







Workshop "Legal instruments for the effective protection and sustainable management of soils"

Organized in cooperation between the German Environment Agency (UBA), the Konrad-Adenauer Stiftung – Climate Policy and Energy Security Program for Sub-Saharan Africa -, Markerere University and Kampala International University

Kampala, Uganda 26 to 27 September 2017

Location: Hotel Africana, Kampala

Tuesday, 26 September 2017, Morning Session

8.00 - 9.00	Registration
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Official Opening

Time	Content	Speaker
9.00 to 9.10	Welcome by Organizer	Prof. Emmanuel Kasimbazi (University Makerere Kampala) Prof. Oliver Ruppel (Konrad Adenauer Foundation) Dr. Mpezamihigo Mouhamad (Kampala International University) Dr. Harald Ginzky (German Environment Agency)
9.10 – 9.25	Keynote	Vincent Ssempijja , the Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Uganda
9.25 – 9.35	Keynote	Petra Kochendörfer Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany
9.35 – 9.45	Keynote	Prof. Oliver Ruppel Representative of KAS
9.45 -10.00	Group Photo	

10.00 - 10.15	Coffee Break

Setting the Scene

10.15 - 10.40	Application of SDG15, LDN and UNCCD to development of legal instruments for protection of soils	Dr. Byron-Cox, (UNCCD)
10.40 – 11.00	Major challenges for sustainable soil management in Africa: factual and legal issues	Prof. Victor Chude (African Soil Partnership)
11.00 – 11.15	Q and A and Discussion	Moderator

11.15 - 11.30	Coffee Break
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Topic 1: Soil Legislation in Africa: Strengths and weaknesses for achieving LDN

Time	Content	Speaker
11.30 - 11.50	Overview/LDN-related aspects of Namibian	Prof. Oliver Ruppel
	Soil Legislation	(University
		Stellenbosch)
11.50 – 12.10	Overview/LDN-related aspects of Ugandan Soil	Prof. Emmanuel
	Legislation	Kasimbazi
		(Makerere
		University)
12.10-12.30	Legal means for the implementation of LDN in	Dr. Ralph Bodle
	Germany	(Ecologic Institute
		Berlin)
12.30 – 12.40	Discussion	Moderator
12.40 - 13.30	World Café Tables: Participants move around 3	Table moderators
	small groups which discuss:	as well as
	(1) Which soil threats do the respective	rapporteurs
	national laws address? Are the	
	regulations adequate?	
	(2) Which are the appropriate legal instru-	
	ments for achieving the LDN target?	
	(3) How should international	
	institutions/programs assist?	

Tuesday, 26 September 2017, Afternoon Session

Topic 1: Soil Legislation in Africa: Strengths and weaknesses for achieving LDN (continued)

Time	Content	Speaker
14.30 - 14.50	Reports from the 3 tables to plenary	Rapporteurs
14.50 - 15.20	Discussion in Plenary – Wrap up	Moderator

Topic 2: Tenure rights as a prerequisite for implementing LDN

Time	Content	Speaker
15.20 - 15.40	Overview of main challenges with regard to	Prof. Rukuni Mandi
	land tenure in Africa: factual and legal aspects	(University of
		Zimbabwe)
15.40 – 16.00	Community land management in Mozambique	Prof. Eduardo
		Chiziane
		(University
		Eduardo
		Mondlane,
		Maputo)
16.00 - 16.20	Customary land tenure in Kenya	Nelly Kamunde
		(Kenyatta
		University)

16.20 - 16.40	Coffee Break	
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Time	Content	Speaker
16.40 - 17.40	World Café Table discussing 3 issues:	Table moderator as well
		as rapporteurs
	(1) Are the legal provisions adequate in	
	order to ensure unequivocal tenure rights?	
	(2) How to deal with issues of land grabbing?	
	(3) How do deal with the coexistence of legal systems (e.g. tribal and modern system)?	
17.40 - 18.00	Reports to plenary	Rapporteurs
18.00 - 18.30	Discussion in Plenary: Wrap up	Moderator

19.15 – 20.00	Presentation of International Yearbook of	Hon. Jackie Amongin
	Soil Law and Policy, Volume 1	(Member of Ugandan Parliament)

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Topic 3: The Future of International Soil Law

Time	Content	Speaker
9.00 - 9.10	Overview of the second day	Moderator
9.10 - 9.40	Introduction: International soil protection law:	Prof. Ian Hannam
	Current situation	(Australian Centre
		for Agriculture and
		Law)
9.40 - 9.50	Questions for Clarification	Moderator
9.50 - 10.10	International forest law in comparison to	Prof. Bharat Desai
	international soil law	(Jawaharlal Nehru
		University)
10.10 - 10.30	Sustainable management of soils as a common	Dr. Harald Ginzky
	concern of humankind: how to implement it?	(German
		Environment
		Agency)
10.30 - 10.50	Need of an international soil treaty	Ronald Vargas
		(FAO Rome)
10.50 - 11.10	LDN Target Setting	Roba Guyo
		(IUCN)
11.10 – 11.30	Discussion	Moderator

11.30 – 11.50	Coffee Break	
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11.50 - 12.50	World Café Tables discussing 3 issues:	Table moderator as
		well as rapporteurs
	(1) Is there a need for (additional)	
	international rules specifically relating to soil?	
	(2) Which obligations should such a treaty foresee ?	
	(3) Lessons learned from other fields of international regulation (e.g. forests, biodiversity, deep seabed mining)?	
12.50 - 13.10	Reports to plenary	Rapporteurs
13.10 - 13.30	Discussion in Plenary: Wrap up	Moderator

13.30 - 14.30	Lunch Break in the Hotel

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Topic 4: Need for an African Soil Convention

Time	Content	Speaker
14.30 - 15.00	Need for an African Soil Convention	Dr. Robert Kibugi
		(University of
		Nairobi)
15.00 - 15.20	An African Soil convention: the perspective of	Robert Ondhowe
	UNEP	(UNEP)
15.20 - 15.40	Discussion	Moderator

15.40 - 16.00	Coffee Break
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Time	Content	Speaker
16.0 - 17.00	World Café Tables discussing 3 issues:	Table moderator as well
		as rapporteurs
	(1) What are the specific pros and	
	cons for an African Soil	
	Convention?	
	(2) Would an integration into an	
	existing African treaty be an	
	appropriate approach?	
	(3) What should be the topics?	
	What instruments are required?	
17.00 – 17.20	Reports to plenary	Rapporteurs
17.20 – 18.00	Discussion in Plenary: Wrap up	Moderator

19.00 – 20.00	Farewell Drinks, Workshop Wrap up and Outlook
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Tursday, 28 September 2017

10.00 - 13.00	City tour – voluntary

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