

#### Key Messages of the Africa Climate Week Ghana, 18-22 March Stanford Mwakasonda

Tracking progress on adaptation to climate change under the enhanced transparency framework

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## Africa Climate week (ACW): Background

- Organized by Nairobi Framework Partnership (NFP), which supports developing countries in preparing and implementing their NDCs.
- Organized in the wake of successful Katowice COP 24, which concluded the operational elements of the Paris Agreement including national ambition relating to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, adapting to impacts of climate change and support for developing countries to take climate action
- Organized in the lead up to the September Climate Summit in New York convened by the UN Secretary-General to spur global leaders to pledge stronger commitments to reduce emissions and strengthen resilience
- Focused on how engagement between governments and non-governmental stakeholders, including private sector, can be strengthened across key sectors in Africa on key issues; nature-based solutions; the energy transition and; role of cities and local action in addressing the climate challenge



# Africa Climate week (ACW): Key issues

- Actions to meet the 1.5°C temperature goal
  - Adequate investments in Africa is key to deliver on and increase Nationally Determined Contributions
  - What are the opportunities in Africa to deliver on NDCs
  - Role of future carbon markets to enhance climate action towards the goal of sustainable development
  - Barriers to achieving NDCs targets: adequate capital flows to the continent and skills development
  - Establishing an enabling environments and customer designed financial instruments

#### Building climate resilience

- Need for climate plans to be aligned with development plans
- Mainstream mitigation and adaptation actions in national development strategies
- Make data on climate change actions consistent, reliable and comparable, and planning and implementing actions at all levels across sectors
- General ACW message to Africa
  - revisit NDCs by 2020 and ensure genuine buy-in from all actors for the high-level September Climate Summit
  - all interest groups in Africa invited to bring concrete proposals and actions to the Climate Summit in New York



### Questions





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