

## Human Mobility and Regular Migration Pathways – Consultative Forums

To enhance dialogue, establish synergies and partnerships among stakeholders addressing challenges and opportunities facilitating regular migration pathways, promoting sustainable development and green economy in the context of disasters, environmental degradation and climate change in the IGAD region

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### Organized by

the International Organization for Migration (IOM),  
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the International Labour Organization (ILO),

and

the United Nation Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), Regional Collaboration Center (RCC), Kampala

### in collaboration with partners

the Platform on Disaster Displacement (PDD) (hosted under United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS)),

the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD),  
the IGAD Climate Prediction and Application Centre (ICPAC), and  
IGAD Member states Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan and Uganda

1. Consultative forum sessions

SESSION III – Private sector and Green Economy in the IGAD region

**DATE CONFIRMED: 28 February 2022 at 12 am EAT – During Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development**

This session seeks to respond to the following questions through dialogue with forum participants:

1. *What are the environmental and climate related factors that influence human mobility in the IGAD region? What links exists with gender and vulnerabilities?*
2. *How does climate change affect the economy and individual (women and men) livelihoods in the region and what is the potential for skills development in the green jobs sector, as a climate change adaptation strategy, to prevent forced migration?*
3. *How can partnerships with private sector enhance climate change adaptation and green economy development in the IGAD region that considers gender and vulnerabilities? What needs do private sector actors have?*
4. *How do different stakeholders (such as academia, private sector, employers' organizations and trade unions) see migration as a contribution to the green economy?*

Partners and stakeholders are invited to discuss human mobility and private sector engagement in enhancing climate action.

Suggested agenda:

Start	End	Session	Speaker
12:00	12:05	Welcome	IGAD Secretariat
12:05	12:15	<b>Human mobility, gender and Climate Change</b> Introduction to human mobility and climate change in the IGAD region, including gender and vulnerabilities; and briefing on policy responses and programming, particularly on green economy	IOM East and Horn of Africa Regional Office
12:15	12:25	<b>UNFCCC Private sector engagement in Climate Action study</b> Results from UNFCCC study on Capacity Building for Enhanced Private Sector Engagement in Climate Action in Eastern and Southern Africa: Mapping Study.	Jyri Jantti Climate Change Specialist Regional Collaboration Centre (RCC) Kampala   UNFCCC
12:25	13:25	<b>Panel discussion: inclusive green economy development</b> Perspectives from academia, private sector, employers' organizations and trade unions on enhancing inclusive green economy and green economy/climate policymaking in the region, considering migration, gender and vulnerabilities	Laura Schmid, Skills and Employability Specialist, ILO  Joy Mulema, Rural Youth Migration, Social Protection and Value Chains coordinator, FAO

		Moderator: Jyri Jantti Climate Change Specialist Regional Collaboration Centre (RCC) Kampala   UNFCCC	Eddie Sembatya - Finding xy (innovation center) Managing Director / SEED <sup>1</sup> coordinator  Arnold Byarugaba - Country Coordinator & Advisor, Private Financing Advisory Network (PFAN) Uganda  With possibility for audience to pose questions
13:25	13:30	Concluding remarks and way forward	Alejandro Kilpatrick – Manager, Means of Implementation – UNFCCC

## Speaker BIO

### Lena Brenn, Disaster Displacement Advisor IGAD Secretariat

Lena Brenn is working as Disaster Displacement Advisor at the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD), based in Djibouti. She has been working on human mobility in the context of disaster and climate change for almost 10 years in various capacities: before joining IGAD in 2019, she worked for the Norwegian Refugee Council in Geneva and for the Swiss Government on disaster displacement and climate change. She is also the IGAD Focal Point for the Multi Partner Trust Fund (MPTF) funded Joint Program on Migration, Disasters and Climate Change.

