



### Local Climate Solutions & Eco-Village Development, 100% RE in NDCs, East Africa, South Asia, Europe

## INFORSE - East Africa Policy work – Connecting Local Actions to Regional and Global Climate and Sustainable Energy Discussions

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INFORSE East Africa and national coordinators TaTEDO in Tanzania, UCSD in Uganda and SusWatch Kenya in Kenya, cooperating to implement the East African Civil Society for Sustainable Energy and Climate Action (EASE CA) Project

- EASE CA works to strengthen networking and participation of East African CSOs exchange of experiences; participation in national processes / strategies – legislation, policy reviews (NDCs, NAPs, etc.); give a voice to CSOs to influence global framework for national strategies including climate financing (mechanisms, etc.), NDCs (reporting, etc.), GST among others:
- ✓ Development of 100% RE Scenario for Kenya; and Uganda (under preparation)
- ✓ Dialogue events (Virtual dialogues on way to COP26 -Glasgow, E-mobility in East Africa, E-cooking in East Africa) - engaging Government, business & researchers.
- ✓ Launch of Catalogue: Local Sustainable Solutions in East Africa
- ✓ Participation at regional and UNFCCC negotiations (COP25 and COP26), HLPF, etc



E-Mobility in East Africa: What are the Potentials & Pitfalls?

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200M WEBINAR 4<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2021

AT 11:00 - 12:30 HRS EAT

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E-Cooking in East Africa INFORSE EAST AFRICA - ZOOM WEBINAR

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ure Cooker as a Clean Cooking Option for East Africa: A 'Silver to Reduce Dependence on Solid Fuels and Associated Indoor Air Pollution or is it Just 'Chasing the Wind'? Yr. Richard Kimbowa. UCSD. Uganda. INFORSE-East Africa Che

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### **INFORSE East Africa and COP26**

- UCSD, SusWatch Kenya and TaTEDO participated in development of the national CSO COP26 statements; CAN Uganda's People's Manifesto for Climate Action 2021 – 25 for UCSD; other CSO positions with with the need to promote local climate and energy solutions, as one of the main emphasis
- Collectively INFORSE East Africa developed a CSO statement to COP26 urging for a 100% Renewable Future

### **Overall:**

- ✓ Drop any unsafe solutions, including Nuclear power, BECCS; implement PA commitments
- ✓ Prioritize decentralized solutions to boost development c.f. over centralised schemes
- Priority funding to climate adaptation and mitigation with local, sustainable solutions

### **Specifics for COP26:**

- Clear guidance for reporting in the transparency framework (avoidance of double counting; reporting
- ✓ Future NDCs must all be 5 years
- ✓ GST: must respect and implement in concert with CSOs and incl. local solutions
- Implementation Framework must strengthen capacity building + dev. & transfer of climate technology
- ✓ National Gender Action Plans address and eliminate the higher climate vulnerability of women.



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#### Local Action by INFORSE East Africa Member: Joint Energy and Environment Projects (JEEP)

- JEEP works in 3 districts in Uganda (Nakaseke, Nakasongola and Nebbi) as part of the EASE CA Project to promote local solutions (improved stoves, fireless basket cookers, backyard gardening, tree nurseries
- Some of these have been documented in the Catalogue of Local Sustainable Solutions to boost dissemination in Uganda and East Africa – A key tool to further
- Training involves capacity building sessions for communities (ToTs); incomegenerating activities – especially women -→ green business as individuals and groups and encourage Village Savings and Loan Associations; team work, motivation; social media to ease information sharing and advocacy for young volunteers incl. climate action, promoting local solutions in Uganda
- To date: . 2,300 stoves constructed; 13,700 people benefiting from them
- JEEP's publication: The Road to Energy Independence highlights the Most Significant Change Stories from the EASE CA project provides insights from the end users (women, youths, and other community members, political leaders, etc on the effectiveness, benefits and potential to replicate the local solutions being disseminated to wider geographical areas in Uganda and East Africa







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# Thanks! -- More Info:

**INFORSE East Africa's Statement to COP26**:

https://tatedo.or.tz/en/mecs-latest/inforse-east-africa-position-to-the-united-nations-framework-convention-on-climate-changeunfccc-conference-of-the-parties-cop26-in-glasgow-uk-in-november-2021-october-19-2021

Latest (Nov. 2021) copy of INFORSE's Sustainable Energy Newsletter (COP26 Edition):

https://inforse.org/doc/SEN85.pdf

INFORSE East Africa: https://www.inforse.org/africa/EASE.htm

Uganda Coalition for Sustainable Development (UCSD): <u>www.ugandacoalition.or.ug</u>

Joint Energy and Environment Projects (JEEP): <a href="https://jeepfolkecenter.org/">https://jeepfolkecenter.org/</a>

SusWatch Kenya: <a href="https://www.suswatchkenya.org/">https://tatedo.or.tz/en/</a>

Proceedings of this side event: <a href="http://www.inforse.org/cop26.php3">www.inforse.org/cop26.php3</a>





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Welcome & Intro: Judit Szoleczky, INFORSE

Local Solutions in East Africa / Catalogue:

Mary Swai, TaTEDO, INFORSE-East Africa, Tanzania

#### **INFORSE-East Africa Position to COP26:**

Richard Kimbowa, UCSD, JEEP INFORSE-EA, Uganda

#### 100 % Renewables Scenarios:

Kenya: Nobert Nyandire SusWatch Kenya **Europe:** Gunnar Boye Olesen, SE/INFORSE **UK:** Paul Allen, Centre for Alt. Technology

**Eco-Village Development in South Asia** 

India: Sanjiv Nathan, INSEDA /INFORSE-SouthAsia **Nepal:** Niraj Shrestha, CRT/N Sri Lanka: Dumindu Herath, IDEA Bangladesh: Sohel Ahmed, Grameen Shakti

**Ouestions & Answers** More: https://inforse.org/cop26.php3