

Africa's vulnerability to climate change impacts have been underscored by the severe droughts experienced recently in the Sahel in 2012 and the Horn of Africa in 2011. All these bring into focus the serious impacts of climate change in the continent and highlighting the urgent need for adaptation as a priority in providing sustainable solutions to reduce the vulnerability of a great majority of Africa's one billion citizens. Africa is the world's youngest continent, as the proportion of youth in the region total population is higher in any other continent. In regard to future trends, it is estimated 93% of urban growth will occur in developing nations, with 80% of urban growth occurring in Africa and Asia. Yet, few opportunities do exist for active youth participation in the decision making process due to limited skill, tools and resources among both young people and Governments that are required to engage in meaningful consultative processes and implement action plans.

Youth as Stakeholders: The effective implementation of youth policies in southern states requires that youth-related issues be given high priority in national development agendas. Youth-related issues are often marginalized due to challenges such as internal conflicts or poverty yet require more critical thinking and strategic planning.

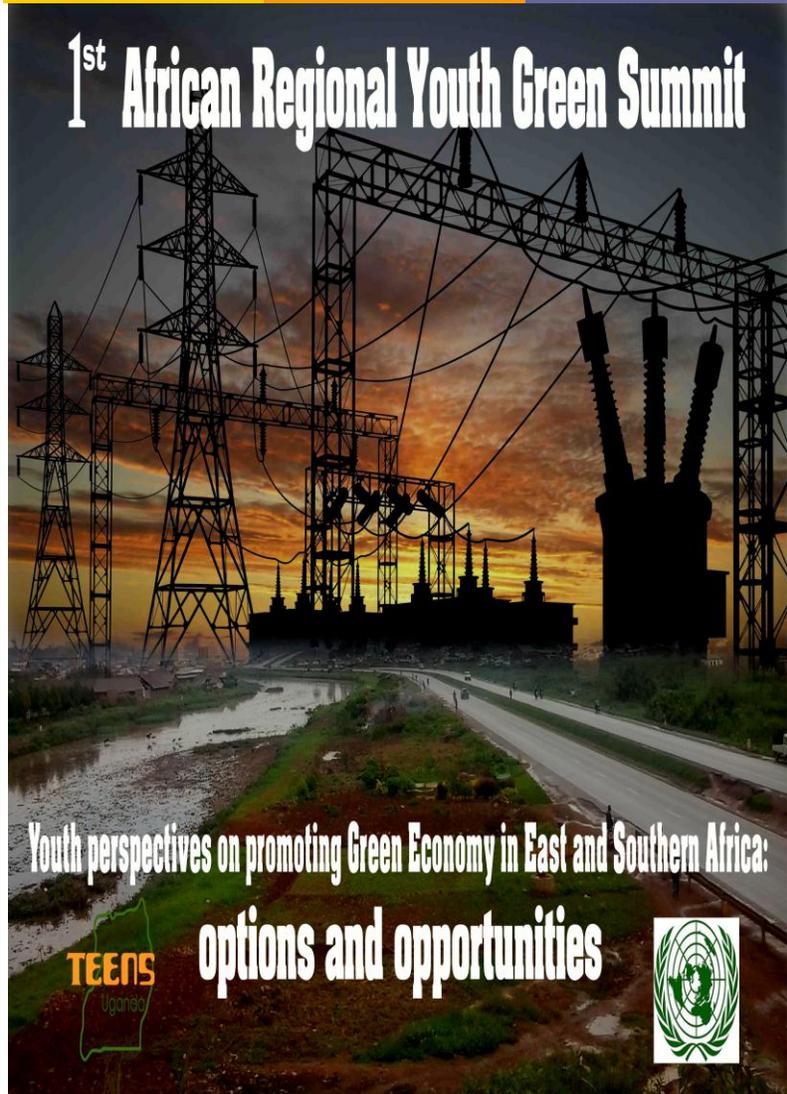
To date, many relevant issues have been responded to in an ad-hoc manner without adequate consideration for their long-term implications on youth populations. With pressures mounting due to climate change, energy poverty, food shortages and water issues, solution seekers emphasize that young people are the missing link if these challenges are to be addressed comprehensively. All natural resources have to be harnessed in a sustainable manner to ensure the well-being of our future generations.

