Welfare Association** and
the **Social Justice Travelling Theatre**

6:00 - 7:00 pm Light Reception

WEDNESDAY, 25 JUNE

Location: United Nations Offices, Gigiri

7:30 – 8:30 am Security & Check-in
8:30 – 9:45 am WED-A: Simultaneous Panels and Roundtables
9:45 – 10:00 am Coffee/Tea Break
10:00 - 11:15 am WED-B: Simultaneous Panels and Roundtables

11:30 – 12:30 pm **Holmes Lecture**
Ms. Zainab Hawa Bangura, Director-General, UNON
Professor David Passarelli, Director, United Nations University - Centre for Policy Research
Title of Address: *Ingenuity and Impact: Reflecting on 80 Years of Multilateral Cooperation Amid Global Reordering*

Moderator: **Professor Lise Howard**, Georgetown University

12:30 – 1:30 pm

Global Policy Dialogue: Readouts & Feedback

Mr. Ababu Namwamba, Permanent Representative of Kenya to UNEP & UNON

Mr. Peter Maddens, Ambassador of Belgium to Kenya, Madagascar, Seychelles, Comoros, Eritrea, Somalia; Permanent Representative to UNEP and Habitat

Mr. Henk Jan Bakker, Ambassador of the Netherlands to Kenya, Somalia, Eritrea and Seychelles; Permanent Representative to UNEP and Habitat

Mr. Mirko Giulietti, Ambassador of Switzerland to Kenya, Eritrea, Rwanda, Somalia and Uganda Permanent Representative to UNEP and Habitat

Ms. Seraphine Kando, Human Rights Specialist, African Union Commission

Co-Moderator: **Ms. Nudhara Yusuf**, Stimson Center, Global Governance Innovation Network

Co-Moderator: **Dr. Richard Ponzio**, Stimson Center and Co-Director, Global Governance Innovation Network

1:30 - 2:30 pm

Lunch

2:30 - 4:00 pm

Pioneering Environmental Governance: The Role of the UN and the Path Forward

Mr. Themba Kalua, Director, Pact of the Future Implementation, Executive Office of the UN Secretary General (EOSG)

Mr. Stephen Jackson, UN Resident Coordinator in Kenya

Ms. Edlam Abera Yemeru, Director of External Relations Strategy, Knowledge, and Innovation Division, UN-Habitat

Ms. Patricia Mbote, Director, Law Division, United Nations Environment Programme

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AWARDS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACUNS Dissertation Award Winner

ACUNS Service Award

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4:00 – 5:00 pm

Closing Reception

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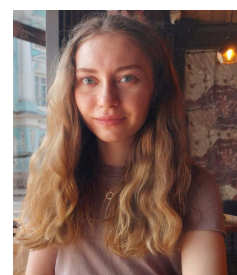
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WAYS TO ENGAGE & HOW TO PREPARE

The 2025 ACUNS Annual Meeting will have following types of Panels/Roundtables:

- **In-Person:** panels and roundtables where ALL of the speakers are joining us in Nairobi, Kenya.
- **Hybrid:** panels and roundtables where SOME (but not all) of the speakers will join us in-person.
- **Virtual:** panels and roundtables where ALL of the speakers are unable to attend in person. The [v] signifies virtual attendance. (Please see the Virtual programme on our website).
- **Youth Track** will be included in the virtual programming for the Meeting.

In-Person Attendees:

Please bring your laptop and earphones to facilitate hybrid interaction and be mindful to include online participants in discussions. Speakers tuning in via Zoom are indicated with a [v] for virtual. Please note that for Kenya the associated plug type is G, which is the plug that has three rectangular pins in a triangular pattern. Kenya operates on a 240V supply voltage and 50Hz. You may consider the use of a travel adaptor, which is a device that simply allows you to plug any electrical appliance into a foreign electrical socket. It is important to note that it does not convert the voltage or frequency.

Hybrid Presenters:

The Planning Committee made every effort to incorporate your Panel or Roundtable at a time that would accommodate both in-person and virtual engagement. We will make the Zoom links that would be used for the Hybrid sessions available 3 days before the start of the Annual Meeting and will inform all participants when they are available.

Virtual Presenters (including the Youth Track):

For Panels or Roundtables where ALL speakers are not attending in-person, the Planning Committee is in the process of scheduling your presentation. The schedule of Virtual Panels and Virtual Roundtables will be published in early June. In addition to panels and roundtables, we will have three High Level Sessions specifically for virtual attendees. This will be an opportunity for all online participants to come together and engage on a subject that aligns with the theme and interests of the 2025 Annual Meeting.

Reminders to Chairs, Discussants, and Authors

NB: Panels include a Chair, a Discussant, and several authors of working papers or policy briefs. Roundtables are composed of a Chair (book author for book roundtables), and several experts who provide commentary.

Chairs contact all panel/roundtable participants approximately 10 days ahead of the Annual Meeting to facilitate the logistics of the session. ACUNS will provide each Chair with the email addresses. For additional assistance, contact annualmeeting@ACUNS.org

Chairs request that authors – of working papers, policy briefs or books – circulate their work to the discussant(s) and other panelists at least one week before the Annual Meeting. During the meeting, Chairs are responsible for introducing the speakers, keeping time, and facilitating meaningful research-policy discussions and debate among panelists and between panelists and the audience. Make sure to reserve around 20 minutes at the end for Q&A. We will place time cards in each room, so you can flag to each panelist how much time they have left and ensure sufficient time for Q&A.

Discussants are responsible for reading working papers and policy briefs ahead of time, and for providing constructive feedback during the panel in approximately 7-10 minutes total. Discussants should receive materials one week ahead of the meeting.

Authors on Panels are responsible for sharing their materials – working papers and policy briefs—with the discussant(s) and fellow panelists at least one week before the Annual Meeting. Authors may also want to familiarize themselves with the works of fellow panelists in order to engage in a more meaningful discussion. Authors should present their research/policy findings in approximately 7-10 minutes during their panel. Authors can, but are not required to, use slides.

Roundtable Participants provide expert commentary on a specific theme or book. Comments should be limited to 8-10 minutes, depending on the number of other participants and advice of the Chair.

Attendees who do not otherwise have a speaking role are encouraged to participate in the Q & A, and to apply to participate in a future ACUNS Annual Meeting!

Global Governance Workshop for Prospective Authors

University of Nairobi, Tuesday, 24 June 2025

The editors of *Global Governance: A Review of Multilateralism and International Organizations*, you to participate in an authors' workshop organized as part of the ACUNS Annual Meeting.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this authors' workshop is for prospective authors from underrepresented groups, in particular Global South scholars, to receive detailed feedback on their individual papers to improve the chances of publication in *Global Governance*. It is intended to inform prospective authors about the editorial process and to provide closer interaction between editors and authors.

Session #1 TUE-A1 *In-Person*, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Publishing Workshop Session 1

Room: Press Room (5TH Floor)

Open to all ACUNS registered attendees. This session will provide insights into the journal's scope, policies, and publishing standards. Participants will learn how to publish in *Global Governance* and have the opportunity to ask questions.

Presenters:

Alanna O'MALLEY, Leiden University

Aigul KULNAZAROVA, Tama University

Frank MATTHEIS, United Nations University

Inken von BORZYSKOWSKI, University of Oxford

Session #2 TUE-B10 *In-Person*, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, Publishing Workshop Session 2

Room: Press Room (5TH Floor)

This is a closed session, for only those whose papers were accepted through the Application Process. These select participants will engage with journal editors and peers to receive feedback on their individual papers, with a focus on improving writing, argumentation, and publication quality. Accepted participants will be divided into four groups, with three papers per group in the 75-minute session.

Our objective is to help develop papers into drafts that have a higher chance of eventually being published in *Global Governance*.

ABOUT GLOBAL GOVERNANCE

The journal *Global Governance* showcases the expertise of leading scholars and practitioners concerned with the processes of international cooperation and multilateralism. Research articles explore pressing transnational challenges of our time, such as peace and security, development, human rights, the environment, and health.

