

EVALUATION OF COP 19 – MAIN RESULTS AND IMPLICATIONS FOR THE EAC AND ITS MEMBER STATES

Conference on ‘The Challenges of Climate Change Adaptation and the Potential of Sustainable Energies in the East African Community’

The Perspective of East African Civil Society Organizations after the COP 19

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Introduction

COP19 and CMP9

The 19th session of the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC (COP19) and the 9th session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP9) started from Monday, 11th November and was concluded on Saturday, 23rd November 2013 at the National Stadium in Warsaw, Poland.

➤ Introduction...

At the Conference, five (5) organs met and those are:

- The Nineteenth Session of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention United Nations Framework on Climate Change (COP 19),
- The Ninth Session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP 9),
- The Thirty-Ninth Session of Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI 39),
- The Thirty-Ninth Session of Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA 39), and
- The Third Part of the Second Session of the Ad hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for enhanced Action (ADP 2-3).

➤ Role of Tanzania in COP19

- CAHOSCC coordination (since January 2013 until 2014)
- Leading AMCEN in COP19
- SBSTA being chaired by Tanzania
- Loss and Damage negotiations for African Group led by Tanzania
- SBI lead coordination by Tanzania
- REDD+ negotiation for LDCs by Tanzania

➤ Main Issues/Areas of Discussion

- 2015 Climate Change Global Agreement
- Loss and Damage
- Climate Finance
- Technology Development and Transfer
- Reporting Mechanism & Guidelines
- REDD+

➤ Main Results and Implications

2015 Climate Change Global Agreement

- Parties agreed to adopt the agreement by 2015 at COP21 in Paris
- Initiation or intensification of domestic preparations for national ‘contribution’ to the 2015 Global Agreement and communicate them by first quarter of 2015 ‘by Parties ready to do so’
- Resolved to accelerate implementation to enhance ambition in the pre-2020 period by intensifying technical work and engagement of Ministers.

➤ Main Results and Implications...

Loss and Damage

- Establishment of *Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage* under ‘Cancun Adaptation Framework’ with its review scheduled in COP22 to address Loss and Damage associated with impacts of CC including extreme and slow onset events.
- Establishment of Executive Committee coming from existing bodies (AC, LEG SCF, TEC and CGE).
- Functions: Enhancing knowledge and understanding; Strengthening dialogue, coordination, coherence and synergies; Enhance action and support including finance, technology and capacity building.

➤ Main Results and Implications...

Climate Finance

- pledges were made but not as required:
 - ✓ \$ 280m for REDD+ (Norway \$ 135m, UK \$ 120m and US \$25m)
 - ✓ \$ 72.5m (German 30m, Austria 0.5m, Belgium 3.25m, Finland 5m, France 5m, Norway KR 15m, and Switzerland CHF 10m)
- GCF still an 'Empty Shell'

➤ Main Results and Implications...

Technology Development and Transfer

- Completion of work on the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN) in terms of modalities of CTCN and Rules of procedures of its Advisory Board.
- Issues of Intellectual Property Rights have not agreed, further discussion in June, 2014.

REDD+

- The Warsaw Framework for REDD+
 - Methodological Guidelines
 - Institutional Arrangement
 - Financing (with pledges of \$ 280m)

➤ Main Results and Implications...

Climate Summit 2014

- UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon reiterated his invitation to all governments, and leaders from finance, business, local government and civil society, to a climate summit in New York on 23 September 2014.

➤ Main Results and Implications...

Dates and Venues for Future Sessions

- COP20 (Lima - Peru, from Monday, 1 December to Friday, 12 December 2014)
- COP21 (Paris, France, from Monday, 30 November to Friday, 11 December 2015)
- COP22 (Senegal? November/December)

➤ Main Results and Implications...

- <http://unfccc.int/2860.php#decisions>
- <http://forumcc.org/content/cop19-and-cmp9-decisions>

➤ Conclusion

- Though some progress have been made but the process is moving very slow compared to the actual urgency.
- Therefore, Do we need to continue with COPs?

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