



CCDA-V Parallel Session

What is at stake in Paris and beyond? The views of Africa Young Lawyers

17:30 - 19:00, 28 October 2015



The Young African Lawyers Programme (YAL) established under the ClimDev- Africa Programme have the overarching goal of strengthening African's Negotiating Position and ensuring African countries get the best possible deal under the UNFCCC process. The programme is providing opportunities for building the expertise of young African Lawyers on issues of climate change in order to support national responses to climate change that involves the formulation of policies, strategies and laws.

YAL members are closely following the 2015 climate negotiations and currently providing legal support to the African Group of Negotiators that has given them the unique opportunity in interacting and interpolating with the text of the negotiations and acquiring some lessons to share of the process.

The session will thus, allow for sharing of the viewpoints of the Young African Lawyers currently backstopping the lead coordinators of the African Group of Negotiators (AGN), with the drafting of the negotiation text in the buildup to Paris Climate Summit.

Setting the Scene:

Dr. Seth Osafo

An Overview of the YAL programme

Moderator: Ms. Selam Kidane

Discussants:

1. Ms. Keamogetse Molefhe - *Adaptation*
2. Mr. Edward Wabwoto - *Climate Finance*
3. Mr. Diobe Gueye - *Legal Processes*

About ClimDev-Africa

The ClimDev-Africa Programme is an initiative of the African Union Commission (AUC), the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) and the African Development Bank (AfDB). It is mandated at the highest level by African leaders (AU Summit of Heads of State and Government). The Programme was established to create a solid foundation for Africa's response to climate change and works closely with other African and non-African institutions and partners specialised in climate and development.

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