

# PROGRAMME

## THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2024

- 8h00-9h00** Registration and coffee [Zaal Vos]  
**9h00-9h30** Opening and words of welcome by the presidents of the Africa Platform and co-organisers [Zaal De Blauwe Vogel]  
**9h30-11h00** Individual Oral Presentations - Session One

<b>Session 1A</b> Chair: Ilse Ruysen [Zaal De Blauwe Vogel]		<b>Session 1B</b> <b>ANSER Panel - Strengthening SRHR in Africa amid climate change: A review of research and innovative approaches</b> Chairs: Emilie Peeters & Céline Delacroix [Zaal Haas]	
<b>9h30</b>	<b>Marwa Neji</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Climate change inducing female migration: An empirical study of the Tunisian case		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Emilie Peeters</b> (UGent/ANSER) Introduction</li> </ul>
<b>9h45</b>	<b>Pascalina Munyewende et al</b> (University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa) online Perceptions of the effects of heat exposure on healthcare worker well-being, performance, and quality of care, in two healthcare facilities in Tshwane, South Africa		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Malachi Ochieng Arunda</b> (Karolinska Institutet) Climate change and sexual and reproductive health and rights research in low-income and middle-income countries: a scoping review</li> </ul>
<b>10h00</b>	<b>Tomiwa Fapohunda &amp; Nancy Stiegler</b> (University of the Western Cape, South Africa) online The impact of climate change on gender-based violence and gender equity		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Amref International University</b> The intersection of climate change and adolescent sexual and reproductive health</li> </ul>
<b>10h15</b>	<b>Maria Martin de Almagro Iniesta</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Gendering climate-related security risks in Eastern DRC: social cohesion, embodied knowledges and resilience practices		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Céline Delacroix</b> (FP Earth Project) Women's Reproductive Rights intersect with environmental issues</li> <li>• <b>Regenerate</b> Showcase the work of an initiative aiming to bridge health and climate in Africa</li> </ul>
<b>10h30</b>	<b>Suzie Imelda Foudjo</b> (University of Yaoundé II, Cameroon) & <b>Joseph Keneck-Massil</b> (University of Yaoundé II, Cameroon & University of Versailles, France) online Climate vulnerability and child health outcomes in developing countries: Do women's political empowerment and female education make the difference?		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Lou Compernelle</b> (OASIS) Showcase the work of an initiative aiming to bridge health and climate in Africa</li> <li>• <b>Brian Sibanda</b> (CeSHHAR &amp; UGent) Impact of heat on wellbeing of health workers and QoC in Zimbabwe (HIGH Horizons)</li> </ul>
<b>10h45</b>	Discussion		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>International Medical Corps</b> Innovative climate change integration and adaptation projects for resilient community health and health systems in humanitarian settings</li> <li>• <b>Marleen Temmerman</b> (Aga Khan University) ICPD+30, climate change and Africa</li> <li>• Q&amp;A</li> </ul>

**11h00-11h30** Coffee break and showcasing of the academic posters [Zaal Vos]

**11h30-12h30** Keynote lecture by Houriiyah Tegally (Centre for Epidemic Response and Innovation (CERI) at Stellenbosch University, South Africa) & Guy Midgley (Director of the School for Climate Studies and the Center for Invasion Biology, Stellenbosch University, South Africa): Human/ecological perspectives on climate change impacts, adaptation, and infectious diseases in Africa [Zaal De Blauwe Vogel]

**12h30-14h00** Lunch break [Krook café – ground floor]

**13h00-14h00** Africa Forum – General Assembly of the Africa Platform (for AUGent staff) [Zaal Haas]

**14h00-15h30** Individual Oral Presentations - Session Two

<b>Session 2A</b> Chair: Ilse Derluyn [Zaal De Blauwe Vogel]		<b>Session 2B</b> Chair: Karen Büscher [Zaal Haas]	
<b>14h00</b>	<b>Taofeekat O. Adigun &amp; Selamawit E. Yeromaw</b> (University of Sheffield, UK) online When borders become barriers: Improving healthcare access for migrants in Africa	<b>Triantafyllos Gkaragkanis</b> (Babeş-Bolyai University, Romania & CY Cergy Paris Université, France) Through the lense of international media: A critical analysis of climate migration discourse in Africa	
<b>14h15</b>	<b>Beatrice Muhu &amp; Robert Mash</b> (Stellenbosch University, South Africa) The impact of climate change on children in primary health care in Isiolo County, Northern Kenya	<b>Oumaima Ramdani</b> (Mohammed V University, Morocco) online Migrants' right to health in Morocco: will and reality	
<b>14h30</b>	<b>Belayneh Fentahun Shibesh</b> (University of Oviedo, Spain) & <b>Nidhi Nagabhatla</b> (UN University Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies, UNU-CRIS, Belgium) online Promoting mental health and psychosocial support (mainstream and migrant communities) - Towards building climate resilience	<b>Sara Buekens</b> (Université de Gand, Belgique & Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgique) in French Migration et écologie dans l'œuvre d'In Koli Jean Bofane	
<b>14h45</b>	<b>Christian Lueme Lokotola et al</b> (Stellenbosch University, South Africa) online Migration and primary health care in sub-Saharan Africa: A scoping review	<b>Lehasa Moloi</b> (University of South Africa, South Africa) online Rethinking the politics of knowledge production for sustainable futures and healing from coloniality of nature: An afrocentric perspective	
<b>15h00</b>	<b>Laetus Lategan</b> (Central University of Technology, South Africa) online One nexus in service of another? The interplay between the climate-migration-health nexus and the planetary health, climate, and care ethics nexus	<b>Wambua Muindi</b> (University of Nairobi, Kenya) Perspectives from literature: Reading intersectionality and climate justice in (East) Africa in Wangari Maathai's Unbowed	
<b>15h15</b>	Discussion	<b>Clement Oteng</b> (University of Cape Coast, Ghana) online Intersectionality and clean energy transition among the aged in Ghana: An analysis of access and use	

