

LAKE REGION
ECONOMIC BLOC (LREB)
**REGIONAL CLIMATE
CHANGE SUMMIT
AND AGRI EXPO**
KAKAMEGA EDITION 2025



 **14th-16th October 2025**  **Masinde Muliro University**

INVESTING IN CLIMATE SOLUTIONS: FINANCE, INNOVATION, AND ACTION

EVENT PROGRAM



VENUE SETUP (10TH-14TH OCT 2025)

| TIME | ACTIVITY | FACILITATOR |
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| 0900H - 1700H | Arrival and picking of badges by participants Booth set-up and final preparations Pre- Hackathon Activities | Planning Committee |

DAY 1: PRE-CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES (14TH OCT 2025)

EVENT 1: MARATHON AND TREE PLANTING (KAKAMEGA TROPICAL RAIN FOREST)

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| 0700H - 0730H | Assembly Point: 6.30am MMUST (For bus transport) Solyo - 5km race. Likovero – 10 km Kakamega Forest: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrival of Delegates, Partners and Marathon participants Arrival of Governors, Cabinet Secretaries, and Key Dignitaries Band (National Anthem) and Inspection of the Guard of honour | County Secretary Kakamega H.E FCPA |
| 0730H - 1000H | Kakamega Forest Conservation Marathon - Flagging Off by H.E Wilber Ottichilo, EGH, Governor Vihiga County (5km and 10km) | Athletics Kenya |
| 0900H - 1300H | Procession to the Kakamega forest Tree Planting site Welcome Remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Dennis Kerengo, Regional forest conservator Ms. Karen Ndiema, Warden Kakamega Forest National Reserve H.E FCPA Fernandes Barasa, OGW- Governor Kakamega County – Spearheading of Tree planting session by H.E Wilber Ottichilo, EGH, Governor Vihiga County | First Lady (Kakamega County) CEC Environment |

EVENT 2: LREB SUMMIT HACKATHON CHALLENGE (UNIVERSITIES AND OTHER LEARNING INSTITUTIONS)

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| 0830H - 0930H | LREB Climate Summit Hackathon - Official opening Documentary/Trailer Moderator: Dr. Tecla Psuma – MMUST <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remarks by MMUST-Prof. Peter Bukhala, DVC Planning, Research and Innovation Remarks by CEO KENIA Remarks by CEO KIPi Remarks by Director General ,NACOSTI Remarks by Dr. Leila Ndalilo, KEFRI | NRF ARIN MMUST |
| 0930H - 1300H | Guest Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Joanes Atela - CEO, African Research & Impact Network (ARIN) Prof. Dickson Andala, CEO by National Research Fund | |

Presentations by Hackathon Finalists to Judges



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| EVENT 2: LREB SUMMIT HACKATHON CHALLENGE (UNIVERSITIES AND OTHER LEARNING INSTITUTIONS) | | |
| 11:00H – 1300H | Technical working Group Session Moderator: ARIN <ul style="list-style-type: none"> County Directors and Deputy Directors of Environment and Climate Change County Directors and Deputy Directors of Agriculture Relevant Government SAGAs (KenInvest, NETFUND etc) LREB Director Climate Change Partners | Co-facilitators: ARIN LREB Secretariat |
| 1300H -1400H | LUNCH BREAK (Cultural Food Fest) | Food Court |
| EVENT 4: Cultural Festival- MMUST GROUNDS | | |
| 1400H – 1700H | Cultural Festival (Traditional Dancers, Cultural Fashion Show) | Dr. L. Mandillah (IICKSCC) CECs Culture LREB |
| EVENT 5: LREB GALA DINNER | | |
| 1800H - 2200H | GALA DINNER : Dress Code - African <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entertainment Performance by local artists Remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Host: H.E Hon. Fernandes Barasa Awards and Speeches Chief Guest -Principal Secretary, Science, Research and Innovation – Prof. Shaukat Abdulrazak, EBS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young & Ngao Locally Led Climate Champions Youth Innovations/Hackathon Awards Vote of thanks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> H.E Ayub Savula, Deputy Governor Kakamega County | Sumba Juma |