### Noora Makela, MDCC Programme Coordinator, International Organization for Migration, East and Horn of Africa Regional office



Noora works with the IOM Migration, Environment and Climate Change unit in the East and Horn of Africa Regional Office in Nairobi and coordinates the [regional Joint Programme on Migration, Disasters and Climate](#) implemented in the Intergovernmental Authority of Development (IGAD) region. She is a geographer, a certified project manager and a certified M&E specialist. She has gained her almost 20 years of working experience in the UN Migration Agency, IOM in Kenya (KCO & RO Nairobi); Finnish Embassy in Nairobi; private sector; and different NGOs implementing development co-operation projects. She has two bachelor's degrees: in Business Administration and in Science, and a

master's degree in science (Geography). She is currently finalizing her master's degree in evaluation. She is enthusiastic about promoting human rights, sustainable development and evidence-based responses.

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Jyri Jantti, Climate Change Specialist, Regional Collaboration Centre (RCC) Kampala | UNFCCC



Jyri Jantti, a Climate Change Specialist for the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), is based at the Regional Collaboration Center (RCC) in Kampala. The RCC, a collaboration between UNFCCC and East African Development Bank (EADB), serves 19 countries in the Eastern and southern Africa Region.

Having previously worked for national and international development organizations he joined the RCC team in 2021 from UNDP Sao Tome and Principe where he was working closely with increasing climate action ambition -and transparency. Currently he works around the themes of climate change and migration, transparency, private sector climate action and carbon markets.

Eddie Sembatya – Managing Director - Finding XY



Eddie Sembatya is the Managing Director of Finding XY an innovation center providing investment advisory and project consulting services. He has 15 years' experience supporting Impact programs, Investors and green SMEs.

Eddie is a project partner on implementing the Uganda Green Enterprise Finance Accelerator (UGEFA) a program funded by the European Union and is the SEED Uganda coordinator. He works closely with policy makers, financial institutions, development partners and private sector to support SMEs.

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Arnold Byarugaba - Country Coordinator & Advisor, Private Financing Advisory Network (PFAN) Uganda



PFAN is a global network of expert consultants who provide free business coaching and investment facilitation to entrepreneurs developing climate adaptation, mitigation and clean energy projects to help entrepreneurs navigate the barriers around accessing investment.

Arnold Byarugaba has built and developed an exemplary professional career over the last 14 years with experience that spans across institutional and private fund management, investment banking and development finance working with various global organisations. Over this period, he has successfully supported several companies and entrepreneurs

in East Africa with advisory support around business development for investment readiness coupled with investor matchmaking/fund raising. Further to this, he is passionate about the development of the Entrepreneurial ecosystem to catalyse business growth in Uganda.

## Laura Schmid, Skills and Employability Specialist



Laura Schmid is Skills and Employability Specialist for North Africa and the Horn of Africa for the ILO based in Cairo, Egypt. She supports 11 different countries including the Maghreb with regards to skills development. Prior to this position, she has worked for the German Development Cooperation GIZ as Employment Advisor in Egypt and as Migration and Employment Advisor in Jordan focusing on the Syrian crisis response. Laura holds a BSc. in International Economics and Development from Bayreuth University Germany and a MSc in International Relations from the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London.

## Joy Mulema - FAO - Rural Youth Migration, Social Protection and Value Chains coordinator



Ms. Joy Mulema - Nkoitoi has over seven (7) years' experience working with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, particularly in the humanitarian development nexus vis-à-vis food security, rural youth employment and agriculture, which she has significantly contributed to in her career to date.

Supporting youth empowerment through the Youth Employment Programme at FAO Kenya, Joy is driven by the need to promote youth engagement in agriculture and tapping into agribusiness as a source of more and improved

employment opportunities for the youth in Kenya; a dynamic workforce that could contribute to the economy and who are the future of food and nutrition security in Africa.

[Agribusiness as a sustainable tool to mitigate rural-urban migration of youth in Kenya](#)



Alejandro Kilpatrick – Manager, Means of Implementation – UNFCCC



Alejandro Kilpatrick, a Mexican national, has a background as an environmental engineer with a master's degree on environmental management. He has a working experience of over 24 years supporting a wide range of sustainable



development issues, mostly through international organizations but also for the private sector as an auditor of Environmental Management Systems.

Since 2011, he is been part of the Means of Implementation Division (Finance, Technology and Capacity-Building) at the Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), which supports the intergovernmental process as regards international cooperation on the mobilization of financial resources, technology development and transfer, and building of individual, institutional and systemic capacity to enable Parties to take enhanced action on climate change. He currently is the manager of the Capacity-building sub-division.