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Candidates Nominated for the Elections of Regional Representatives

Pursuant to the call that was sent out to all accredited organisations to nominate candidates for elections for the FIVE regions: Africa, West Asia, Asia Pacific and Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean; that had not carried out elections.

Ser. No	Name and Organisation of nominated Candidate	Name and Organisation of the nominator	Short Bio of the Nominated Candidate (as submitted by the nominators)
1.	Fazal Issa - Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA)	Ann Kobia, Human Resource and Administration Officer, Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA)	Fazal Issa is a climate change expert focusing on adaptation and finance architecture. He has a Bachelor degree from University of Dar es Salaam and Masters of Science from Mzumbe University. He is the current Africa Regional Representative for UNEP Major Groups and Stakeholders. He works at FORUMCC Tanzania as Program Manager since 2012 and worked at United Nations Association of Tanzania from 2010 - 2012. His experience draws from engagement on climate change at all levels - local, national, regional and global. At the local and national levels - he has produced publications and pioneering implementation of adaptation initiatives especially on agriculture, livestock, water and energy sectors. At regional and global levels – he has been following closely discussion and negotiations on climate change adaptation and finance under UNFCCC and at various climate funding bodies including Adaptation Fund (AF) and Green Climate Fund (GCF).
2.	Kenyangi Gertrude Kabusimbi - Support for Women in Agriculture and Environment (SWAGEN)	Gertrude Kabusimbi Kenyangi - Support for Women in Agriculture and Environment (SWAGEN)	Ms. Gertrude Kabusimbi Kenyangi holds a Bachelors Degree in Agriculture, a Post-Graduate Diploma in Rural Development Planning and a Masters' Degree in Gender Studies.



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			<p>She also has specialised trainings in Environment conservation and Management, Project Planning and Management, etc. She has worked with grassroots women organisations on issues of Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation, Community Resilience, Food Security and Sovereignty, eradication of Extreme Poverty and hunger, etc since 1998. Her work has been recognised by the Award of several prizes including the ONE World Prize for eradication of extreme poverty, the Wangari Maathai Prize awarded by the UN FAO Collaborative Partnership on Forestry and 100 Project for the Climate awarded by the Government of France, all in 2015. Ms. Kenyangi is a member of the Women's Major Groups and has been involved with the UN Sustainable Development Agenda since the Rio+20 Summit in 2012. She has participated both physical and online in the formulation of SDGs through the Open Working Groups (OWG) at the UN Headquarters in New York., in the UNFCCC / COP 19, 20, 21, 22 . She has participated in both UNEA 1 and 2 and is part of the preparatory process of the Women's Major Group for UNEA 3. She was elected by Civil Society Organisations to be a Multi-Advisory Committee (MAC) member for the UNEP 10 YFP Sustainable Livelihoods Education and a "Partner" 10 YFP Sustainable Food Systems (SFS). She has also served as Facilitator of the Eastern Africa Region at the UN FAO Civil Society Mechanism for engagement with Committee on Food Security (CSM4CFS), and the Observer for Africa on the Climate Investment Fund Forest Investment Program (CIF FIP).</p>
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3.	Ochieng Cosmas - African Center for Technology Studies (ACTS)	Susy Wandera Secretary of the Board and Climate Change Focal Point	Dr. Cosmas Ochieng the Executive Director of the African Centre for Technology Studies (ACTS) has a wealth of experience and knowledge in the areas of research, policy and management for development in the expansive environmental field - climate change, sustainable development, agriculture, natural resource management and biodiversity.
4.	Sonny Tracy - Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA)	Anne Makena Kobia - Human Resource and Administration Office, Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA)	Tracy Sonny is an Environment and Social Expert with seven years' experience in the Energy, Gender and Climate Change sectors. She is currently the National Coordinator of Botswana Climate Change Network and UNEP Regional Representative for Major Groups and Stakeholders. She has regional and international experience in energy and climate change policy review, UNFCCC negotiation processes, natural resource management, energy integration, socioeconomic analysis, strategy development, project development and management, capacity building, public campaign and mobilization. She is an experienced communicator, facilitator, trainer and a team player with a track record in developing, managing and motivating others to achieve targets. She is a proactive and innovative individual with a logical approach to challenges, perform effectively even within a highly pressurized working environment. I am an active member of energy and climate change working groups for SADC, UNECA, UNDP Botswana and a Research Fellow at University of Capetown and S. N. D. T. Women's University (SNDTWU) in Mumbai, India.