







### Climate Information Prize

Enhancing access and usability of climate information

The Climate Information Prize awards cash prizes for innovative solutions using climate information to help vulnerable communities in Kenya



The climate can have adverse effects on individuals and communities, especially where livelihoods are based on weather dependent resources. Better access and usability of products and services informed by climate information is one of the ways to help those individuals and communities better tackle climate related risks.

A lot of climate information is already available, but not in formats that communities can make use of. There is therefore an opportunity to use climate information to develop initiatives that help the vulnerable adapt to climate variability and change.

By awarding cash prizes, the Climate Information Prize (CIP) is aiming to encourage the development and implementation of such solutions in Kenya.

# What are the benefits of taking part?

Winners of the prize will receive the following benefits:

- Cash prizes (the Tekeleza Prize Pot is US\$425,000)
- Recognition and the opportunity to showcase their initiative at events and through our website and other media channels
- Chance to network with other peers and investors
- Acknowledgement of their support to vulnerable communities

#### **Tekeleza Prize**

The Tekeleza Prize will be awarded to innovators that have helped their target community/ies use climate information to build their resilience to climate change. The competition opens on the 6th April 2016 and the deadline for submission of the final report demonstrating results achieved is

July 2018. The winners will receive cash prizes, with a maximum individual award of US\$200,000.

To win the top prize you will need to reach a certain number of beneficiaries (to be agreed upon), demonstrate sustainability and show evidence and examples of how your initiative has benefited your vulnerable target community (in particular marginalised groups such as youth, elderly and disabled).

Winning applicants will submit a report demonstrating impact from their initiative. This will be judged by an independent judging panel and verified by an independent verification team. Maximum cash prizes are the following:

1st place - US\$200,000

2<sup>nd</sup> place - US\$100,000

3rd place - US\$50,000

Runners up x 3 - US\$25,000

# **Tekeleza Prize**

#### How to take part

#### Step 1 – Eligibility Criteria

Applicants should first review the eligibility criteria to ensure they/their organisation meets all the listed criteria

#### Step 2 – Registration

The applicant should then register online through the CIP website (www.climateinformationprize.org) where they will have access to the application form

#### Step 3 - Screening

The CIP team will screen their application to ensure it meets the eligibility criteria. If it passes they will be contacted to set up a meeting and agree final reporting indicators.

#### Step 4 - Implementation

The applicant implements their initiative providing light touch reporting to CIP on a periodic basis to report on progress

#### Step 5 - Reporting

The applicant submits the final report by the deadline in June 2018 presenting the results achieved

#### Step 6 - Judging

The judging panel review the final report and evaluate it against sub criteria aligned to the evaluation criteria

#### Step 7 - Verification

If the applicant makes it to the top 6 their results will be verified by our verification team

#### Step 8 – Award!

Assuming a satisfactory outcome of the verification and due diligence process the applicant will be awarded a cash prize! This will take place at the Tekeleza Award Ceremony

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

- Applications will be accepted from individuals or organisations. Applicants may be international, national, or local/community-based, but must have a bank account to take part.
- 2. No Kenyan government organisation (at state or county level) can lead an application, but are encouraged to become partner with an eligible organisation. Individuals working for a government organisation can partner or participate as an individual (with permission from the government organisation).
- Initiatives must use climate information to help vulnerable people in Kenya tackle current as well as future climate risks.
- Initiatives must target the poorest and must help marginalized groups, such as women, the youth, and the disabled.
- Applicants must specify the population and geographical area in Kenya the initiative will target.
- Applicants agree to work with the prize management to define simple monitoring indicators and supply regular data against these
- All applicants must adhere to the rules and regulations set out in the Terms and Conditions.

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Q: What do you mean by 'Climate Information'?

In this context, 'climate information' can include any information on temperature, rainfall, wind, soil moisture and humidity, whether obtained from local or scientific sources. For the purposes of this prize, it includes short- term weather information as well as information covering periods of months, seasons and years.

#### Q: How/where can I access Climate Information?

The Kenya Meteorological Department provides scientific meteorological and climatological services through their website. There are also other sources of science-based climate information on the internet. People and communities across Kenya also hold a wide range of climate information, e.g. in the form of seasonal rainfall indicators.

### Q: Who is the Climate Information Prize (CIP) meant for?

The CIP aims to encourage innovators to implement initiatives using climate information to develop innovative solutions that will help the vulnerable adapt to climate variability and change.

### Q: What kind of support can I expect to receive throughout the initial application process?

The Prize Team are happy to respond to any queries or clarifications you have about the prize and how it works.

## Q: What kind of support can I expect to receive throughout implementation?

The Prize Team will not provide guidance throughout implementation of the initiative however we will endeavour to help link you to funding opportunities or investors who may be interested in supporting your initiative.

#### Q: How do I apply to take part in the prize?

To take part you will need to submit your application through our website <u>www.climateinformationprize.org</u> after the 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

### Q: Can I complete the application form in any language other than English?

All applications must be made in English.

# Q: Can I get in touch if I have a query on my application?

Yes, you can contact us on info@climateinformationprize.org with any queries relating to the Prize.

#### Q: Who will be on the judging panel?

We will have an independent judging panel of industry experts.

### Q: When will the results of the competition be communicated?

Results will be announced in November 2018.

#### Q: Who is managing the competition?

The CIP is managed by Cardno Emerging Markets (EA) Ltd and Camco Advisory Services, under the Ideas to Impact Programme www.ideastoimpact.net.

#### Q: Where do the prize funds come from?

The prize is funded by the U.K. Department for International Development (DFID).

#### Q: What is the value of the total prize fund?

The total prize pot for the Tekeleza Prize is USD\$425,000.

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