ZOOM INFORMATION AND ETIQUETTE









1. How to Join a Zoom Meeting

- Click the link in your email invite. If needed, choose to **download and open the Zoom application**. **Sometimes Zoom may need to be updated, so you can update the application and join.*
- Or open Zoom, click **Join**, and enter the Meeting ID and passcode from the invite
- **Dial in by phone**: call the listed number, enter ID and participant ID (#), and password if prompted

2. Tech Check (Join a Few Minutes Early)

- Test audio and video when prompted: choose **"Join with Computer Audio"**
- If the connection is slow, try turning **off your video**
- Make sure you're in a **quiet, well-lit space** and frame your face clearly

3. Main Zoom Controls (*usually at the bottom of the screen*)

Button	Icon	What it Does
Mute/Unmute		Click to mute mic (red line when muted); click again to speak
Video On/Off		Toggle camera; red slash = off
Participants		View the list of attendees
Chat		Send messages or questions
Share Screen		Only use if you're presenting
Reactions/Raise Hand	 / 	Raise your hand or give quick feedback
Leave Meeting		Click when the meeting ends or when you want to exit

4. Etiquette Tips

1. **Arrive early** to sort out any technical issues
2. **Mute yourself** unless you're speaking to reduce background noise
3. **Look at the camera** when speaking, not the screen
4. **Use the chat** for questions or comments without interrupting
5. **No multitasking**: avoid eating, typing, or leaving your seat
6. **Dress appropriately**, present yourself professionally
7. **Simple, clean background**, and ensure good lighting
8. **Use the Raise Hand reaction** before speaking

5. Extra Features

- **Switch Views**:
 - **Gallery view** shows everyone.
 - **Speaker view** shows whoever's talking
- **Rename yourself**: Click on your name in the participants list → choose "Rename"
- **Virtual background**: If enabled, select under video settings

6. Phone Call Tips

- To **mute/unmute on phone**, press *6; to **raise hand**, press *9
- To **switch audio**: on the computer, click the arrow next to the mic → select "Switch to Phone Audio"

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2:30 - 3:30 PM

OPENING PLENARY AND KEYNOTE ADDRESS

3:30 – 5:30 PM

Dr. Franz Baumann, ACUNS President & Researcher Georgetown University | Opening Remarks

Professor Margaret Jesang Hutchinson, Vice Chancellor, University of Nairobi.

Title of Address: *Tackling African Environmental Crises through Research, Innovation and Multilateralism*

Professor Gilbert Ouma, Institute of Climate Change and Adaptation (ICCA)

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Ms. Rose Mwebaza, United Nations Regional Office for Africa

Dr. David Obura, Founder and Director, Cordio East Africa and Chair, Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)

Mr. Edwin Abonyo, Chairman National Museums of Kenya

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OPENING RECEPTION

5:30 - 7:00 PM

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8:00 – 9:00 AM

TUESDAY IN-PERSON AND HYBRID SESSIONS

TUE-A SESSIONS: 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM TUESDAY, JUNE 24

TUE-A1 *In-Person* Roundtable, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Press Room (5TH Floor)
Publishing Workshop Session 1

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TUE-A2 *Hybrid* Roundtable, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Room: MLT 401 (4TH Floor)
Asian Perspectives on the Effective Role of the United Nations in the Turbulent Era

Franz BAUMANN (Chair), President of the Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS)
Zhang YUNFEI, UNU-China
Yasushi KATSUMA, Waseda University
Young HOON SONG, Kangwon National University [v]
Tu XINQUAN, The University of International Business and Economics
Yasuhiro UEKI, Sophia University [v]
DongJoon PARK, Jeju Peace Institute (and Director of General Affairs at KACUNS)

TUE-A3, *In-Person* Roundtable, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Room: 1101 (11TH Floor)
Evidence of Environmental Health Impacts and NGO/Academic Partner Multidisciplinary Team
Local Sustainable Mitigations for HIV+ Women in Kenya

Laura L. VAN AUKER (Chair), Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing
Nicholas KAMATU, Health Education Africa Resource Team

Mariana OMENDA, Health Education Africa Resource Team
Stephen CAVANAGH, Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing, University of California, Davis, USA
Carole WAGORO, School of Nursing, University of Nairobi, Kenya
Jared ABUGA, Health Education Africa Resource Team

TUE-A4 *In-Person* Panel, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Room: Theatre Room 04 (5TH Floor)
Incorporating Sustainable Solutions to Address the Triple Planetary Crisis

Orleans MFUNE (Chair), University of Zambia
Jackline NYERERE (Discussant) Kenyatta University

Population, Climate Change, and Sustainable Development in Africa
Ndirangu NGUNJIRI, University of Nairobi
Anthony KAMAU, University of Nairobi

Climate Change Threat to Peace and Security in Northern Kenya
Ndirangu NGUNJIRI, University of Nairobi

Introducing the Environmental Peacebuilding Geoportal
Dahlia SIMANGAN, Hiroshima University

Multilateralism and Climate Finance in Transition: Institutional Barriers, Emerging Models, and Pathways to Reform
Saima KHALID, Thammasat University

TUE-A5 *Hybrid* Panel, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Room: Graduate Board Room (Graduate Library)

Strengthening Resilience through Justice and Territory: The Role of the Public Ministry and Traditional Communities in Brazil

Antonella CONTIN (Chair), Politecnico di Milano
Charlotte KU (Discussant), Texas A&M University, School of Law

Legal Innovation and Community-Based Disaster Prevention in Petrópolis ("Zero Deaths" Project)
Denise TARIN, Public Ministry of Rio de Janeiro (MPRJ)

Health-Environment Connections and Participatory Risk Management in Vulnerable Territories
Priscilla CAMPOS, Fiocruz [v]

Biodiversity, Memory and Territory: The Role of Traditional Communities in Building Socio-Environmental Justice
Yara VALVERDE, Environmental Advocate and Researcher [v]
Social Cartography and the Rights of Traditional Peoples and Communities
Edmundo GALLO, University of São Paulo / Brazil [v]

Territorial Antifragility, Legal Geography, and Feminist Approaches to Public Space and Governance
Sarah Isabella CHIODI, Politecnico di Milano

TUE-A6 Hybrid Panel, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Room: 808 (8TH floor)

Gendered Impacts of Climate Change on Women in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Call for Inclusive Policy Frameworks

Olanike ADELAKUN (Chair), Lead City University

Olanike ADELAKUN (Discussant), Lead City University

Policy Frameworks for Gender-Responsive Climate Action in Sub-Saharan Africa

Ndoni EREBI, University of Bradford [v]

Understanding the Gendered Dimensions of Climate Vulnerability and the Role of Grassroot Activism in Climate Justice

Adedayo ADELAKUN, AND Attorneys

Women as Environmental Stewards: Case Studies from West and South Africa

Olayinka ADENIYI, Rhodes University [v]

Indigenous Knowledge and Climate Resilience: Lessons from East and Central Africa

Miriam Zacharia MATINDA, Institute of Accountancy

A Climate of Change: The Role of Climate Women in Nigeria's Fight for Food Security.

Taiye ORIJA, Institute for Social Development, University of the Western Cape, South Africa.