**15h30-16h00** Coffee Break and showcasing of the academic posters [Zaal Vos]

**16h00-17h30** Individual Oral Presentations - Session Three

<b>Session 3A</b> Chair: Sorana Toma [Zaal De Blauwe Vogel]		<b>Session 3B</b> Chair: Amaury Frankl [Zaal Haas]	
<b>16h00</b>	<b>Nicolás Caso</b> (Ghent University, Belgium & UN University Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies, UNU-CRIS, Belgium) Thwarted aspirations: the impact of involuntary immobility on subjective well-being among young adults in Asia and Africa	<b>Bert Van Schaeybroeck et al</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Investigating rainfall and rainfall extremes in Ethiopia using high-resolution climate models	
<b>16h15</b>	<b>Fredrick Okaka</b> (Moi University, Kenya) Impact of climate change-induced migration on the health and well-being of pastoralist migrant communities in Kenya	<b>Juliet Nwakaego Nwachukwu &amp; Chux Gervase Iwu</b> (University of the Western Cape, South Africa) online The effect of climate change induced flooding in Durban on its residents	
<b>16h30</b>	<b>Fatoumata Sawo</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Navigating the 'Back Way': Understanding young Gambians' irregular migration in the face of societal pressures	<b>Adugnaw Birhanu Zegeye et al</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Spatio-temporal groundwater recharge estimation of Mount Guna, Northwest Ethiopia: Implications on climate and migration challenges	
<b>16h45</b>	<b>Moses Mukasa et al</b> (Ghent University, Belgium & Makerere University, Uganda) Suicidal ideation and suicidal behaviours: Their risk factors, explanatory models and coping strategies among refugees in humanitarian settings in Northern Uganda	<b>Alemu Yenehun Beyene et al</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Groundwater recharge and water table response to seasonal variability in diverse physiographic settings: The case of a semi-humid river catchment, northwestern highlands of Ethiopia	
<b>17h00</b>	<b>Getnet Tesfaw Demsie</b> (Wollo University, Ethiopia) Parental migration and behavioral outcomes of children left behind in Ethiopia	<b>Kaleab Adhena Abera et al</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Natural and anthropogenic influences on groundwater resources of Mekelle city, North Ethiopia	
<b>17h15</b>	Discussion	Discussion	

**19h30-21h00** Ghent University Nelson Mandela Lecture, with Gulshan Khan and Adriaan van Dis, moderated by journalist Bart Luirink – with opening by UGent vicerector Mieke Van Herreweghe [Zaal De Blauwe Vogel]

**21h00-23h00** Launch of Gulshan Khan's picture exhibition Strength and Resilience in the Western Cape + reception [Agora De Krook – ground floor]

## FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2024

### 9h00-11h00 Individual Oral Presentations - Session Four

	<b>Session 4A</b> Chairs: Freke Van Damme & Ivan Lizaga [Zaal De Blauwe Vogel]	<b>Session 4B</b> Chair: Charlotte Scheerens [Zaal Haas]
9h00	<b>Pascal Boeckx et al</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) The UGent Congo Basin forest Centre of Excellence: Integrated ecosystem research in the heart of the Congo basin	<b>Kwinten Van Weverberg et al</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) A CLEAR vision about the climate-migration-health nexus: Introducing climate research at the UGent Department of Geography
9h15	<b>Pauline Hicter et al</b> (Royal Museum for Central Africa, Belgium & Ghent University, Belgium) The TREE4FLUX Project: Monitoring woody productivity and respiration to track Congo Basin Forest Carbon Dynamics	<b>Gladys Chelagat Biwott</b> (Moi University, Kenya) Prevalence of floods and landslides and their impact on human settlements in Elgeyo Marakwet County, Kenya
9h30	<b>Nestor Kashikija Luambua</b> (University of Kisangani, DRC & Ghent University, Belgium) in French Light-demanding canopy tree species are not indicators of past human disturbance in the Yangambi rainforest (Democratic Republic of the Congo)	<b>Femke Maes et al</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Household drinking water treatments on trial: an RCT in Western Uganda
9h45	<b>William Verbiest et al</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Synthesis of national carbon fluxes of African rainforest countries	<b>Sithabile Hlahla et al</b> (University of Cape Town, South Africa) The climate, water and migration nexus: the impact of climate change and water security on migration trends and health in southern Africa
10h00	<b>Brice Yannick Djiofack et al</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Protecting an artificial savanna as a nature-based solution for restoring carbon and biodiversity in the Democratic Republic of the Congo	<b>Komlan Olakossan Gbegnon</b> (Université de Kara, Togo) online – in French Effet de la vulnérabilité du système sanitaire au changement climatique sur la migration: une évidence des économies de l'Afrique Subsaharienne
10h15	<b>Judith Awacorach</b> (Gulu University, Uganda) & <b>Quentin Gausset</b> (Copenhagen University, Denmark) Assessing the competitiveness of green charcoal energy as an alternative source of cooking fuel in Uganda	<b>Kikè Yra Fonton</b> (Ghent University, Belgium & Université Gaston Berger, Senegal) & <b>Ilse Ruysen</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) online West African fishing communities' mobility response to climate anomalies
10h30	<b>Alain Kadorho et al</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Untangling forest history in the Central Congo basin through fossil charcoal analysis	<b>Alix Debray et al</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Irrigation as a mitigator for migration intentions following drought in West Africa
10h45	Discussion	Discussion

