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## **Grants for Nonprofit Organisations**

### Peace Revolution's 4th Amani Training for Africa

Applications are now open for the Peace Revolution's 4th Amani Training for Africa. This is an opportunity to inspire for individuals to their community as active peace builders who guide others in the endeavor of building sustainable peace starting with their own practice and community sharing.

Deadline: August 3, 2019.

#### Joke Waller-Hunter (JWH)'s Grant for Environmental CSOs

This grant aims to stimulate leadership of young people in environmental Civil Society Organisations to secure dedicated, knowledgeable and skillful leaders for the environmental movement in the developing world.

Deadline: August 9, 2019

## Rising Tide Foundation's Funding for Entrepreneurial Approaches

Rising Tide Foundation is exploring the concept of Empowering for Freedom and seeking projects that show entrepreneurial approaches to social issues that advance the freedom of individuals and society.

Deadline: August 12, 2019

# Pan-African Awards for Entrepreneurship in Education

This application with an emphasis on sustainability offers monetary prizes up to \$15,000 as an investment in organisations whose inspirational work is transforming the futures of African Youth.

Deadline: April 16, 2019

# <u>Private Financing Advisory Network's Grant for Climate and Clean Energy</u> <u>Projects</u>

The Private Financing Advisory Network (PFAN) has opened the call for Climate & Clean Energy Projects that deliver adaptation-related and climate resilience benefits in West Africa.

Deadline: August 18, 2019

### Jana Robeyst Trust Fund in the Sub-Saharan Africa

The Jana Robeyst Trust Fund is seeking applications for its Small Conservation Grants to provide financial resources to early career scientists/conservationists and non-profit organizations to carry out vital field conservation and research work in Africa.

Deadline: August 31, 2019

### **Nonprofit Events**

#### **African Clean Up Initiative**

This is to formally invite civic leaders, NGOs, government agencies, environmental activists and students across Africa and the globeto participate at the 2019 African Clean-Up Conference.

Theme: Transformation for Sustainable Development: Promoting Sustainability in Africa.

Venue: Ghana Nurses and Midwives Center. Opposite GS Plaza Hotel, Shiashie, ACCRA, Ghana

Date: Friday, 2nd August to Saturday 3rd August, 2019. (Delegates Arrival: Thursday 1st and Delegate Departure: Sunday 4th August, 2019).

For more information, visit http://acuinitiative.org/accghana19

# **Civil Society Advanced Forum on SDGs**

The Civil Society Advance Forum on Sustainable Development (CAS2030) and other stakeholders are inviting you to the 2nd National Conference on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) .

The 2019 Conference aims to facilitate strategic partnership-building between the key players to achieve the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals locally.

Theme: Localizing the SDGs in Nigeria: Partnerships that Work

Venue: Dvenue Event Centre, City Park gate 2, Adetokunbo Ademola, Wuse 2, Abuja, Nigeria

Date: August 1, 2019

Time: 9am.

For more information, visithttp://civilsocietyadvanceforum.org

## **Promotion of Environmental Sustainability (ISTANBUL PRINCIPLE IV)**

The environment is considered the most important of the three pillars of sustainability, perhaps because the social and economic pillars are largely dependent on the existence of a functional environment. The inability to keep environmental issues in check weakens the other pillars of sustainability, therefore, it is safe to say that working towards a stronger and sustainable environment is key to ensuring a better quality of life, globally.

"Environmental sustainability is concerned with whether environmental resources will be protected and maintained for future generations", implying that while humans engage in various activities to meet their needs and make life enjoyable, they consider environmental protection and desist from acts that cause damage to the environment or deplete resources that cannot be renewed.

In promoting environmental sustainability, civil society actors should ensure that in the course of balancing local and global efforts to meet

basic human needs, the natural environment should not be destroyed or degraded as keeping the environment safe in order to sustain future generations is a commitment that everyone needs to be part of. Civic actors must, in actions and speech, encourage sustainable living- actively involving in maintenance of factors and practices that contribute to the quality of the environment on a long-term basis.

When all the three pillars of sustainability are strengthened, people live in a system where high-quality life is the norm. They have a clean healthy environment, a satisfactory level of economic well-being and a robust level of social fulfillment.

CSOs are effective as development actors when they develop and support policies that promote environmental sustainability and encourage more sustainable environmental practices. Such as-moving toward renewable energy (like solar)instead of relying on non-renewable energy sources (like coal and power plants)which create pollution and alter the earth's atmosphere.

A common approach needs to be agreed and; the people and the government should be aware of the damages their actions can inflict on the environment and the precautionary measures that needs to be taken. This will go a long way in protecting both the social and economic aspects of the society.

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