Emmanuel OJEKUNLE, The Lush Culture

TUE-A7 Hybrid Roundtable, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Room: Theatre 05 (5TH Floor)

Bridging Divides: Addressing Refugee Crisis and Climate Change in Europe and the Middle East

Martijn DALHUIJSEN (Co-chair), UNAMI

Forough JONGHANI (Co-chair), Arcadis

Ilona KATER, University of Cambridge [v]

Reza ARAB, The University of Queensland

Hamed SHEIBANYRAD, Iran Novin Party

Arthur DAHL, President of the International Environment Forum [v]

Ahang HABIB HAWAMI, Sbey Research

Raber TALAAT, Sbey Research

TUE-A8 In-Person Panel, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Room: 901 (9TH Floor)

Integrating Justice into Environmental and Development Governance

Kuniko ASHIZAWA (Chair), American University

Kuniko ASHIZAWA (Discussant), American University

Equity at the Intersection of Environmental and Humanitarian Governance: Insights from Kenya's Refugee Fintech Innovations

Yue WANG, School of International Organizations, Beijing Foreign Studies University

Multilateral Development Banks' Intervention in Nigeria: Exploring the Interplay Between Social, Environmental Justice and Climate Finance

Adebayo ABATI, Olabisi Onabanjo University [v]

Lawal OLUWASEUN, Lead City University,

From Conflict to Convergence: Aligning Environmental Protection and Human Rights in Investor-state Dispute Settlement

Ayushi VASHISHT, University of Oxford

Multilateral Development Banks' Intervention in Nigeria: Exploring the Interplay Between Social, Environmental Justice and Climate Finance

Adebayo ABATI, Olabisi Onabanjo University [v]

TUE-A9 Hybrid Roundtable, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Room:702 (7TH Floor)

TUE-A10 In-Person Panel, 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM, Room: 902 (9TH Floor)

New Evidence on How to Achieve Societal and Environmental Change

Lise HOWARD (Chair), Georgetown University

Ken OPALO (Discussant), Georgetown University

Disaster Risk Reduction Through Multilateral Network: South Asia Case Study

Sanjay SHARMA, Pondicherry University

Inclusiveness of Indigenous Water Practices in Urban Sustainability

Olayemi SOLADOYE, Lagos State University

Ibrahim SALAMI, Lagos State University of Education

The COP Climate Framework Annual Meetings: Impact and Potential

Henry (Chip) CAREY, Georgia State University

Multi-Stakeholder Engagement in Scientific Research

Sadhbh CREAN, Trinity College Dublin

Amy FAHY, Maynooth University

Joseph ROCHE, Trinity College Dublin

TUE-A11 In-Person Roundtable, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Room: 106 (Hyslop Building)

Leveraging Local Engagement for the Advancement of MEAs (Multilateral Environmental Agreements) and Climate Justice

Charity MWABU (Chair), Tendet Foundation
Muusi NGUUTU NZYOKA, University of Nairobi
Boniface MUEMA HARRISON, Muema Action-Post

TUE-A12 *Hybrid* Roundtable, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Room: 1002 (10TH Floor)
African Perspectives on the G20 Summit in 2025 hosted by South Africa

Sani BALA (Chair), Savannah Centre for Diplomacy, Democracy, and Development
Tsion HAGOS, Amani Africa Media and Research Services
Pamla GOPAUL, AUDA-NEPAD
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TUE-A13 *Hybrid* Panel, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Room: 1002: 10TH Floor
Security Council Reform

Alice WABULE (Chair), Cavendish University Uganda
Courtney SMITH (Discussant), Seton Hall University

Women and Leadership in the UN Security Council
Alynn LYON, University of New Hampshire [v]

The War in Ukraine and the Reform of the UN Security Council
Stelian DIMITROV, Kliment Ohridski University in Sofia
Maria STOICHEVA, Sofia University 'Kliment Ohridski'

UN Security Council Reform: Changing Climate?
Marcel JESENSKÝ, Université d'Ottawa

Role of United Nations in Fostering World Peace: A Review
M. Ashaq MALIK, Higher Education Department, Jammu & Kashmir

TUE-A14 *In-Person* Panel, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Room: Theatre Room 03 (5TH Floor)
Environmental Governance and the Future of Africa: Leveraging multilateralism for justice, equity and sustainability

Rebekah SHIRLEY (Chair), World Resources Institute
Tim MURITHI (Discussant), University of Cape Town

Leveraging UN Reforms for poverty eradication and sustainable development among the low- and middle-income countries,
Alice ODINGO, University of Nairobi, and Vice President, ACUNS

Reforming Climate governance for sustainable Africa

Dr. Ademola LAWAL, Savannah Centre for Diplomacy, Democracy, and Development and Coordinator, ANUMDI: African Research Network to Advance Regional and Global Governance Innovation,

Invigorating African research through Regional economic Communities for development and sustainability
Wanjiru KANYIHA, Network Coordinator, Global Public Investment Network,

Africa, Research and the Future: Learning from the past to align the future

Mahat Mohamed AHMED, Director of the One Earth Future Foundation's Shuraaako initiative in Somalia and former CEO of the International Bank of Somalia

TUE-A15 Hybrid Roundtable, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Room: MLT 402 (4TH Floor)

Global Policy Dialogue Roundtable One: Global Governance of Climate

Rebekah SHIRLEY (Chair), Deputy Director, World Resources Institute Africa

Maja GROFF, Convenor, Climate Governance Commission [v]

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Maria KISUMBI, Humanity United (Moderator)

TUE-B SESSIONS: 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM TUESDAY, JUNE 24

TUE-B1 Hybrid Roundtable, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, Room: MLT 402 (4TH Floor)

Global Governance Innovation Report 2025 Launch

Richard PONZIO, Global Governance Innovation Network and Stimson Center

Nudhara YUSUF, Global Governance Innovation Network and Stimson Center

Rebecca SNYDER, Stimson Center [v]

Edna RAMIREZ ROBLES, University of Guadalajara Law School

Stephen BROWNE, University of Geneva [v]

Alice ODINGO, (Moderator) University of Nairobi and Vice President, ACUNS

TUE-B2 In-Person Panel, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM: Room 1102 (11TH Floor)

A Holistic Assessment of Necessities Required to Achieve Climate Goals

Tu XINQUAN (Chair), The University of International Business and Economics

Renata JULIOTTI (Discussant), University of Sao Paulo (UMESP)

The Role of Universal Health Coverage (UHC) in Achieving SDG 13

Daniel ONYETULEM, Stevenson Holistic Care Foundation

Structural Violence Perpetuates Vulnerability: Amending the Approach to Natural Disasters in Light of the Disproportionate Harm to Persons with Disabilities

Frannie ROSEN, Georgetown University

Net-zero 2060 in Nigeria: A Fact or Fallacy? (A Critical Appraisal of the Nigerian Climate Change Act)

Lawal OLUWASEUN, Lead University

Olutomiwa BINUYO, University of Western Cape

Adebayo ABATI, Olabisi Onabanjo University [v]

A September to Remember - Tales of Complete Devastation in the Caribbean: The Response of Regional Leadership

Kai-Ann SKEETE, University of West Indies Cave Hill Campus Barbados

TUE-B3 *In-Person* Roundtable, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, Room: Theatre 03 (5TH Floor)
Femicide: The Modern Woman's Menace

Joan MAGERO (Chair), Kenya Veterinary Board

Rose MWANGI, Self-Employed

Elizabeth NYADWE, Nyadwe Insurance Brokers

Naom KABUCHO, APA Insurance

Wanjiku NJORGE, ICYE Kenya

Kristina TATIANA, University of Nairobi

Teddy KIPROTICH, Undergraduate student, University of Nairobi

Billy OJUKA, Intern at Kenya Institute of Primate Research (KEPRE)

TUE-B4 *In-Person* Roundtable, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, Room: Graduate Board Room (Graduate Library)
Climate Change, SDGs and Education

Jackline NYERERE (Chair), Kenyatta University

Farai KAPFUDZARUWA, University of Cape Town

Orleans MFUNE, University of Zambia

Alice ODINGO, University of Nairobi and Vice President, ACUNS

TUE-B5 *Hybrid* Panel, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, Room: 808 (8TH Floor)
Metropolitan Diplomacy and Heritage: Advancing Sustainable and Inclusive Urban Governance

Antonella CONTIN (Chair), Politecnico di Milano

Antonella CONTIN (Discussant), Politecnico di Milano

Metropolitan Governance and Sustainability Strategies in Southern Europe

Jordi CASTELLANA, Barcelona City Council

Inter-municipal Cooperation and Planning at the National Level

Burcuhan ŞENER, Union of Municipalities of Turkey [v]

Crisis Response, Governance Flexibility, and Antifragile Frameworks
Wafa AL DAILY, ISOCARP / Urban Resilience & Diplomacy Expert [v]

Metropolitan Diplomacy and Antifragility as a Sustainable Approach for Metropolitan Negotiation
Valeria FEDELI, Politecnico di Milano

