

Integrating Climate Innovation Challenge

What is Your Business Idea to Generate Employment, Improve Energy and Water efficiency, and Preserve Ecosystems in an Uncertain Future Climate?

Kaskazi Beach Hotel, Diani, 6th and 7th December 2017

Coastal zones are highly vulnerable to climate-induced risks. Sea level rise, coastal erosion and storm surges pose serious threat not only to property and infrastructure, but to significant damages to coral reefs and other coastal and marine resources. The impacts of climate change is already being felt in Kenya's coastal region. Evidence of the impact of climate change on coastal and marine resources is already being observed with declining yields attributed to rising sea temperatures, coral bleaching and damages to coastal vegetation such as mangroves.

Currently, considerable effort at the national and sub-national levels is focused on addressing the impacts of climate change. Nevertheless, until recently, there has been little effort at the local-scale on how vulnerable coastal communities can take advantages of opportunities of climate change and develop bankable project in sectors such as agriculture, tourism, fisheries, forestry and manufacturing. Against this backdrop, ILEG, Kwale Natural Resource Network and Imaarisha Vijana Initiative are organizing a training on bankable climate resilient project for coastal communities. The training will consider the following question: What is your business idea to generate employment, improve energy and water efficiency, and preserve ecosystems in an uncertain future climate? This training will enhance better understanding how climate change affects coastal areas and local communities. It will also identify and interrogate bankable climate change opportunities for coastal communities. It will also prompt participants to develop green and inclusive business solutions to environmental challenges at the coast.

Activity and Outcomes

This training will bring together 25 participants from national and county governments, CSOs, private sector and communities. The training will prompt and guide participants to develop business solutions to challenges of climate change at the coast. In particular, the training will seek to enhance better understanding how climate change affects coastal areas and local communities. It will also identify and interrogate bankable climate change opportunities for coastal communities. The event will also serve to showcase experiences from bankable climate resilient projects for communities. Specifically, the training workshop seeks:

- i. To enhance better understanding how climate change affects coastal areas and local communities;
- ii. To identify and interrogate bankable climate change projects on coastal resilience.
- iii. To showcase experiences from bankable climate action projects on coastal zone management;
- iv. To prompt and guide participants to develop business solutions to challenges of climate change.

Expected Outputs

The training workshop will strengthen local capacity to find business solutions to challenges of climate change at the coast. It will also enhance planning capacities of national and county government officials who are in charge of local climate action planning.

Outcomes

The training will promote eco-entrepreneurship and strengthen resilience of vulnerable coastal communities. Participants will be motivated to develop a business idea that will achieve triple win for economic development, climate change mitigation and adaptation.

Facilitation

The training will be facilitated by ILEG, Kwale County Natural Resource Network and Imaarisha Vijana Initiative. The discussions will be facilitated by short presentations and break-out group sessions.

Scheduling

The training is a two-day event. It is currently planned at Kaskazi Beach Hotel in Diani on 6th and 7th December, 2017. To leverage on time and resources, the event will be held back-to-back with Steering Committee Meeting and Vertical Dialogue.

Reporting and dissemination

Imaarisha Vijana Initiative will develop a report of the training which will be disseminated after three weeks of the event alongside any presentations made. The report will highlight the recommendations on innovative bankable climate resilient project for coastal communities.

TRAINING PROGRAMME

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Date: 6th& 7th December 2017

Venue: Kaskazi Beach Hotel, Diani

Wednesday 6 th December, 2017	
Time	Activity
08.30-09.00	Arrival and Registration
09.00 – 09.10	Introductions
09.10 – 09.40	<p>Welcome remarks and Overview of the Training</p> <p><i>Nathaniel Mwangeka, Chairman, Kwale County Natural Resource Network</i></p> <p><i>James Katana, Executive Director, KUZA/IVA</i></p> <p><i>Benson Ochieng', Executive Director, ILEG</i></p>
09.40 -10.15	<p>Adaptation and Maladaptation: Understanding Impacts of Climate change on Coastal Resources and Coastal Communities</p> <p><i>Mohammed Ali Salim, KCNRR</i></p>
10.15-10.45	Health Break and Networking
10.45-11.45	<p>Group work - James Katana</p> <p>Interrogating problems /climate change issues (the cause – effect relationship) of climate change on Coastal communities - Thematic</p>
11.45-12.45	Group Presentations and plenary
13.00-14.00	Lunch Break and Networking
14.00-15.30	<p>Group work</p> <p>Finding solutions to climate challenges (converting problems to projects/ solutions) - thematic</p>

15.45-16.15	Group presentations and Plenary
16.15 – 16.30	Wrap Up and Evening Tea/Coffee
Wednesday 7th December, 2017	
Time	Activity
08.45 – 9.15	Welcome Back and Recap - James Katana
09.15 – 10.15	Group work Unpacking the bankable projects/
10.15-10.35	Health Break and Networking
10.35 – 11.35	Group presentation and plenary
11.35 – 12.35	The pitching battle (Successful Stories)
13.00-14.00	Lunch Break and Networking
14.00 – 15.00	Pitching battle <i>Francis Oremo</i>
15.00 – 15.15	Wrap-up & Announcement of Winning group of Pitching Battle <i>Francis/James</i>
15.15 – 16.00	Open End – Evening Tea, Networking and Departure