

Provisional programme

Resilient 40: Reconnecting post COP26, and building momentum to COP27

Friday 21 January 2022

0900-1200 GMT / 1100-1400 CAT (WP2028V)

To be held virtually.

Two years on since the Resilient40 last met in person in Addis Ababa the group will reconvene, virtually to build on their successes as a network. It will be an opportunity to discuss the outcome of COP26, and take the next steps to build the network and its activities in the run up to COP27 in Egypt.

R40 assembled in March 2019 in Valley Lodge, South Africa, and again in January 2020 in Addis. Two years on, this dynamic network of leaders championing resilience to climate change in Africa will come together again virtually. An opportunity to regroup and strategise for the role R40 can play in 2022 in the run-up to COP27.

Convening members of the R40 with a few external experts for specific sessions.

Held with support from the UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office.

PLEASE NOTE ALL TIMES ARE IN GMT (with CAT in brackets)

**0900 GMT
(1100 CAT)**

Welcome, introduction and objectives for this R40 session

Michael Kakande

On behalf of the new R40 Steering Committee

**0905-0915 GMT
(1105-1115)**

1. Celebrating success ...

Quickfire conversation: in small groups R40 members will reconnect and discuss:

'My highlight from the past year as a climate activist'

(7 mins in groups followed by 5 mins in plenary to share a few highlights)

**0915-0945
(1115-1145)**

2. The R40: looking ahead

Introducing the new Steering Committee

R40 Steering Committee

To include reflections on 2021 and ideas for 2022

R40 successes of 2021: some of the activities carried out by R40 members:

'The earth is what we have in common' - school orchards
Priyanka Naik, Michael Kakende and Akufuna Muyunda

Energy project
***Clement Kandodo**
Member R40; Ecogen, Malawi

Combatting climate violence: video by
Yandeh Sallah-Muhammed
Member R40; Gambian Marine and Environmental Conservation Initiative (GMECI)

0945-1015
(1145-1215)

3. Reflections from COP26

Short reflections from the UK COP Presidency and R40 members.

Personal reflections
Happy Khambule
Member R40, Director, Mansa Advisory, South Africa

Reflections from the UK COP Presidency
Janet Rogan
UK COP26 Regional Ambassador

Reflections from a UK High Commission
Adesuwa Obasuyi
Member R40; Climate Change Policy Manager, British High Commission, Nigeria
Followed by discussion amongst Resilient40 network.

What does the outcome of COP26 mean for Africa and for R40, and in planning for COP27 and beyond? Including reflections on what is officially negotiated and the wider climate actions.

1015-1045
(1215-1245)

4. Telling the climate story

How can R40 members tell the climate story in Africa within and beyond our networks? Highlighting some work members have been doing and ideas for the future.

Diana Njeru
Member R40; BBC Media Action course, Kenya

to give a short introduction to a new online platform that aims to improve the capacity to tell stories, and a journalist who has completed the course

Building grassroots campaigns and calling for grassroots stories: exploring an idea

Hadiya Usman
Member R40; Advocacy Officer, Gombe SDG Project Support Unit, Nigeria

1045-1130
(1245-1330)

5. Building the R40 roadmap to COP27: initial discussions

Discussion in 3-4 smaller groups. New SC to facilitate the groups.

Questions to discuss might include:

- How to reconnect and expand the Resilient40 membership?
- What activities would the Resilient40 network like to host/organise/connect with?
- How to engage with preparations for COP27?

1130-1145
(1330-1330)

6. Takeaways, reflections and conclusions

Reflections from the smaller group discussions. Next steps for R40

Moderated by: R40 Steering Committee

1145-1200
(1345-1400)

Informal discussions

Opportunity to chat informally, including in smaller groups – catch up, share lunch etc.

This is a draft programme and may be subject to change.