



## PROGRAMME

### 8<sup>TH</sup>AFRICAN RCE MEETING

CHANCELLOR COLLEGE, ZOMBA, MALAWI, 8<sup>TH</sup>- 10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2018

**THEME:** Upscaling the Impact of African RCE's in Actualising the SDGs

**ARRIVAL:** TUESDAY, 07<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2018

International participants Arrival - met at Chileka International Airport (RCE Zomba)

**DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST ----- 08:00 hrs to 19:00 hrs -----**

***08:00 – 10:30: Session 1: Opening Session***

**Director of Ceremonies:** *Dr Chomora Mikeka*

- 08:00 Registration
- 09:00 Invited Guests arrive at the venue, Great Hall, Chancellor College
- 09:30 Guest of Honour arrives at the venue (met by RCE secretariat)
- 09:35 Guest of Honour takes seat
- Welcome remarks by Director of Ceremonies
  - National Anthem
  - Opening Prayer
  - Introduction of Dignitaries (Director of Ceremonies)
  - Remarks by LOC Chairperson (Dr Marlene Chikuni)
  - Message from UNU-IAS (Dr Unnikrishnan Payyappallimana on behalf of UNU-IAS Director)
  - Remarks by Regional Advisor to the RCE community in Africa (Prof Goolam Mohamedbhai)
  - Remarks by RCE Africa President (Dr Abdul Husaini)
  - Remarks by Principal, Chancellor College (Prof Richard Tambulasi)

- Official opening by Mr Bright Kumwembe (Chief Director for Environment and Climate Change Management)

10:30 – 11:00 Group photo & HEALTH BREAK

**11:00 – 12:30: Session 2: Plenary Session**

**Chair:** *Dr Chomora Mikeka*

**Rapporteur:** *Ms Bernadetta Zimba*

11:00 – 11:40 Keynote Address by *Prof S. Chiotha*: A reflection on the architecture of RCE to enhance impact delivery

11:40 – 12:00 Linkages between RCEs, the Ubuntu Committee of Peers for the RCEs and Advisors to the RCE Community (Prof Akpezi Ogbuigwe & Prof Goolam Mohamedbhai)

12:00 – 12:30 Discussion

12:30 – 13:30 LUNCH BREAK

**13:30 – 17:30: Session 3: RCEs' Presentations**

**Chair:** *Mr Michael Makonombera*

**Rapporteur:** *Ms Asante Chikopa*

13:30 – 13:50 The Unslumming Minna Project: Path to Sustainable and Inclusive Urbanization by *Abdul Husaini*, RCE Minna

13:50 – 14:10 Sigwe Wetland Rehabilitation Project by *Belusile Mhlanga*, RCE Swaziland

14:10 – 14:30 A Paradox? Tree Species Diversity and Carbon Storage in Zomba City by *Frank Chimayimba*, RCE Zomba

14:30 – 14:50 Enhancing the Understanding of Ecosystem (vegetation) Change Detection Amongst Communities in Greater RCE Zaria Region by *Muktar Ahmad*, RCE Zaria

14:50 – 15:10 HEALTH BREAK

15:10 – 15:30 Adopt a River Initiative by *Elizabeth Mwangi* RCE Greater Nairobi

- 15:30 – 15:50 Sustainable Gardening for Improved Students' Health by *Sopani Muzumara*, RCE Lusaka
- 15:50 – 16:10 Land Use Changes and Land Tenure Systems in Taita Taveta County: Application of STDM Techniques on Coastal Forest Ecological Regions by *Maarifa Ali Mwakumanya*, RCE Greater Pwani
- 16:10 – 16:30 Presentation by *Dan Otieno Ong'Or*, RCE Nyanza delegate
- 16:30 – 17:30 Lessons from Lake Chilwa Basin Climate Change Adaptation Programme – Book launch
- 18:30 – 20:00 WELCOME DINNER, Chancellor College; Great Hall / Little Theatre

