

## **UN-REDD Programme – Civil Society Representative Nomination Form**

*Please limit response length to two pages. Nominations must be submitted to [csoselection@un-redd.org](mailto:csoselection@un-redd.org) by Friday, 11 September 2009. Self-nominations are accepted.*

1. Name of the candidate: BABAGANA
  
2. Name of organization or network: KANURI DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION  
([http://www.unodc.org/ngo/showSingleDetailed.do?req\\_org\\_uid=16999](http://www.unodc.org/ngo/showSingleDetailed.do?req_org_uid=16999) )
  
3. Title (if applicable): MR
  
4. Country: NIGERIA
  
5. Language(s) spoken: ENGLISH, HAUSA, SHUWA ARAB, BROKEN ENGLISH AND KANURI.
  
6. Please describe the primary interests and functions of the organization and community/constituency that the candidate represents and what countries the organization is active in.

My organization is an organization committed to aiding, especially through education, the plight of the Kanuri indigenous peoples of Africa. It is active in finding solutions to climate change, deforestation, corruption, oppression, desertification and environmental degradation.

Our organization is active within the Kanuri indigenous community's territories across Nigeria, Cameroon, Niger and Chad.

7. Describe briefly the organization's experience gathering and representing the diverse viewpoints of a range of communities or organizations, and disseminating and coordinating information and communications among a network of communities or organizations.

As an indigenous organization we have been working for more than a decade on this issue and similar issues, because we speak in diverse native languages of the African communities it was very easy for us in gathering and representing the diverse viewpoints of a range of communities in the continent.

So far we are members of multi many national organizations who help disseminating and coordinating information and communications among a wider networks net works such as the Open Forum on Participatory Geographic Information Systems and Technologies, International Directory of Environmental Justice Researchers, Life Cycle Assessment Initiative, WAMIP, CBD Alliance, Africa Green network and many others.

8. Describe briefly your organization's background and experience with multilateral agency programs, social and environmental issues related to forests, and the role of forests in response to climate change, including REDD.

My organization is a non governmental and not a profit making indigenous people's organization working on indigenous issues, climate, environment, human right issues as well as desertification.

We have in the past been represented in relevant programs as listed below;

1. THE CLIMATE CHANGE IN NORTHERN NIGERIA MEETING ORGANISED BY THE BRITISH COUNCIL, DFID AND THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT IN KANO STATE, NIGERIA 7TH MAY, 2009.
2. CLIMATE AND RENEWABLE ENERGY WEEK IN LOME, TOGO 11-15 FEBRUARY, 2009.
3. THE INTERNATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES EXPERT CONSULTATIVE MEETING ON ACCESS AND BENEFIT SHARING ORGANISED BY THE UNITED NATION'S CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY MONTREAL, CANADA 19TH-21ST SEPTEMBER, 2007.

We have been advocating against deforestation within the Sahel region which is the most vulnerable region in Africa to climate change while working on a forestation projects through tree planting, because the Sahel region has the following characteristics very high level of poverty of less than 75 cent (USD) per person per day ,very low literacy level of 32.51 per cent, it is bordering the Sahara desert which is the largest desert in Africa and yet it has no alternative sources of energy for its community apart from the fire wood which is the product derived from the incessant deforestation business going on in the region while it is a standing fact that Deforestation accounts for about 18 percent of the global greenhouse gas emissions which is even larger than the entire global transportation sector. So without REDD, the widely endorsed goal of climate stabilization at a maximum 2°C temperature increase will never be reached.

In view of the above coupled

9. Describe the financial, technical and/or advisory arrangements your organization has with the UN-REDD Programme, as well as the governments of the UN-REDD pilot countries, NGOs, or private sector organizations as they pertain to the UN-REDD process.

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