PLATFORM MEMBERSHIP CHARTER

ABOUT US	The Forum on Climate Change (FORUMCC) is a Tanzanian non-governmental organization dedicated to advancing climate resilience, climate justice, and sustainable development. We are legally registered under the NGO Act of 2002 (Registration No. 00NGO/00010089). FORUMCC was established in 2008 as a loose network; and was initially incorporated in 2013 as a company limited by guarantee under the Companies Act of 2002, and later formally registered as an NGO in 2019. We are based in Dar es Salaam, but our approach is to work with members and/or through members to effectively achieve organizational goals from the lowest level of vulnerable communities, and practitioners - to the highest level in decision making. We work through a strong platform of over 75 member organizations across 20 regions of Tanzania. And we work with/through our platform members because the main purpose of establishing this forum is to ensure effective, informed, and accountable engagement of civil society in climate actions—particularly for the benefit of vulnerable communities and the environment. FORUMCC is accredited to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) with Observer Status, actively engaging in regional and global climate platforms to promote equitable and locally driven solutions. We work to amplify Africa's voice in climate diplomacy and ensure that community priorities are reflected in international processes. As the Designated National Platform in Tanzania for the Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA), FORUMCC is part of a continental coalition of more than 2,000 civil society organizations across 54 African countries. This platform enables coordinated policy advocacy, community mobilization, and knowledge generation to promote fair, inclusive, and ecologically just climate action. Through these mechanisms, FORUMCC contributes to shaping transformative climate policies, strengthening accountability frameworks, and ensuring that frontline communities are meaningfully represented in decision-making spaces.

OUR MISSION is to empower communities, influence policies, and drive evidence-based climate action that fosters resilience, justice, and sustainable development in Tanzania.

OUR VISION	To see Tanzania that is a resilient nation ensuring sustainable economic growth, and dignified futures for its people in the face of increasing impacts of climate change.

THE PURPOSE OF THE FORUM

To ensure effective and informed engagement of Civil Society Organizations in Tanzania on Climate Change issues for the benefit of the environment and people in poverty, women and youth, who are mostly affected by the impacts of climate change. It strives to achieve climate-proofed policies and practices using an evidence-based approach to accelerate adaptation and mitigation actions to address climate change vulnerability and a low-carbon pathway.

MANDATE OF FORUMCC SECRETARIAT AND MEMBERS' ENGAGEMENT	The FORUMCC has a secretariat that is mandated to manage the activities of the Forum. FORUMCC approach is to implement programs with members and through members; thus, the secretariat is managed and run by a small team of professionals. This approach strengthens FORUMCC's relationship with its members and at the same time builds the capacity of member organizations through "learning by doing". It also forms synergies and ensures macro-micro linkages in our engagement. To strengthen the capacity of civil society organizations, individuals and associates, and effective coordination and information sharing on climate change issues, FORUMCC is committed to a Platform of members. Membership in the platform is open to individuals and organizations interested in FORUMCC objectives.

THE BENEFITS OF PLATFORM MEMBERSHIP	▪ To mobilize and build the capacity of your organization through the technical assistance that FORUMCC provides. ▪ Co-organize events with FORUMCC secretariat. ▪ Joint fundraising. ▪ Members are eligible to take part in FORUMCC-organized events including; trainings, workshops, exchange visits, meetings and other activities at national, regional and international levels. ▪ Access and share climate change-related information through FORUMCC communication platforms/social media and strategy and website. ▪ Receive climate change-related technical support from the secretariat and other platform members. ▪ To share advocacy and campaigning experience and coordinate with other like-minded networks. ▪ To team up expertise, support, and engage in research and other information generation activities. ▪ To learn and share best practices on issues related to Climate Change and sustainable development within Tanzania, Africa and beyond.

