

# Climate change affects us all, but it affects vulnerable communities the most.

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## CONTEXT:

- Climate-driven disasters exacerbate entrenched gender inequalities.
- 4.3 million deaths related to household air pollution from solid fuels in 2012.
- An additional 250,000 climate-related deaths per year is projected between 2030 and 2050 as a result of malnutrition, malaria, diarrhea and heat stress.

## WHAT:

We will work on this vision through three strategic interventions:

1. Mutual capacity strengthening for co-creating alternative scaled climate solutions.
2. Agenda-setting and movement in climate action through amplified storytelling.
3. Joint lobbying and advocacy to make policy and financial flows responsive to locally shaped climate solutions.

## WHO:

The alliance is led by four strong Southern CSOs – Akina Mama wa Afrika (AMWA), Fundación Avina, Slum Dwellers International (SDI) and SouthSouthNorth (SSN) – and two Global CSOs – Hivos and WWF-Netherlands.

## HOW:

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## WHY:

The climate crisis hugely effects nature and has a devastating impact on human life – and rights. We are at a critical juncture. In our fight against raising temperatures and in transforming our societies in a sustainable, just and inclusive manner.

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## WHERE:

The countries we work in are strategic choices based on economic importance and challenges faced in terms of climate vulnerabilities and limited civic space. At the same time, many interesting local initiatives and movements are emerging in these countries, providing opportunities to show how we can transition to a just, fair and sustainable world.

Participating regions and countries include:

- **East Africa: Kenya**
- **Southern Africa: Zambia**
- **Latin America: Brazil, Bolivia, Paraguay**
- **Southeast Asia: Indonesia**
- **North Africa: Tunisia**

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## WHAT'S NEXT:

VCA is set to effect the amplification of locally-shaped climate action and play a pivotal role in the global climate debate. For more information about the program, our agenda and how to collaborate with us, please contact us via [info@voicesforclimateaction.org](mailto:info@voicesforclimateaction.org).

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