TUE-B6 *In-Person* Panel, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, Room: Theatre Room 03 (5TH Floor)

Climate Justice and Inclusive Governance: Local Actions, Global Implications

Courtney SMITH (Chair), Seton Hall University
Fonteh AKUN (Discussant), Institute for Strategic Studies

Harnessing the Potential of Civil Society in Shaping Global Climate Governance: Voices from the Global South
Rose GOVINDARAJ, Pondicherry University

Assessing Sustainability and Distribution, Measuring Inequity, and Identifying Elements of Social Justice
Victor OGOT, Thriving Together Foundation / St Paul's University

Impact and Implication of Electric Vehicle Adoption in Kenya Against Climate Change
Willy Stephen TOUNSI FOKUI, Teleconnect GmbH
Danube Kirt NGONGANG WANDJI, Stockholm Environment Institute

TUE-B7 *In-Person* Roundtable, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, VIP Room (6th Floor)
The Promises and Pitfalls of Global Public-Private Partnerships for Sustainable Development

Karin BÄCKSTRAND (Chair), Stockholm University
Fariborz ZELLI, Lund University [v]
Maria IVANOVA, Northeastern University
Oscar WIDERBERG, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam [v]

TUE-B8 *In-Person* Roundtable, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, Theatre Room 04 (5TH Floor)
Peacebuilding, Peacekeeping, and Clean Energy: A Partnership in Fragile States?

Victoria HOLT (Chair), Dartmouth College
Abdirahman AYNTE, Laasfort Consulting Group
David MOZERSKY, Energy Peace Partners
Lise HOWARD, Georgetown University

South Sudan Peacebuilding
Yuichi NAKAMURA, NGO Nakayoshigakuen
Rie NAKAMURA, NGO Nakayoshigakuen

TUE-B9 *Hybrid* Panel, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, Room 1001 (10TH Floor)

Equity and Innovation in Environmental Sustainability and Human Security

Tammy PALACIOS (Chair), New Lines Institute

Pamela ROBINSON (Discussant), Case Western Reserve University

Bridging the Gap: Environment, Sustainable Development, and Equity

Andrew David OMONA, UCU-Africa Policy Center

Reimagining Sustainability: The Role of Female Hygiene Products

Benedicta APUAMAH, Management Center Innsbruck

Environmental Migrants in Sub-Saharan Africa: Exacerbated Vulnerability and the Need for a Human Rights Based Approach

Taiye ORIJA, University of the Western Cape

Peace and global security: Addressing conflict and inequality through ecological solutions

Parita SHAH, University of Nairobi

TUE-B10 *In-Person*, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, Room: Press Room (5TH Floor)

Publishing Workshop Session 2

Alanna O'MALLEY, Leiden University

Aigul KULNAZAROVA, Tama University

Frank MATTHEIS, United Nations University | Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies

Inken von BORZYSKOWSKI, University of Oxford

TUE-B11 *In-Person* Roundtable, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, Room: 1002 (10TH Floor)

A Comprehensive Approach to Assessing the Effect of Climate Change

Tyson Otieno APINDI (Chair), RefugePoint International

Ndirangu NGUNJIRI, University of Nairobi

Elizabeth KINGOO, Jomo Kenyatta University

Tadashi HIRAI, Ramon Llull University

Lydia KINGERU, UNESCO Youth Forum, Kenya

TUE-B12 *In-Person* Roundtable, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, Room: 902 (9TH Floor)

Intergenerational Dialogue for a Sustainable Future: Shaping Inclusive and Sustainable Societies via Digital Technology and Innovation

Mary Yvonne ODODAH (Chair), Executive Director, Nuru Trust Network.

Lionel MBANDA, Global Youth Leadership Development Council (GYLDC)

Jiadan YU, Associate Program Officer, UNITAR Multilateral Division.

Yifan ZHANG, Director, Youth Mobilization and Partnership, Global SDGs and Leadership Development Center.

Clotilde EKOKA DIKANDA, ADIE (Association pour le Droit à l'Initiative Économique)
Jiangtao CHEN, Xingfei Zhiyuan International Cultural Education Center.

TUE-B13 *Hybrid* Panel, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, Room: 901 (9TH Floor)

The Inclusive Approach Needed to Forge a Resilient and Socially and Environmentally Just Future

Charlotte KU (Chair), Texas A&M University, School of Law
Veronicah MWANGI (Discussant), University of Nairobi

Maria Estrella SÁNCHEZ CORCHERO, University of the Basque Country
Natalia Maria SIMON MEDINA, University of Castilla-La Mancha [v]
David RODRIGUEZ GUILLEN, European Parliament [v]
Juan Antonio CLEMENTE SOLER, University of Murcia [v]
María Ángeles ABELLÁN LÓPEZ, University of Valencia [v]
Juan Carlos SOLANO LUCAS, University of Murcia [v]

TUE-B14, *Hybrid* Panel, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, Room: MLT 401 (4TH Floor)

Eco-Social Contracts for Sustainable and Just Futures: Mobilising Collective Power to deal with the 21st Century Polycrisis

Introduction, Book Launch and Volume Overview
Patrick HUNTJENS (Chair), Inholland University & Radboud University

Advancing Earth System Governance
Maja GROFF, Climate Governance Commission

The Climate COP: Eco- and Peace-Sensitive Social Contracts
Erin MCCANDLESS, University of Johannesburg, Acting Director, Qatar-South Africa Centre for Peace and Intercultural Understanding

Panel Discussion and Q&A
Patrick HUNTJENS, Inholland University & Radboud University
Maja GROFF, Climate Governance Commission
Georgios KOSTAKOS, Foundation for Global Governance and Sustainability (FOGGS) [v]
Erin MCCANDLESS, University of Johannesburg, Acting Director, Qatar-South Africa Centre for Peace and Intercultural Understanding

TUE-B15, *Hybrid* Panel, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM, Room: 809 (8TH Floor)

The Contribution of Transnational Actors in the Discourse on the Environment

Sandra TOMBE (Chair), U.S. Institute for Peace
Parita SHAH (Discussant), University of Nairobi

The Catholic Church's Environmental Advocacy and its Role in Advancing Sustainable Human Development

Efetobor Stephanie EFFEVOITU, University of Ibadan, Nigeria

Addressing the Intersection of Plastics Pollution and Public Health: The Role of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC) in Shaping Global Solutions

Y. Y. HWANG, Yale School of Public Health

Recalibrating Maritime Security Governance in the United Nations

Christian BUEGER, University of Copenhagen

India's Health-Environment Paradox: Challenges and Opportunities

Shantesh KUMAR SINGH, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India [v]

THE CASE FOR AN ARID CITIES NETWORK? | Earthna Center for a Sustainable Future

12:00 – 1:00 PM

ROOM: Theatre 05: 5TH Floor

Dr. Michal Mlynar, Deputy Executive-Director, UN-Habitat

Ms. Maja Groff, Convenor, Climate Governance Commission

UN Mission in South Sudan Official (invited)

Mr. Sebastien Turbot, Earthna Center for a Sustainable Future

Moderator: **Ms. Maria Kisumbi**, Humanity United

Grace Gao, Executive Director, Global SDGs and Leadership Development Center | Launch of the Young Scientist SDGs Award

Amb. Sani Bala, Executive Director, Savannah Centre for Diplomacy, Democracy, and Development | Overview of the ANUMDI (African Research Network on Regional & Global Governance Innovation) 2nd Annual Meeting in Nairobi

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1:00 – 2:00 PM

TUE-C Sessions: 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, TUESDAY, JUNE 24

TUE-C1 Hybrid Roundtable, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room: Theatre 03 (5TH Floor)

Pact for the Future - The Critical Need to Measure Progress

Kuniko ASHIZAWA (Chair), American University

Peter HOFFMAN (Discussant), New School for Social Research [v]
Dan ODABA, Institute for Economics and Peace
Cristina PETCU, UN Mission in South Sudan
Mark JOHNSON, New School for Social Research
David PASSARELLI, Director, UN University Centre for Policy Research
Rebecca SNYDER, Stimson Center
Michael COLLINS, Institute for Economics and Peace
Ishaan SHAH, Coalition for the UN We Need [v]
Amb. Mohamed CHIH, Global Institute for Strategic Research

