

# A PAN-AFRICAN ECOFEMINIST WOMANIFESTO

We are indigenous,  
We are deeply rooted,  
and  
**We are ecofeminists.**

We give ourselves the permission to dream,  
to dismantle power.

With hope in our hearts, for a different future,  
We are able to build,  
Collectively  
One with nature; our power shines forth.

**We want solidarity and power**

The cool breeze is who we are,  
The ones working towards equitable and sustainable nature practices,  
We are alive and we are that which gives life.

**We are African women working to defend the environment.**

**We cannot keep bleeding for them to become rich.**

We are who we are! We are the feminist power!

We are Africa,  
an Africa that blossoms with hope and oozes sparkles of an ecofeminist future

**Ecofeminism means women's roots.**

Women's rights are nature's rights!  
Fed up with climate change we are thirsty for climate justice!

**Our fight is to decolonize,**  
Our struggles, our dreams are valid,  
There is so much hope for the African women,  
when we all stand together, united.

**ALUTA CONTINUA!**

# PAN-AFRICAN ECOFEMINISTS DEMANDS

At COP27, pan-African ecofeminists, climate activists, community leaders and gender justice advocates are **STANDING IN SOLIDARITY WITH** frontline defenders and local communities across the continent, and **CALLING on African Governments to demand that developed nations:-**



## On Transition to Low Carbon Economies:

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Advance a **just-transition** as a common position for the continent that centers an **ecofeminist future** for African women and girls in all their diversity, in policy and decision-making.

2

Hold historical and current high GHG emitters accountable to ending fossil fuel pollution and **demand a halt to any new extractive initiatives in Africa.**

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## On Debt and Climate Finance:

Uphold and defend progressive policy considerations on loss and damage and commit to a **dedicated fund for loss and damage** beyond the general adaptation funds.

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Apportion **climate financing to local and indigenous climate solutions** that promote food sovereignty and sustainable renewable energy.

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Collectively **demand for debt cancellation, reparations for colonial debt and historic and ongoing emissions** which have funded and continue to fund the development of the global north.

6

Develop **progressive and radical tax justice policies** against corporations, including accountability for minimum and living wage labor compensation.

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Endorse **unconditional and debt-free climate financing**, that is gender-responsive, flexible, and multi-year.



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## On Meaningful Engagement and Participation:

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Foster meaningful and equitable representation of women and girls in all negotiations and decision making, including frontline community women leaders.

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Facilitate meaningful engagement of civil society pre-COP as well as post-COP to enhance accountability.

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Resist corporate capture! Demand for the exclusion of multinationals from COP negotiations.

## We CALL on all State Parties to the UNFCCC to:

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Prioritize continent wide land reforms which **promote equitable access to and control over land by women**, including ownership and control of the food ecosystem.

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Invest in and promote locally led, gender-just, and feminist climate solutions and movements that are anti-capitalist, decolonial, and collectivized.

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Support the UN Special Rapporteur on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights in the Context of Climate Change and call on this office to institute effective mechanisms to **strengthen the protection of environmental human rights defenders and accountability** for abuse, reprisals and violations by states and corporate actors.