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CSO Efforts to Ensure the GCF Supports Inclusive and Just Transformation in Developing Countries

Tuesday, November 15, 18:00 – 19:30, Green Zone, Room Oum Errabia

At COP 21, the Paris Agreement confirmed the role of the now fully operational Green Climate Fund (GCF), which for 2016 aims for an ambitious programming goal of US\$2.5 billion, as the most important multilateral tool for climate action in developing countries and the main financing pillar toward fulfillment of the Copenhagen long-term finance pledge of USD 100 billion per year by 2020.

This interactive discussion will look at the key policies and governing procedures the GCF needs to strengthen and implement to ensure that the GCF can support an inclusive and climate-just transformation in developing countries as well as follows and sets new best practice standards for climate financing. Panelists will examine in particular how full country ownership can best be realized in GCF funding and what role civil society, grassroots organizations and communities play in the GCF policy-setting, decision-making and the overall GCF project cycle as well as the policy reforms and re-adjustments urgently needed. The discussion will highlight steps to be taken short- and medium-term to support the delivery of GCF funding in a manner that is effective, efficient and equitable by ensuring broad community benefits, gender-responsiveness and the rights of indigenous peoples. The debate will highlight in particular the role that civil society can and must play, especially community-based groups and developing country non-governmental organizations and networks, to safeguard overall GCF accountability and monitor the quality of funding implementation.

Invited Speakers (TBC):

- **Ousseynou Nakoulima**, Country Programming Director, GCF Secretariat
- **Colin Young**, GCF Board Member/ Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries, Environment, Sustainable Development and Climate Change, Belize
- **Lidy Nacpil**, GCF CSO Active Observer, Asian Peoples Movement on Debt and Development (APMDD), Philippines
- **Mithika Miwenda**, Pan-African Climate Justice Alliance, Kenya
- **Stanley Kimaren Riamit**, Alternate GCF CSO Active Observer, Indigenous Livelihoods Enhancement Partners (ILEPA)
- **Wangare Kairumba**, National Environment Management Authority (NEMA), Kenya, GCF NIE

Moderator: **Liane Schalatek**, GCF CSO Active Observer, Heinrich Böll Stiftung North America, USA

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