TUE-C2 *Hybrid* Roundtable, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room: Theatre 04 (5TH Floor)

Water Crises and Water Sustainability

Water Sustainability Through Multi-Dimensional Approaches: Case Studies and the Water Sustainability Index Concept

Yasushi KATSUMA (Chair), UNU Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability
Kensuke FUKUSHI, UNU Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability
Martiwi Diah SETIAWATI, UNU Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability [v]
Chethika WADUMESTRIGE DONA, UNU Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability [v]

Iran's Water Crisis: Environmental and Social Impacts and Sustainable Solutions through International Cooperation

Shervin SAFFAR SAHARKHIZ, Gen Z Organisation [v]
Ahang HABIB HAWAMI, Sbey Research

**TUE-C3 *In-Person* Roundtable, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room: Theatre 05 (5TH Floor) Advocacy
for a Universal Citizen Minimum Income (UCMI) for all around the world for a new, just, united and
resilient to climate change society**

Farikou IBRAHIMA (Chair), Honorary Dean, Faculty of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, University of Garoua, Cameroon
Lady BAWA, University of Ngaoundere, Cameroon
Abdulaye OUMAROU DALIL, Central Bureau of Censuses and Population Studies (CBCPS), Cameroon
Fred OTSYENO, Honorary lecturer, Department of Orthopaedics, University of Nairobi
Hamidou BOUBA ADJI, Ministry of Finance, Cameroon

**TUE-C4 *Hybrid* Roundtable, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room: Room 808 (8TH Floor)
A New Movement to Reform the UN Charter**

Tim MURITHI (Chair), Institute for Justice and Reconciliation, South Africa
Justin HANER, Brown University, Member of the Secretariat of the UN Charter Reform Coalition [v]
Patrícia Nogueira RINALDI VICTAL, College of Campinas / Faculdades de Campinas [v]
Joshua LINCOLN, Centre for International Law and Governance at Fletcher [v]

TUE-C5 *In-Person* Panel, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room: 809 (8TH Floor)

Inequality, Climate Change and Conflict: Emerging Challenges for Environmental Justice in Africa

Lilian Namuma KONG'ANI (Chair), University of Nairobi

Louis Kusi FRIMPONG (Discussant), University of Environment and Sustainability

The Climate Change Conundrum: Inequality and Peacelessness in Uganda

Alice WABULE, Cavendish University Uganda

Critical Minerals, Conflict, and Climate Change Nexus in Zimbabwe

Fadzai CHIPATO, Great Zimbabwe University

Gendered Impacts of Carbon Sequestration in Mozambique

Clemente NTAUZI, University of the Western Cape

Farmer-Herder Conflicts and Livelihood Vulnerability in Ghana

Suhiyini Issah ALHASSAN, University for Development Studies

TUE-C6 *Hybrid* Roundtable, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room: 702 (7TH Floor)

Development and Climate Justice in the Global South: Perspectives from Local Journalism

Shabnam DELFAN AZARI (Chair), Global South Perspectives Network

Carmen RICO, Université du Québec à Montréal [v]

Cilene VICTOR, Methodist University of São Paulo [v]

Malvina Eugenia RODRIGUEZ, National University of Villa Maria [v]

Benedine AZANU, Ghana Institute of Journalism

TUE-C7 *Hybrid* Roundtable, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room: MLT 401 (4TH floor)

Global Policy Dialogue Roundtable Two: Global Governance of Biodiversity and Nature

David OBURA, Founding Director, CORDIO East Africa and IPBES

Julia SEIXAS, Nova University [v]

Florence SYEVUO, SDG Kenya Forum

Sandra TOMBE, U.S. Institute for Peace

Viviana PORTO CEL, Plataforma CIPÓ (Spokesperson)

Sebastien TURBOT, Earthna Institute (Moderator)

Alanna O'MALLEY, Leiden University (Moderator)

Anja OLIN-PAPE, Global Challenges Foundation (Moderator)

TUE-C8 *In-Person* Roundtable, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room 1001 (10TH Floor)

Gender-inclusive Ecological Solutions for Sustainable Peace and Development in Africa

Lydia NDINDA NTHUI (Chair), African Council of Religious Leaders- Religions for Peace

Francis KAGEMA KURIA, African Council of Religious Leaders- Religions for Peace
Hassan OMARI KINYUA, University of Nairobi
Merylene CHITHARAI, Archi-Vedic Designs [v]
Nicta LUBAALE, African Council of Religious Leaders- Religions for Peace

TUE-C9 *In-Person* Panel, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room 1002 (10TH Floor)
Conflict Resolution Through Climate Adaptation

John SOKFA (Chair), Centre for Mediation in Africa, University of Pretoria
Dahlia SIMANGAN (Discussant), Hiroshima University

Coordination Saves Lives: The Role of UNEP/OCHA Joint Efforts
Sho AKAHOSHI, Kobe University

Bridging Peace and Ecology: Fintech for Refugees in Kenya
Yue WANG, Beijing Foreign Studies University

Peace and Global Security: Addressing Conflict via Ecological Solutions
Venkat Ramana Rao ADONI, Sri Datta Infotech Consultants

Climate Change Threat to Peace in Northern Kenya
Ndirangu NGUNJIRI, University of Nairobi
Anthony KAMAU, University of Nairobi

TUE-C10 *Hybrid* Panel, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room 106 (Hyslop Building)
Heritage, Knowledge and Urban Innovation

Antonella CONTIN (Chair), Politecnico di Milano
Antonella CONTIN (Discussant), Politecnico di Milano

Cultural Heritage and Regenerative Design in Latin American Cities
Ramon REYES RODRIGUEZ, University of Guadalajara / Mexico

Indigenous Knowledge, Cultural Innovation, and Participatory Urbanism in African Countries
Abdulrahman NDEGWA, Swahilipot Hub / Kenya

Spatial Justice, Heritage-led Transitions, and Territorial Governance
Edmundo GALLO, University of São Paulo / Brazil [v]

TUE-C11 *In-Person* Panel, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room: 901 (9TH Floor)
The Importance of State and Non-State Actors in Environmental Governance

Courtney SMITH (Chair), Seton Hall University
Sanjay SHARMA (Discussant), Pondicherry University

Planning Inclusive Cities: Municipal waste, circular economy and gender equity nexus

Susan BINGI, GECA Research Institute

Adama-Ajonye ONYANTA, Stockholm University

Kateka ADOLPHINE, Independent Consultant

Strengthening Indigenous and Civil Society Involvement in Uganda's Environmental Governance

Walter Onen OCEN, Eastern College Australia

Johnson GAKUMBA, Tochi Community Transformation Initiative

Francis Onen OPIYO, Challenge Uganda

The Impact of Strategic Corporate Social Responsibility on Profitability: Examining the Link Between the Private Sector and the Voluntary Sector

Uchenna ILOKA, Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen, Scotland

Joy DEBSKI, Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen, Scotland

TUE-C12 Hybrid Panel, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room: 1101 (11TH Floor)

Innovative Technologies and Global Risk Governance: Addressing Humanitarian and Existential Challenges

Hassan ALY (Chair), University of the Nile

Naila SALIHU (Discussant), Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Centre

Blockchain-based solution for addressing refugee management in the Global South: transparent and accessible resource sharing in humanitarian organizations

Abraha Desale TEFAMARIAM, Waseda University, Japan

The nexus between science-technology, unknown risks and the collapse of Human civilisation:

Exploring the AI-related scenarios is not in the program

Augustine Ugar AKAH, University of Calabar, Nigeria / Kiel University, Germany

Bridging the Gender Gap in STEM: Advancing Inclusive Solutions for Environmental Multilateralism and Sustainable Development.