**DAY 2: THURSDAY, 9<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST ----- 08:00 hrs to 17:00 hrs -----**

**09:00 – 13:00: Session 4: RCEs' Presentations**

**Session Chair:** *Prof Goolam Mohamedbhai*  
**Rapporteur:** *Mr Elias Mwakilama*

- 09:00 – 09:30 Recap of day 1 – Rapporteurs
- 09:30 – 10:10 Key Note address by *Prof Akpezi Ogbuigwe*: Empowering RCEs to implement the SDGs
- 10:10 – 10:30 Discussion
- 10:30 – 11:00 HEALTH BREAK
- 11:00 – 11:20 Technology Adoption by University Students in Malawi: Case of Chancellor College by *Nertha Mgala*, RCE Zomba
- 11:20 – 11:40 Women Empowerment Initiative Implementation Status In Gbarian/Ekpetiama Cluster Development Area, Bayelsa state, Nigeria by *Keme-Iderikumo Kwen*, RCE Greater Yanaga
- 11:40 – 12:00 Enhancing Habitat Rehabilitation Through Community Engagement and Action by *Brian Waswala*, RCE South Rift
- 12:00 – 12:20 The Impact of Gender and Youths in Transformation of Communities Through Education for Sustainable Development by *Oyege Ivan*, RCE Greater Uganda
- 12:20 – 12:40 Green Mount Cameroon by *Masango Sone*, RCE Buea

12:40 – 13:00 Impact of Solid Waste and Water Quality of River Kamiti and Its Benefits to the Surrounding Community by *Esther Kitur*, RCE Greater Nairobi

13:00 – 14:00 LUNCH BREAK

**14:00 – 15:20: Session 5: RCEs' Presentations**

**Chair:** *Ms Chikondi Shaba*

**Rapporteur:** *Mr Martin Likongwe*

14:00 – 14:20 A Comparative Study on the Laws of Waste Management, in particular Plastic Waste and How the Youth Can Be Used as an Instrument for Change by *Asante Chikopa*, RCE Zomba

14:20 – 14:40 Electronic Waste Management by *Samuel N. Njogu*, RCE Greater Nairobi

14:40 – 15:00 Seeking Redress for Challenges to Implementation of SDGs: Using the Law as an Oversight for Sustainable Development by *Zenani Sawerenga & Nebert Chirwa*, RCE Zomba

15:00 – 15:20 Participatory Scenario Planning (PSPs) as a Tool for the Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals by *Ms Bernadettah Maria Kamzimbi Zimba*, RCE Zomba

15:20 – 15:30 HEALTH BREAK

**15:30 – 17:00: Session 6: IPBES Workshop**

**Facilitators:** *Dr Mariteuw Chimère Diaw, Dr Unnikrishnan Payyappalli*

15:30 – 17:00 Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)

**DAY 3: FRIDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST ----- 08:00 hrs to 17:00 hrs -----**

**09:00 – 10:30: Session 7: Panel Discussion on ESD Opportunities and Challenges Associated with Implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals**

**Facilitator:** *Ms Bernadettah Maria Kamzimbi Zimba*

**Panellists:** *Youth Representatives*

10:30 – 11:00: HEALTH BREAK

**11:00 – 12:45: Session 8: Closing Session**

**Chair:** Dr Abdul Husaini

**Rapporteur:** Ms Sopani Muzumara

11:00 – 11:30: Recap of day 2 – Rapporteurs

11:30 – 12:30:

- RCE Deliberations : Follow-up, Updates and Discussion about Last Year's Meeting e.g. RCE Journal
- Presentation of Communication Strategy from Global RCE Service Center
- Elections of New African Secretariat

12:30 – 12:45: Closing Remarks

- Remarks by Dr Levis Eneya, Dean of Science
- Remarks by UNU-IAS

**13:00 – 16:00 Excursion**

The excursion will involve site visits related to community engagement including a visit of a successful conservation agriculture farmer who has been practising for over six years. From there, we will proceed to an Automated Weather Station at Malosa EPA to learn how extension workers are managing data on weather and using it for example in climate change mitigation and adaptation. Thereafter, the group will tour a river bank afforestation project and conclude with a demonstration of energy saving cook stoves.

**DAY 4: SATURDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

**DEPARTURE from Chileka International Airport for International delegates**

