



Republic of Kenya



Collaboration between

Ministry of Environmental Protection of the People's Republic of China,

Government of the Republic of Kenya and

United Nations Environment Programme

on

A Joint Project for the Establishment of a

China-Africa Environmental Cooperation Centre

LETTER OF INTENT

Referring to the various consultations between officials of the Ministry of Environmental Protection of the People's Republic of China (thereafter referred to as MEP), the Government of the Republic of Kenya (thereafter referred to as Kenya), United Nations Environment Programme and the relevant missions of African countries to United Nations Environment Programme and to African Union Commission regarding the Joint Project for the Establishment of a China-Africa Environmental Cooperation Centre (thereafter referred to as Centre),

Recalling the Memorandum of Understanding between United Nations Environment Programme and MEP on building a green "Belt and Road" signed on December 8, 2016,

Recalling the Johannesburg Action Plan (2016-2018) adopted at Johannesburg Summit and the 6th Ministerial Conference of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC), 3 to 5 December 2015, where a pledge was made to set up the China-Africa Environmental Cooperation Center as part of the efforts to advance the China-Africa relationship to a comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership,

Welcoming that the Centre envisages to strengthen China-Africa environmental cooperation to support the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals,

In this regard, MEP and United Nations Environment Programme intend to jointly:

- a) Cooperate in the establishment of the Centre to strengthen cooperation between China and African countries in the environment field as well as boost green technologies, investments and development in the spirit of South-South cooperation.
- b) Cooperate in facilitating the conclusion of a host country agreement for the Centre with Kenya Government and in encouraging participation of African countries and institutions in the work of the Centre.
- c) Facilitate the development of the governance structure, funding strategies and programme of the Centre.
- d) Determine the allocation of funds from China Trust Fund in United Nations Environment Programme for the inception of the Centre.
- e) Mobilize funding and other resources from international institutions, partners, business, public and private sectors, among others.

On the part of MEP, the following will be the intended actions to be taken:

- a) Mobilize funding and other support from partners including international intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations.

On the part of Kenya, the following will be the intended actions to be taken:

- a) Consult with its relevant departments towards the establishment of and grant of diplomatic status and necessary immunities to the Centre and its operations.
- b) Facilitate the negotiations with MEP and United Nations Environment Programme towards the conclusion of the Host Country Agreement for the Centre.
- c) Support the mobilisation of participation of African countries, mobilisation of resources and partners.

On the part of United Nations Environment Programme, the following will be the intended actions to be taken:

- a) Provide office space and supporting facilities for the Centre during the initial operation.
- b) Provide in-kind contribution for initial operation of the Centre.
- c) Appoint, in close consultation with MEP, a Director for the Centre who will be responsible for its overall management and operation.

Agreed and signed on 2017



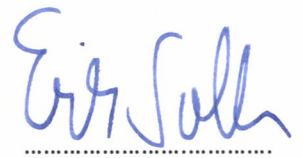
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