Adebayo ABATI, Olabisi Onabanjo University [v]

TUE-C13 In-Person Panel, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room: Graduate Board room (Graduate Library)

Toward Climate Accountability and Justice

Inken von BORZYSKOWSKI (Chair), University of Oxford

Lionel MBANDA (Discussant), Global Youth Leadership Development Council (GYLDC)

Transformative Potential or Unequal Continuities? Examining Renewable Energy Development in Kenya and Senegal

Carmella Uwineza MUNYUZANGABO, Northeastern University [v]

Driving Green Growth: An Empirical Analysis of SME Growth in Pakistan's Green Agriculture

Altaf HUSSAIN, Sukkur IBA University

Uzair ABDULLAH, Sukkur IBA University

The Disconnect Between Global Climate Policies and the Realities of Rural Farmers in Nigeria: REDD+ as a Case Study

Igbagbodayo OGUNKEYE, The Lush Culture

Adebola ADEWOYE, Osun State University, Osogbo

Tackling Triple Planetary Crisis by Integrated Socio-Scientific Approaches

M. Ashaq MALIK, Higher Education Department, Jammu & Kashmir

Policy Failure or Missed Opportunity? Reassessing the RUGA Policy as a Tool for Conflict Resolution in Nigeria

Emmanuel OJEKUNLE, The Lush Culture

Taiye ORIJA, Institute for Social Development, University of the Western Cape, South Africa

TUE-C14 Hybrid Panel, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room: Press Room (5TH Floor)

Culture, Creativity, and Collective Responsibility: Pathways to Sustainable and Just Societies

Nudhara YUSUF (Chair), Global Governance Innovation Network and Stimson Center

Nudhara YUSUF (Discussant), Global Governance Innovation Network and Stimson Center

“The baobab tree we share”: Generous Listening, Development, and Dialogue for an Environmental Public Education

James FISHER, Tufts University [v]

Cultural Policy for the Public Good Toward Peacebuilding

Hiroko TSUBOI-FRIEDMAN, Self-Employed

Art as a Catalyst for Change: Exploring the Role of Recycled Materials in Advancing Sustainability and Social Justice

Agbeniga MAYOWA JOHNSON, National Research University - Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia

Security Instincts: Urban Security Mechanisms and Italian Historic Cities

Nico SAUNDERS-McGOWAN, University of Waterloo, Balsillie School of International Affairs

TUE-C15, In-Person Panel, 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room: MLT 402 (4TH Floor)

Justice for People and Planet: Legal Pathways to Environmental Accountability

Charlotte KU (Chair), Texas A&M University, School of Law

Charlotte KU (Discussant), Texas A&M University, School of Law

Advancing Environmental and Social Justice in Conflict Zones: International Humanitarian Law and the Niger Delta Case

Adewoye ADEBOLA, Osun State University
Lawal OLUWASEUN, Lead City University

Humanity, Justice and the Environment: A Call for Establishment of an International Court of Peoples and Environment

Xu XUEYING, Zhejiang University

Shokrani MAZIYAR, Zhejiang University

Jesutofunmi BINUYO, Federal University of Technology, Akure, Nigeria

Towards A Global Plastic Treaty: Tackling Water Pollution in Nigeria Through Innovative Plastic Recycling
Jesutofunmi BINUYO, Federal University of Technology, Akure, Nigeria

TUE-C16 In-Person Roundtable 2:15 PM - 3:30 PM, Room: 902 (9TH Floor)
African Perspectives on Regional and Global Governance Innovation

Amb Sani BALA (Chair), Savannah Centre, Nigeria

Ousman ZAKARIA, Ramadan, Centre for Peace and Security, Chad

Naila SALIHU, Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre, Ghana

Victoria Hauwa IBRAHIM, Nasarawa State University, Nigeria

Amb Mohammed EL NOKALY, Former Ambassador, Egypt

COFFEE/TEA BREAK

ROOM: 5TH Floor

3:30 – 3:45 PM

ACUNS LECTURE IN HONOUR OF KOFI ANNAN |
INTERGENERATIONAL DIALOGUE

4:00 – 5:00 PM

ROOM: Taifa Hall

Mr. Donald Kaniaru, Managing Partner, Kaniaru & Kaniaru Advocates International Council of Environmental Law (ICEL) Representative to UNEP

Mr. Alphonse Munyao Muia, Headquarter and Host Country Focal Point, CYMG

Moderator: **Professor Maria Ivanova**, Co-Chair, ACUNS Annual Meeting

THEATRE PERFORMANCE

ROOM: Taifa Hall

5:00 – 6:00 PM

Who knows it feels it: a waste pickers' perspective for a just transition

Professor Cressida Bowyer, University of Portsmouth

Professor Erika Hughes, University of the Arts London

Members of the **Kenyan National Waste Pickers Welfare Association** and the **Social Justice Travelling Theatre**

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WEDNESDAY IN-PERSON AND HYBRID SESSIONS

WED-A SESSIONS: 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

WED-A1 *Hybrid* Roundtable, 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM, Room CR 3

Global Policy Dialogue Roundtable 3: Global Governance of Pollution and Waste

Franz BAUMANN, President, ACUNS

John BELLISH, Executive-Director, One Earth Future Foundation

Joris LARIK, Leiden University [v]

Alice ODINGO, University of Nairobi and Vice President, ACUNS

Shuva RAHA, Council on Energy, Environment & Water

Maria STOICHEVA, Sofia University

Luanda MPUNGUSE, South African Institute for International Affairs (Spokesperson)

Nudhara YUSUF, Global Governance Innovation Network and Stimson Center (Moderator)

Diego SALAMA, Managing Editor, Global Governance (Moderator)

Embla BERGSTRÖM, Global Challenges Foundation (Moderator)

WED-A2 *In-Person* Panel, 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM, Room CR4

Transforming Global Environmental Governance

Aigul KULNAZAROVA (Chair), Tama University

Dengiyea ANGALAPU (Discussant), Centre for Democracy and Development

Global Environmental Governance: Addressing Social Justice and Inequality

Muhammad Nouman SHAMS, Qazi Law

Bibi Saira NOUMAN, Minhaj University Lahore [v]

Impacts Of Laudato Si': Role, Achievements And Challenges Affecting Involvement Of The Catholic Church In The Environmental Restoration

Glarah JEPKORIR KIMUTAI, University of Nairobi

Parita SHAH, University of Nairobi

A Harmonious Trio: Toward an Inclusive Dialogue Framework of Global Governance

Hanzhi YU, Zhejiang University

Is Fair Governance of Geoengineering Possible?

Peter STOETT, Ontario Tech University

WED-A3 *In-Person* Panel, 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM, Room CR6

The Key Actors and Crucial Strategies that Improve Environmental Protection and Tackle the Triple Planetary Crisis

Orleans MFUNE (Chair), University of Zambia

Victoria Hauwa IBRAHIM (Discussant), Nassarawa State University, Keffi

Bridging the Gap: Advancing Social Justice and Equity in Environmental Governance

Hamza ABASS, HACEP-Ghana

Nafisah SUMANI, AID4Girls

Empowering Generation Z: Leadership for Environmental Protection, Social Justice, and Sustainable Development

Ahang HABIB HAWAMI, Sbey Research

Digital Media Innovations in West Africa: A Blueprint for Tackling the Triple Planetary Crisis

Olutomiwa BINUYO, University of the Western Cape

Omotolani, OLUWOLE, Olabisi Onabanjo University

Youth Power: Digital Rights in Climate Crisis

Hamza ABASS, HACEP-Ghana

Nafisah SUMANI, AID4Girls

Osman SULEMANA, AID4Girls

WED-A4 *In-Person* Roundtable, 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM, Room CR7

The Effective Role of the United Nations in the Turbulent Era: Repurposing United Nations Tools

Sandra TOMBE (Chair), U.S. Institute of Peace

Timothy SISK, University of Denver

Lesley CONNOLLY, Nonviolent Peaceforce

Richard PONZIO, Stimson Center
Immaculate LIAGA, Institute for Security Studies
Yasushi KATSUMA, Waseda University

WED-A5 In-Person Panel, 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM, Room CR8
Policy Making on Environmentalism: Actors, Issues, and Outcomes