**11h00-11h30** Coffee Break and showcasing of the academic posters [Zaal Vos]

**11h30-12h30** Keynote lecture by Leander Kandilige (Centre for Migration Studies, University of Ghana, Ghana): Emerging realities on the climate-migration-health debate in Africa [Zaal De Blauwe Vogel]

**12h30-13h30** Lunch Break [Krook café – ground floor]

**13h30-15h30** Individual Oral Presentations - Session Five

<b>Session 5A</b> Chair: Karen Büscher [Zaal De Blauwe Vogel]		<b>Session 5B</b> Chair: Amaury Frankl [Zaal Haas]	
<b>13h30</b>	<b>Ivan Lizaga et al</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Landscapes of conflict: Analyzing environmental and geophysical impacts in the Lake Kivu region		<b>Aschalew Abeje</b> (Bahir Dar University, Ethiopia) online Causes and effects of rural-urban migration in Ethiopia: Child migration from Wag Hemra Zone under the spotlight
<b>13h45</b>	<b>Chamunorwa Huni</b> (University of the Western Cape, South Africa) online Integrating climate change adaptation and migration management strategies in Nyanga district-ward 15 and 16, Zimbabwe		<b>Daniel Nkosinathi Mlambo</b> (Tshwane University of Technology, South Africa) Rural-urban migration enigma in South Africa: Key trends and issues
<b>14h00</b>	<b>Elizaveta Barabanova et al</b> (University of Milan, Italy) Climate change and conflict: Using space technologies to build resilience		<b>Tadie Degie Yigzaw</b> (Bahir Dar University, Ethiopia) online Sudanese refugees in Ethiopia's Benishangul Gumuz Region: Vitalities and pitfalls
<b>14h15</b>	<b>Chibuzor Charles Ubah &amp; Nidhi Nagabhatla</b> (UN University Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies, UNU-CRIS, Belgium & Ghent University, Belgium) Malabo Declaration as a regional food security agenda for mainstream and migrant communities in Africa		<b>Ann-Christine Link et al</b> (Philipps-Universität Marburg, Germany & United Nations University Institute for Environment and Human Security, Germany) The tail end of migration: Assessing the climate resilience of migrant households in East Africa
<b>14h30</b>	<b>Solomon Abebe Addis</b> (Joint Labour Migration Programme, ILO - Addis Abeba, Ethiopia) online Policy framing in the context of climate-influenced migration and mobility		<b>Christian Ndzie Omgba &amp; Babacar Sene</b> (Université Cheikh Anta Diop, Senegal) online – in French Impact de l'interaction transferts de fonds des migrants et changements climatiques sur la production agricole en Afrique subsaharienne
<b>14h45</b>	<b>Jean-Paul Nizigiyimana</b> (Independent researcher, Burundi) & <b>Tomas Van Acker</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Loss and damage: Insights from the Ruzizi Plain, Burundi		<b>Khaoula Charrek et al</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) Embracing interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary approaches to address climate change. Case study: Kairouan region Tunisia
<b>15h00</b>	<b>Nguweneza Espoir B. Rwakira</b> (ISP Bukavu, RDC) online – in French Regards croisés sur la gouvernance climatique dans la Région des Grands Lacs: Défis, perspectives et approche pédagogique		<b>Tsegaye Eskezia Almaw</b> (Bahir Dar University, Ethiopia) online Land use change and the socio economic challenges of rural people in the case of Dembecha Zuria Woreda, West Gojam Zone, Amhara, Ethiopia
<b>15h15</b>	Discussion		Discussion

**15h30-16h00** Coffee Break and showcasing of the academic posters [Zaal Vos]

**16h00-17h30** Documentary screening: Sculpting this Earth - <https://sculptingthisearthfilm.com/> [IPEM film lab]

**17h30-18h00** Closing [IPEM film lab]