DAY 2: OFFICIAL OPENING LREB SUMMIT -15TH OCTOBER 2025

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| 0800h – 0830H | Arrival of Guests and Registration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entertainment | Secretariat |
| 0830H - 0930H | Welcome Remarks by <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prof. Solomon Shibairo - Vice Chancellor, Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST) Mr. Victor Nyagaya - CEO Lake Region Economic Bloc Hon. Ayub Savula - Deputy Governor, Kakamega County <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Introductions of VIP Dignitaries » Recognition of partners and sponsors <p>Remarks by Key Sponsors an Partners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Platinum Sponsor –JOSPONG Country Director SNV | Moderators: Norman Mudibo Sumba Juma - Director Communications |
| 0930H - 1000H | Showcase Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. John Mwendwa, OGW - CEO KenInvest Ms. Charlene Ruto - CEO SMACHS Foundation | Moderator: Norman Mudibo |
| 1000H - 1030H | HEALTH BREAK | |
| 1030H - 1230H | BREAK AWAY SESSIONS | |
| 1030H - 1230H | Venue - Main Plenary <p>Session Topic: Research, Innovation and Green Financing.</p> <p>Documentary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Research Fund (NRF) MMUST <p>Showcase Innovation: Hackathon Winner</p> <p>Moderator: MMUST</p> <p>Guest Speakers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Caroline Mugalla Khamati - ILO Regional Director, East Africa Prof. Shaukat Abdulrazak, EBS - Principal Secretary, Science, Research and Innovation <p>Moderator: NRF</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Centre Director KALRO Kakamega Dr. Ngige, DG NACOSTI Prof. F. Orata MMUST Dr Joanes Atela, Executive Director, ARIN Dr. Phitalis Masakhwe, Chief Officer Service delivery Kakamega Mr. Alex Nyago -SMACHS Foundation | Moderator: National Research Fund (NRF) |
| 1030H - 1230H | Side Event 2: Venue TURACO <p>Session Topic : Resilient Agri-Food System Driven by Renewable Energy</p> <p>Welcome Remarks</p> <p>Hon. Mophat Mandela, CEC Agriculture, County Government of Kakamega</p> <p>Keynote Address:</p> <p>Rebecca Halam (SNV) - Country Director, SNV in Kenya and Burundi</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project Brief: Power for Food Partnership - Judith Libaisi, Power for Food Partnership Lead, Kenya Documentary (SNV) | SNV Counties (Kakamega, Bungoma, Busia, Nandi, Uasin Gishu, Kericho and Nakuru) |



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| | <p>Success Story :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eng. Michael Lwoyelo- MD Regen Organics <p>Master class</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> John Ngigi (SNV) Prof. Thomas Rewe (Egerton University) – Learn Pathway Rikki Aguda (SOCAA) – Leverage Pathway Patrick Sigei (BOP Inc.) <p>Ceremony:</p> <p>SNV/County Governments Statement of Support signing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CECs (Kakamega, Bungoma, Busia, Nandi, Uasin Gishu, Kericho and Nakuru) <p>MoU Signing by SNV Implementing Partners</p> <p>Closing Remarks: Hon Eng. Maara Nelson, CEC</p> | |
| 1030H - 1230H | <p>Side Events 3: Venue - Tent 2 - LOLWE</p> <p>Documentary : JOSPONG, FARM AFRICA</p> <p>Session Topic: Agro-Processing, Blue Economy & Sustainable Aquaculture Value Chains</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Country Director, Josping Group – Innovations and Investments in Sustainable Agro-Processing and Waste Management for Aquaculture Mr. Teddy Nyanapah – Project Coordinator, Farm Africa (YISA Program): Strengthening Aquaculture Value Chains for Youth and Women Dr. Chrispine Nyamweya – Assistant Director, Kenya Marine and Fisheries Research Institute (KMFRRI): Scientific Insights for Blue Economy Development <p>Chief Guest Speaker: H.E. Gladys Wanga, Governor, Homa Bay County</p> <p>Panel Discussion “Building Competitive Aquaculture Value Chains in LREB: Standards, Branding, and Inclusive Market Access”</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Juma Aginda – Manager, DAS Group (K) Ltd (Kakamega Fish Factory) Mr. Norman Munala – Aquaculture Business Development Programme (ABDP), Kakamega Prof. Shivoga – Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST) CEC Agriculture, Busia County. Mr. Vincent Oduor – CEO Aquaculture Barn Limited | JOSPONG |
| 1030H - 1230H | <p>Side Event 4: Tent 3 - High Level Climate Research and Policy Makers Roundtable</p> <p>Moderator: Noman Mudibo</p> <p>Chief Guest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rt. Hon. (Dr.) Moses M. Wetang’ula, EGH, MP, Speaker of the National Assembly <p>Round table Session Participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governors, Deputy Governors, Senators, Parliamentary committee representatives and MCAs Mr Peter Odhengo, FloCCA Coordinator & Ministry of Treasury: | African Research and Impact Network (ARIN) |



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| | LUNCH BREAK | |
| 1330H – 1430H | <p>Arrival of the President at MMUST Grounds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local entertainment – MMUST Grounds Documentary <p>Presidential Round Table – VVIP Lounge (Governors, Ambassadors, LREB CEO and Platinum Sponsors)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tour of Exhibitions | State Function |
| 1400H – 1430H | Remarks by Key Stakeholders; | |
| | OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY | |
| 1430H - 1630H | <p>Official Opening of the Climate Change Summit and Agri-Expo Location: Main Plenary Hall</p> <p>Arrival of the President at the Plenary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anthems - National Anthem, East Africa Anthem and Kakamega Anthem Prayers by Rev and Sheikh Local entertainment <p>Opening Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome Remarks by Dr Pamela Sitienei - Chairperson of Council, Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST) <p>Documentary on Climate Change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speech by Platinum Sponsor <p>Keynotes Addresses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> H.E FCPA Hon. Fernandes Barasa - Host Governor, Kakamega County H.E Hon Dr Wilber Ottichilo, EGH - Governor Vihiga County, and Chairperson of Environment and Climate Change Committee, CoG H.E Prof. Peter Anyang' Nyong'o – Governor Kisumu County and Chairperson, Lake Region Economic Block | State Function - State commentator |