Edna RAMIREZ-ROBLES (Chair), University of Guadalajara Law School
Courtney SMITH (Discussant), Seton Hall University

Governing Multilateral Agreement: SDGs Framework
Tonui CHARLES, Wageningen University and Research
Josephine VAN ZEBEN, Florence School of Transnational Governance, European University Institute
Sylvia KARLSSON-VINKHUYZEN, Wageningen University and Research, Netherlands

Decarbonising Society: An Inclusive Approach to Policy and Innovation Synergies
Amy FAHY, Maynooth University
Sadhbh CREAN, Trinity College Dublin
Fabiano PALLONETTO, Maynooth University

Biodiversity Resilience and Climate Change: Political, Socio-Economic, Cultural, and Technological Implications
Clotilde EKOKA DIKANDA, ADIE (Association pour le Droit à l'Initiative Économique)

National Clean Air Programme: A Game-Changer for India's Environmental Governance?
Shantesh KUMAR SINGH, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India [v]

WED-A6 In-Person Panel, 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM, Room CR9
Building Environmental Consensus

John SOKFA (Chair), Centre for Mediation in Africa, University of Pretoria
Tim MURITHI (Discussant), University of Cape Town

The Decolonization of Climate Change and Environmental Awareness in Africa
Ndirangu NGUNJIRI, University of Nairobi

In the “Spirit of Nairobi”? Consensus and Its Consequences in Multilateral Negotiations
Julian Dominik WITTKAMP, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)

Coping With Climate Change: Armed Forces and the Environment
Philippe GUILLOT, École de l’Air & de l’Espace (French Air & Space Force Academy)

Centering Indigenous Knowledge for Climate Justice: A Community-Led Loss and Damage Finance Protocol for Small Island Developing States

Derrick KINYUA, Technical University of Kenya

WED-A7 *In-Person* Panel, 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM, Room CR10

Digital Interventions for Social and Environmental Sustainability

Aykut OLCER (Chair), World Maritime University

Aykut OLCER (Discussant), World Maritime University

Influence of Socio-Cultural Factors in Driving Digital Sustainable Development: Learning from Selected Cases

Shiv TRIPATHI, Berlin Business School and Innovation [v]

Basanna PATIGUNDI, Cambridge Institute of Technology India

Anastasia KIRITSI, Secretary General of IETI & Maritime & Shipping director Berlin Business School and Innovation [v]

Governance for Digital Development

Pworan PANDY, Taiwan Foundation for Democracy

Governance Reforms for Culture-Centric Sustainable Development

Lobsang SANGAY, Harvard University

Civil Society and Global Governance: Challenges of Social Justice

Tana JOHNSON, University of Wisconsin

WED-A8 *Hybrid* Panel, 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM, Room CR11

Past as Prologue: How Past Models of Cooperation Can Inform Tomorrow's Institutions

Susan BINGI (Chair), GECA Research Institute

Ken OPALO (Discussant), Georgetown University

David PASSARELLI, UNU Centre for Policy Research

Maria IVANOVA, Northeastern University

Carmen HULL, Northeastern University

Gillian COOPER, Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty [v]

WED-A9 *In-Person* Panel, 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM, Room CR13

Global Majority Perspective on the Climate Crisis

Joseph ROCHE (Chair), Trinity College Dublin

Joseph ROCHE (Discussant), Trinity College Dublin

Environmental Degradation And Human Insecurity In Africa' s Great Lakes Regional Armed Conflicts: A Case Of Democratic Republic Of Congo (1994-2024)

Badru Hasan SEGUJJA, Civilizations Exchange and Cooperation Foundation (Maryland)

Regional Integration: Examining the Role of Kenya in the East African Community
Diana Chebet ROTICH, Hiroshima University

From Totalitarianism to Understanding: The Global South's Perspective on the Climate Crisis according to Arendt and Lévinas
Louis Marie NDOMO EDOA, Universidade Metodista de São Paulo

The Pact for the Future and prospects for regional organizations in a reformed UN system
Frank MATTHEIS, United Nations University

WED-A10 *In-Person* Panel, 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM, Room CR14
Insecurity and Vulnerability Created by the Triple Planetary Practice

Forough JONGHANI (Chair), Arcadis
Lise HOWARD (Discussant), Georgetown University

Integrating Climate Change into Brazil's Security Policy
Julia DE SOUZA LUCENA NISHIO, Hiroshima University

Inclusive sustainable farming practices for peacebuilding in refugee settlements. A case study in Kiryandongo refugee settlement in Uganda
Newton KUCCEL, African Youth Action Network
Walter Onen OCEN, Eastern College University
Alex VICTOR, African Youth Action Network

Towards a long-term peace approach: A phenomenological analysis of contemporary and emerging conflicts
Augustine Ugar AKAH, University of Calabar, Nigeria / Kiel University, Germany
Brian CHAGGU, Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Poland

Advancing Small-Scale Fisheries in South Africa: Pathways to Sustainability and Equity within the Blue Economy Framework
Samantha WILLIAMS, Stellenbosch University / Inclusive Society Institute (ISI)

COFFEE/TEA BREAK
9:45 – 10:00 AM

WED-B SESSIONS: 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

WED-B1 In-Person Panel, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM, Room CR3
Climate Risks, Human Security and Development in Africa and the Role of Multilateralism

Farai KAPFUDZARUWA, University of Pretoria (Chair)
Orleans MFUNE, University of Zambia (Discussant)

Ellen DYER, University of Oxford (Discussant) [v]

African climate risks and development: Case of Turkana and Kitui in Kenya

Herbert MISIANI, University of Nairobi

Ellen DYER, University of Oxford [v]

Heat stress and gender among the Turkana Community in Kenya

Margaret MWAILA, University of Nairobi

Climate risks, food security and sustainable development in Africa

Leah Cherotich MURKOMEN, University of Nairobi

Climate risks, governance and human security among pastoral and agro-pastoral communities in Africa

Leah Cherotich MURKOMEN, University of Nairobi

Prioritising multilateralism in climate governance for sustainable development of Africa

Alice ODINGO, University of Nairobi and Vice President, ACUNS

WED-B2 *In-Person* Panel, 10:00 am - 11:15 am, Room CR4

Innovating New Ideas and Practical Solutions to the Climate Change Crisis

Dahlia SIMANGAN (Chair), Hiroshima University

Jackline NYERERE, (Discussant), Kenyatta University

From Data to Dialogue: Integrating Scientific Narratives and Dramatic Expression to Advance Sustainability

Pamela ROBINSON, Case Western Reserve University

The role of higher education institutions in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

Promotion of the “sustainable campus”

Yasushi KATSUMA, Waseda University

Skills First Approach

Manjula SHROFF, Kalorex Group

From Marginalization to Empowerment: Pathways for Resilience in urban informal settlements

Felicitus OKOKO, GenerationUs Kenya

WED-B3 *In-Person* Roundtable, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM, Room CR6

An Arid Cities Network to Address the Particular Climate Change, Sustainability and Resilience Challenges of Hot and Arid Cities

Sebastien TURBOT (Chair), Earthna Institute

Sylvie MAALOUF, Qatar Foundation

David SIMON, Royal Holloway University

Maja GROFF, Climate Governance Commission

WED-B4 *In-Person* Panel, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM, Room CR7

Ecological Solutions to Environmental Problems: Data, Evidence and Results

Joseph ROCHE (Chair), Trinity College Dublin

Adnan SAQIB (Discussant), College of Public Policy, Hamad Bin Khalifa University

Catalysing agile science-policy-action interfaces to address twenty-first century challenges of social equity through sustainable development

Shuva RAHA, Council on Energy, Environment and Water

Nitin BASSI, Council on Energy, Environment and Water

Vishwas CHITALE, Council on Energy, Environment and Water

Green Security: Leveraging Ecological Solutions to Prevent Conflict and Foster Resilience in the Sahel

Ilhan DAHIR, United States Institute of Peace

The Impact of ESG Performance on Economic Growth

Peter NGUKA, Corvinus University of Budapest

Sun RUIHONG, Corvinus University of Budapest

Knowledge, Attitudes and Perception of the National Clean Cooking Policy amongst Poor Households in Ido, Southwestern Nigeria

Gboluwaga ADEOLA, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia

Okikiolamilekan BAMGBOYE, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia

Olutomiwa BINUYO, University of the Western Cape

WED-B5 *In-Person* Roundtable, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM, Room CR8

Applications, Opportunities and Challenges of utilizing innovative science-based technologies for addressing social equity in climate action strategies

Lionel MBANDA (Chair), Global Youth Leadership Development Council (GYLDC)

Fatoumata NAFO, Founder and Chair of the Foundation for Health and Environment

Jinjiang YAN, United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO).

