

The partners

Together, the partners bring unique strengths and experiences to deliver highly specialised and world class training and research in climate finance and sustainability.

Makerere University is a leading academic Centre in Africa and a front runner in research, innovation and policy engagement around climate change. Leveraging its 100-year history of excellence in research and capacity building, MUBS is the centre host, coordinating and managing the academic component of the centre activities and offering accreditation for all courses and programs.

The ARIN is a platform of over 200 researchers and policy experts drawn from 36 African countries dedicated to consolidating evidence, peer learning and sharing best research and impact practices from different African contexts. The ARIN coordinates the research component of the centre, and facilitates learning and exchange across the continent, research dissemination and policy engagement at national, regional and global levels. Also, leveraging its vast network of African researchers and professionals, ARIN has an outreach function, drawing on a wide range of African professionals to undertake targeted and specialized training at the centre and to contribute to the centre's human resources where necessary.

Frankfurt School of Finance and Management (FS) is one of Europe's leading business schools delivering German excellence in management and finance education. It is a world-leading climate and business training institute and university accredited by AACSB International, EQUIS, and AMBA which has implemented over 900 projects in more than 120 countries mostly in Africa and Asia Pacific. The Frankfurt School – UNEP Collaborating Centre for Climate & Sustainable Energy Finance, has been running sustainable/climate finance programs since 2011. Based on its long-experience in delivering climate finance training around the world, FS coordinates the North-South-North capacity development arm of the centre, supporting and coordinating the development and delivery of courses and academic programs at the highest international standards.



THE CLIMATE FINANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY (CFS) CENTRE

Partners



Makerere University Business School Uganda

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Africa Research and Impact Network Kenya

<https://www.arin-africa.org>

Frankfurt School of Finance & Management Germany

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The Climate Finance Capacity Challenge in Africa

Africa lags behind other continents in terms of attracting and utilizing the finance needed to adapt to and mitigate climate change—broadly conceived as climate finance. This is because of a lack of local capacity on how to develop interventions and strategies that can respond to the global climate finance and a weakness in policies and decision-making necessary for the successful implementation of climate projects.



Who we are

The Climate Finance and Sustainability (CFS) Centre is one of the first southern-driven Centres of Excellence, aimed at enhancing climate finance and sustainability training in Africa. The CFS centre exists to close the capacity and policy gaps above through the three-pronged delivery model below:

- Expand access to high quality climate finance and sustainability training to Africans who would have otherwise not had access to it, given the high cost of international/German education.
- Facilitate Africa-led and contextualised research, exchange, learning and sharing of ideas across the African continent
- Influence policy making on climate finance and sustainability across the continent through engaging with and providing policy makers with contextualized evidence through research undertaken by African researchers.

The centre provides trainings and capacity support for researchers, policy makers, practitioners and private sector on issues of climate finance and sustainability. Hosted at the Makerere University Business School (MUBS) in Kampala, Uganda, the CFS centre is a partnership between MUBS, the Africa Research and Impact Network (ARIN), in Nairobi Kenya and the Frankfurt School of Finance and Management in Frankfurt Germany.

Vision

To build impactful skills in Climate Finance on the African continent.

Mission

Leveraging capacity building in Climate Finance for sustainable development in Africa

Overall objective

Provide targeted and integrated capacity building support in climate finance for a range of stakeholders including Governments, Donors, financial institutions, students, civil society and the private sector

1. Supporting academic departments in African universities to integrate climate finance elements into the university curricula by supporting the development and teaching of relevant courses
2. Leveraging on South-South-North partnerships to deliver specialized and highly skilled Master and PhD programs and associated scholarships.
3. Offering short term skill enhancement courses targeted at programmatic areas (e.g. Executive Courses, Summer Schools) in climate finance and sustainability for diverse audiences.
4. Offering advisory services on climate finance and sustainability to private sector, commercial banks, NGOs and donors and projects.
5. Carrying out cutting edge research to support evidence-driven training systems.
6. Organizing conferences to discuss and document the status of sustainability and climate finance in Africa, opportunities and gaps.