Launch of the LREB Regional Climate change and Agri-Expo

1. Signing of MoUs (Jospong, KenInvest, SMACHS Foundation)
2. Launch of the MMUST Innovation Academy
3. Launch of the SNV Power for Food Partnership Project (**Kakamega, Bungoma, Busia, Nandi, Uasin Gishu, Kericho and Nakuru**)
4. Launch of the LREB Youth Innovation and Research Hub- Kakamega Chapter

- **Remarks by the Ministry of Environment, Climate change and Forestry** by Dr. Barasa Mulongo - Cabinet Secretary

- **Remarks by the Prime Cabinet Secretary and CS Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora affairs** by Hon Musalia Mudavadi, EGH

Official Opening by the President of The Republic Of Kenya

- **Keynote address** by H.E. Dr William Samoei Ruto, C.G.H. President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces.

Presentation of gift to H.E. the President of the Republic of Kenya**Presidential Group Photo**

DAY 3: (16TH OCT)

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| 0800H -0830H | Arrival of Guests and Registration Entertainment Documentary- Climate change, MMUST | Secretariat |
| 0900H-1030H | Side Event 1 - Tent 1 Moderator: Guest Speakers 1. JOSPONG Session Topic: Resilient Municipalities: Climate-Smart Water and Urban Sanitation Systems Show case Speakers: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr Joanes Atela, Executive Director, ARIN 2. Ms. Christabel Ashiono, Principal Legal Officer – KACWASCO Kakamega 3. Mr. Abala Wanga -CITY Manager, Kisumu 4. Eng. Thomas Odongo - MD Kisumu City Water and Sewage Company 5. State Department of Housing | Africa Research and Impact Network Municipalities |
| | Side Event 2 - Tent 2 Documentary Moderator: Ms. Penina Mukabane -CEC Environment, Kakamega County Session Topic: E-Mobility, Clean Energy and Circular Economy Guest Speakers: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Susan Maina, Country Director – Practical Action 2. Mr. Samuel Tobiko- Program Component Manager Energising Development (EnDEV) Show case Speakers: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Eng. Ben Abila – CEO M-taka 2. Mr. Ben Wasonga, CE4HOW project Coordinator 3. BasiGo - E-Mobility (Electric Buses) 4. Ms. Mitugo Mukami, Regen Organics 5. Mr. Gilbert Saggia – Director EpureRides(K) 6. JOSPONG | Jospong Practical Action |
| HEALTH BREAK | | |
| 1100H-1230H | Main Plenary Session 1: Strengthening County Resilience: IBEC's Role in Ring-Fencing Climate Finance, Policy and Adaptation Policy Frameworks Guest Speaker: Dr Langat, Head of IBEC Panel Discussion: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. LREB CECs Environment and Climate Change 2. CECs Finance and Economic Planning 3. FLLOCA Representative | Moderator: Norman Mudibo IBEC |
| 1300H-1400H | LUNCH BREAK | |



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| 1300H-1400H | Arrival of H.E Prof Kithure Kindiki, Deputy President of the Republic of Kenya at MMUST grounds <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anthems - National Anthem, East Africa Anthem and Kakamega Anthem • Tour of Exhibitions • Local entertainment | H.E FCPA Fernandes Barasa LREB Chair H.E Prof Anyang' Nyongo |
| 1400H - 1530H | Official Closing Ceremony by Prof Kithure Kindiki, Deputy President of the Republic of Kenya at the Main Plenary <p>Documentary on Climate Change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognition of other Sponsors/Partners – 3Mins • Remarks by the Platinum and Gold Sponsors • Presenting a High-Level Climate Research, Policy & Practice Communique CEO ARIN & MMUST (Prof. Omuterema) <p>Keynotes Addresses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Pamela Sitienei - Chairperson of Council, Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST) • Host Governor - H.E FCPA Hon. Fernandes Barasa - Governor, Kakamega County • Presentation of the Conference Declaration and Resolutions by Prof. Anyang' Nyong'o - Chairperson, Lake Region Economic Block • Remarks by Cabinet Secretary Agriculture and Livestock Development, Hon Mutahi Kagwe <p>Keynote address by H.E. Prof Kithure Kindiki, Deputy President of the Republic of Kenya</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of gift to H.E. the President of the Republic of Kenya • Group Photo | State Function Protocol |

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