Programme/Activity Schedule

Date	Meetings/ Exhibitions	Time	Location
Tue, 30 Sept	Press Conference	2-3pm	Makerere Unvers
Wed, 1 Oct	Opening ceremony, Climate Change	9 – 4pm	Forest Park Resort
Thu, 2 Oct	Transport, Energy, Oil	9 – 4pm	Forest Park Resort
Fri, 3 Oct	Ecology, Bio-Diversity, Human Rights, Tourism, Culture	9- 4pm	Forest Park Resort
Sat, 4 Aug	Excursion (physical visit, Eco Tour)	10:00am	Demonstration firm, Water Source

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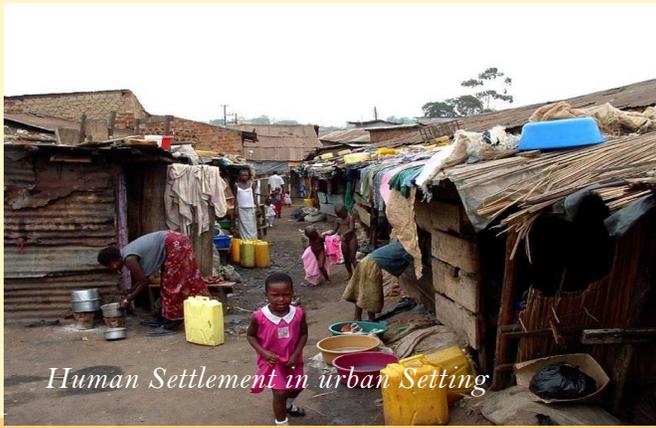
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Venue: Forest Park Resort – Buloba Kampala





Human Settlement in urban Setting



More people friendly cities

Summit Out puts:

1. Compilation of concrete ecosystems based actions for food security, cleaner energy, sustainable public transport and climate change adaptation under different scenarios from a regional perspective
2. Identification of key challenges and bottlenecks hindering the scaling-up of public transport, cleaner energy technologies, ecosystem based adaptation practices, and how can they be overcome
3. Suggestions and plans for upscaling and replicating ecosystems based adaptation actions within the bigger framework of national and regional development programmes in Africa
4. □ Action-oriented recommendations that identify concrete steps to promote increased youth participation and financial investment, regional and national levels, for incorporating green economies and ecosystem based adaptation approaches in food security portfolios
5. Summit report



Backyard gardening for food secures homes & communities

Youth participation across Africa occurs through various fora, such as through organizations, national youth councils, youth parliament set up the National and Regional level. Youth are also getting engaged in Regional youth based advocacy groups and are consulted in national processes such as those related to developing Poverty Reduction Strategy Plans (PRSPs). The effective implementation of youth policies in these areas across the region requires that youth-related issues be given high priority in national development agendas. Youth-related issues are often marginalized due to challenges such as internal conflicts or poverty yet require more critical thinking and strategic planning. To date, many relevant issues have been responded to in an ad-hoc manner without adequate consideration for their long-term implications on youth populations. With pressures mounting due to climate change, energy, food and water issues, solution seekers emphasize that young people are the missing link if these challenges are to be addressed comprehensively.

Sustainability is an integral part of the development process and cannot be considered in isolation involving a holistic approach and understanding of issues which are best handled with the participation of all concerned. It also involves changing of attitudes and lifestyles, to minimise and reduce the impacts on environment. Young scientists have power to change, which is possible only if we develop an enabling environment with better education, exposure and linkages. Local authorities have the potential to influence both the causes of climate change and the solutions to advance climate protection. The obligation consequently rests on cities to take responsibility, provide leadership and direction, and implement practical initiatives for the communities and citizens they represents by developing local strategies towards a sustainable future, addressing climate change prevention, mitigation and adaptation through urban planning and management.

Conference Format: The summit will take place over four days, and will consist of a combination of plenary and panel group discussions. This mixture of plenary and panel discussions will provide participants with an outstanding opportunity to interact and learn about the latest ideas and practices in harnessing ecosystems services for food security, transport, energy and climate change adaptation.



Attractive alternative to Car Travel

There are significant barriers within a city that discourages physical activity, such as the presence of high-volume, high-speed roads; safety concerns in street and sidewalk design; poor air quality; exclusive costs of gyms; and lack of public parks. To promote bicycling, walking, and physical activity, cities and towns around the world are closing streets to automobile traffic and opening them up to a variety of modes and uses. Using these temporary street closures, communities have safe and convenient opportunities for bicycling and walking.