MEMBERSHIP AND TYPES OF MEMBERS	**Platform Members** This membership category is open to Tanzania non-governmental organizations (Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), and Faith-Based Organizations (FBOs), youth and women-led groups that are actively engaged in, or provide support for initiatives related to development in different sectors such as education, health, construction, mining, fishing, business, livelihood; renewable energy and environmental sustainability, sustainable livelihoods and agriculture; natural resource management and conservation, WASH, gender equality, disability inclusion, youth and women empowerment to name a few. **Associates** This category is open to Climate Change practitioners and experts; Researchers and academics; Private sector companies committed to sustainability and low-carbon practices such as green social entrepreneurship and circular economy initiatives; International organizations and agencies; Regional or continental coalitions in climate and development. contribute to FORUMCC's mission through advocacy, training, research/studies, advisory, information generation and dissemination, grassroots actions, and technical support for green social entrepreneurship and the circular economy; as well as capacity building and mentorship for women, children and youth.

	Observers This category is open to any organization/person that operates within and beyond Tanzania and has the ambition to support and/or sponsor the works done by FORUMCC.

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✓ Attend meetings and actively participate in FORUMCC initiatives ✓ Promote FORUMCC's vision and mission as well as activities ✓ To educate people about the aims and objectives of the organization ✓ Contribute to the Forum's sustainability through annual dues: • ***Annual subscription fee:*** TZS 50,000 • ***Registration/entry fee:*** TZS 100,000 ✓ Uphold professional standards and moral ethics ✓ Participate in relevant thematic groups based on expertise and focus areas.	As a member, you will benefit from the strengths and experience of a diverse and growing number of organizations at the national and international levels. More specifically, you will be able to benefit from national and international collaborations and support systems, including: ✓ Capacity-building and technical assistance that FORUMCC provides. ✓ Co-organization of events with FORUMCC secretariat. ✓ Joint fundraising initiatives. ✓ Participation in training, workshops, exchange visits and meetings at national, regional and international forums. ✓ Access and share climate change-related information through FORUMCC communication platforms/social media and strategy and website. ✓ Receive climate change-related technical support from the secretariat and other platform members. ✓ Opportunities for shared advocacy, research, and best practices exchange. ✓ Inclusion in networking and learning platforms on climate change issues and sustainability. ✓ Learning and sharing best practices on issues related to Climate Change and sustainable development within Tanzania, Africa and beyond.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR PLATFORM MEMBERS

- Be a legally registered organization with at least two years of operation.
- Support, operate and engage in the areas outlined in the section "**MEMBERSHIP AND TYPES OF MEMBERS.**"
- Individuals/Institutions/Organizations implementing relevant projects or programs
- Actively promote indigenous knowledge and skills in sustainable development and natural resources management.
- Be devoted and enthusiastic to share knowledge and skills through networking with other Platform members.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO SUBMIT

1. Organization Profile
2. Certificate of registration
3. Organization constitution
4. Annual narrative reports for the past two years

TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Membership in Platform Members shall cease upon the evident occurrence of any of the following events:

- ***Voluntary Resignation:*** If a Member voluntarily resigns by a written notice duly served to the FORUMCC secretariat. A written notice must be submitted to the Secretariat at least one month in advance.
- ***Involuntary Termination:*** If a Member is summarily terminated from FORUMCC membership by the Annual Platform Members Meeting. Membership may be revoked and a prior written notice will be provided to the member concerned.
- ***Legal Deregistration:*** If an organization is deregistered by the relevant authorities.
- **Non-Payment:** Failure to pay membership dues for three consecutive years without formal notification.
- ***Reinstatement:*** Resigned or terminated members may reapply for membership after a minimum of three months from the date of termination. Approval is subject to review by the FORUMCC Secretariat and the Board of Directors.

HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER

One can join by selecting the type of Membership and filling in the information that will be approved by the Board.

Please fill out the Application Form, then send it to the FORUMCC Secretariat, by e-mail to platform.members@forumcc.or.tz

The FORUMCC Secretariat is available to support you with any queries related to the application process and membership. The Membership Committee will review your application against the requirements and may request additional information.

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