Jiadan YU, Associate Program Officer, UNITAR Multilateral Division.

Yifan ZHANG, Director, Youth Mobilization and Partnership, Global SDGs and Leadership Development Center.

WED-B6 *In-Person* Roundtable, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM, Room CR9

The Power of Civil Society in Shaping the UN System

Carole AGENGO (Chair), Coalition for the UN We Need | Co-Chair, 2024 UN Civil Society Conference in Nairobi

Themba KALUA, Director, Pact of the Future Implementation, Executive Office of the UN Secretary General

Nudhara YUSUF, Global Governance Innovation Network and Stimson Center

Wanjiru KANYIHA, ImPact Coalition for International Financial Architecture Reform and Financing for Development

WED-B7 *In-Person* Panel, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM, Room CR10

Contributing to Discourse on Environmental Governance: The Role of Small States and Indigenous Groups

Edna RAMIREZ-ROBLES (Chair), University of Guadalajara Law School

Louiza ODINGO (Discussant), Lawyers Hub

Albert MUMMA (Discussant), University of Nairobi

Microcosmic Ecologies: Environmental Scenarios and Policies of the Smallest Sovereign States of Western Europe

Nancy WRIGHT, Pace University

The Role of Small States Leadership in Shaping Global Environmental and Social Solutions through the RES4CITY EU Project

Fabiano PALLONETTO, Maynooth University, Ireland

Amy FAHY, Maynooth University, Ireland

Sadhbh CREAN, Trinity College Dublin

Reforming the Governance Arrangement of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing for Nature Protection and Justice for Indigenous People

Adeniran AKANNI, Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada [v]

Small Island States Diplomacy, Exemplified by Fiji's Foreign Policy in 2006–2024

Philipp KHANIN, Foundation for International Projects Development, named after Alexander Griboyedov

WED-B8 *In-Person* Panel, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM, Room CR11

Reimagining Branding to Address the Triple Planetary Crisis

Aigul KULNAZAROVA (Chair), Tama University

Aigul KULNAZAROVA (Discussant), Tama University

Search engine algorithmic audits: A cross-national and longitudinal assessment of climate-change search queries

Vihang JUMLE, University of Bern

Mykola MAKHORTYKH, University of Bern

Maryna SYDOROVA, University of Bern

‘Bridgetown Declaration’: A pivotal global milestone of CARICOM’s Regional Health Diplomacy and Leadership

Vijay Kumar CHATTU, UNU-CRIS

How Can Branding Contribute to Solving the Triple Planetary Crisis? A Case Study on how UNEP Employs Branding to Achieve its Mandate

Stefan TSCHAUKO, Harvard Extension School

Sustainable Housing Projects for Sustainable Cities and Economic Development in Africa

Ndirangu NGUNJIRI, University of Nairobi

WED-B9 *In-Person* Panel, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM, Room CR13

Perspectives on Partnerships for Social Justice and Equity

Saadwi BALAJI (Chair), Georgetown University

Inken von BORZYSKOWSKI (Discussant), University of Oxford

The Social Gap in Forest Landscape Restoration (FLR): Examining Strategies for Social Justice

Justice Sebuga KOTANI, United Nations University - IAS

The Politics of Legitimation and Delegitimation of Multi-Stakeholder Partnerships in the 2030 Agenda

Karin BÄCKSTRAND, Stockholm University

Multilateral Environmental Governance Must Progress Beyond One-Size-Fits-All

Shuva RAHA, Council on Energy, Environment and Water

Rishabh SINGH, Council on Energy, Environment and Water

Rudra SEN, Council on Energy, Environment and Water

Evaluating Students' Understanding of Family Life Education in Kiribati

Rorine TIOTI, Hiroshima University [v]

WED-B10 *In-Person* Panel, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM, Room CR14

Climate Change in Africa and Asia: Lessons Learned

Tammy PALACIOS (Chair), New Lines Institute

Phillip OSANO (Discussant), ICRAF-CIFOR, Nairobi

The Neglected Victims: Integrating Climate Change Sensitivity into Transitional Justice Frameworks in Africa

Dengiyefa ANGALAPU, Centre for Democracy and Development (CDD West Africa)

Climate (In)Justice?: An Analysis of Mitigation Bias in Nigeria's Climate Policies

Saadatu Umaru BABA, Kaduna State University

Rakiya MAMMAN, National Open University of Nigeria

Advancing Eco-Diplomacy and Environmental Cooperation for Sustainable Peace and Regional Stability in Africa

Brian KITHINJI, Policy Action Initiative

Mitigating Urban Heat Islands in Pakistan: Building Climate Resilience for Marginalized Communities

Bibi Saira NOUMAN, Minhaj University Lahore [v]

**HOLMES LECTURE
LECTURE HALL CR2
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM**

Ms. Zainab Hawa Bangura, Director-General, UNON (Welcome Remarks)

Dr. David Passarelli, Director, United Nations University – Centre for Policy Research

Title of Address: *Ingenuity and Impact: Reflecting on 80 Years of Multilateral Cooperation Amid Global Reordering*

Moderator: **Professor Lise Howard**, Georgetown University

**GLOBAL POLICY DIALOGUE: READOUTS & FEEDBACK
LECTURE HALL CR2
12:30 – 1:30 PM**

Dr. Edna Ramirez Robles, Dean of Legal Studies, University of Guadalajara Law School

Dr. Viviana Porto, Researcher, Plataforma CIPÓ

Ms. Luanda Mpungose, T20 Secretariat Lead Coordinator, South African Institute for International Affairs

Mr. Ababu Namwamba, Permanent Representative of Kenya to the United Nations Office in Nairobi

Mr. Peter Maddens, Ambassador of Belgium to Kenya, Madagascar, Seychelles, Comoros, Eritrea, Somalia; Permanent Representative to UNEP and Habitat

Mr. Henk Jan Bakker, Ambassador of the Netherlands to Kenya, Somalia, Eritrea and Seychelles; Permanent Representative to UNEP and Habitat

Mr. Mirko Giulietti, Ambassador of Switzerland to Kenya, Eritrea, Rwanda, Somalia and Uganda; Permanent Representative to UNEP and Habitat

Ms. Seraphine Kando, Human Rights Specialist, African Union Commission

Co-Moderator: **Ms. Nudhara Yusuf**, Coalition for the UN We Need and Executive Coordinator, Global Governance Innovation Network

Co-Moderator: **Dr. Richard Ponzio**, Stimson Center and Co-Director, Global Governance Innovation Network

**LUNCH
1:30 – 2:30 PM**

**PIONEERING ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE:
THE ROLE OF THE UN AND THE PATH AHEAD
LECTURE HALL CR2**

2:30 – 4:00 PM

Mr. Stephen Jackson, UN Resident Coordinator in Kenya

Mr. Themba Kalua, Director, Pact of the Future Implementation, Executive
Office of the UN Secretary General (EOSG)

Ms. Edlam Abera Yemeru, Director of External Relations Strategy,
Knowledge, and Innovation Division, UN-Habitat

Ms. Patricia Mbote, Director, Law Division, United Nations Environment Programme

Professor Alice Odingo, Co-Chair 2025 ACUNS Annual Meeting

Professor Maria Ivanova, Co-Chair 2025 ACUNS Annual Meeting

Moderator: **Dr. Franz Baumann**, Researcher Georgetown University and
President ACUNS

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4:00 – 5:00 PM
