# Capacity Building Webinar
## “Religious Communities and Ecological Sustainability in Southern Africa”

### Webinar Programme

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| 9:00 - 9:15   | **Welcome**  
*Philipp Öhlmann*, Head of the Research Programme on Religious Communities and Sustainable Development, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
*Iyad Abumoghli*, UN Environment Programme / PaRD WECARE Work-Stream Co-Lead  
*Najat Abdi Mohamed*, Global One / PaRD WECARE Work-Stream Co-Lead |
| 9:15 - 10:15  | **Keynote:** "Restricting global warming under the Paris Agreement: benefits and the consequences of failure for Africa and the world"  
*Prof. Francois Engelbrecht*, Professor at the School of Geography, Archaeology and Environmental Studies, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa, and Lead of the IPCC’s Special Report on the Global Warming of 1.5°C  
**Response** “Climate change and ecological sustainability – a religious leaders’ perspective”  
*Apostle Mangaliso Matshobane*, Community Church, South Africa, University of Pretoria, South Africa |
| 10:15 - 10:30 | Break |
| 10:30 - 11:40 | **Working Groups**  
**i. Eco-theology:** *Dr. Loreen Maseno*, Senior Lecturer at the Department of Religion, Theology and Philosophy, Maseno-University, Kenya  
**ii. Eco-Feminism:** *Dr. Tanya van Wyk*, Senior Lecturer in Spirituality, University of Pretoria, South Africa  
**iii. Local multi-faith action:** *Kate Davies*, Southern African Faith Communities Institute (SAFCEI), South Africa  
**iv. Water:** *Dr. Esper Ncube*, Water Quality Specialist at Rand Water, South Africa  
**vi. Preserving water from an Islamic perspective:** *Dr. Mohammad Gallant*, Lecturer in Islamic Studies, University of Western Cape, South Africa and founder of the Environmental Affairs Department of the Muslim Judicial Council (SA) |
| 11:40 - 12:00 | Break |
| 12:00 - 12:20 | **Presentation** of learning material on ecology for religious leaders in Southern Africa by the Green Teaching and Learning Community (Green TLC) *Dr. Tanya van Wyk* |
| 12:20 - 13:05 | **Panel discussion:** How can religious actors become active for ecological sustainability in their contexts?  
*Rev. Rachel Mash*, Environmental Coordinator at the Anglican Church of Southern Africa, member of the Anglican Communion Environmental Network steering committee  
*Dr. Robekkah Ritchie*, Post-Doctoral Researcher in Buddhist Studies at Freie Universität Berlin  
*Tahirih Matthee*, Bahá’í Community South Africa  
*Apostle Siboniso Ngobese*, Gilgal Bible Church, South Africa |
| 13:05 - 13:30 | **Concluding remarks, feedback and way forward**  
*Lilian Kurz*, World Evangelical Alliance / PaRD WECARE Work-Stream Co-Leads  
*Dinesh Suna*, World Council of Churches / PaRD WECARE Work-Stream Co-Leads  
*Philipp Öhlmann*, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin |

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