

Draft Concept Note.

Strengthening the Role of Youth in decisions and NDCs Implementation to achieving the SDG.

Introduction

By 2030, exactly seven (7) years from now, the Sustainable Development Goals will elapse. With the youth demography continually increasing, issues like illegal migration due to lack of basic amenities, hunger, lack of employment, amongst other factors keep hampering youth-led involvement in sustainable development. With COP 28 ongoing, providing a space that allows and promote intergenerational fire side chat showcasing and promoting youth innovation to achieving sustainable development.

The Paris Agreement has over 193 countries signed to it with 54 of those countries making up the African continent. Each party to the agreement is expected to show country level commitment through a carefully drafted plan known as the Nationally Determined Contribution NDC. With over 10 years into the NDC Implementation, and less than 50 countries have been able to revise their NDC according to the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change report at COP27, this side event is aimed at exploring alumni from the Nairobi Summer School on Climate Justice NSSCJ and youth in general engagement on ways innovative youth contribute to their individual country level NDC, share country specific priorities challenges and identify policy bottlenecks impeding youth engagement. The speakers, young expert bringing different level of experience to promote knowledge sharing and peer-to-peer learning in the global south.

The Climate justice series is an initiative of the South-South Youth Platform on climate justice SYPLACTICE that provide the platform for alumni of the NSSCJ and youth from the global south to freely engage in the global climate change conversation, promoting a healthy youth movement building, while supporting and upscaling innovations that address the climate crisis. Currently with a strength of over 1500 alumni, SYPLACTICE is emerging as an African think tank and youth expert group on climate change and sustainable development.

Objective:

1. Amplify the role of Youth engagement in the implementation of NDC through inclusive policy
2. Promote a culture of knowledge sharing among young climate justice expert
3. Sustain the momentum for Climate Justice call from an African narrative.

Venue: SDG Pavilion

Time: TBD

Proposed Speakers: TBC

