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Monday,  
2 June 2025



Time	Session Title	Session Description	Speakers
08:00 – 08:45  Main Hall	<b>Arrival &amp; Registration</b>	Arrival of guests <b>Secretariat</b>	<b>Master of Ceremony:</b> Taji Liundi  <b>Entertainment:</b> Tanzania Bora Initiative
09:00 – 09:45  Main Hall	<b>Opening Ceremony</b>	CSO Week 2025 will officially begin with a high-level Opening Ceremony that sets the tone for a week of dialogue, learning, and collaboration. The event will feature welcoming remarks, keynote addresses from delegates, including government leaders, private sector representatives and development partners, and reflections on the role of civil society in shaping Tanzania’s future under Vision 2050.  <b>CSO Week Steering Committee</b>	<b>Speakers:</b> Justice Rutenge, Executive Director, Foundation for Civil Society CPA Mercy Sila, Board Chair, Foundation for Civil Society Nesia Mahenge, Country Director, CBM International Zuweina Farah, External Relations and Vodacom Foundation Director Doreen Dominic, Head of Public Sector, Stanbic Bank Dr Zabdiel Kimambo, Governance Advisor, British High Commission Neema Bwaira, Manager for Civil Society, European Union



09:45 – 11:00 Main Hall	<b>Opening Plenary: Civil Society at a Crossroads?</b>	<p>This high-level keynote will open CSO Week 2025 with a forward-looking conversation on the role of culture and human capital in realizing Tanzania’s Vision 2050. The session will reflect on how values, education, skills, and national identity shape the country’s long-term development trajectory. It will also explore the investments and partnerships needed to nurture an empowered, ethical, and capable citizenry prepared to drive inclusive and sustainable progress.</p> <p><b>FCS and CSOs Vision 2050 Task Force</b></p>	<p><b>Scene Setter:</b> Dr. Stigmata Tenga, President, FCS</p> <p><b>Facilitator:</b> Justice Rutenge, Executive Director, FCS</p> <p><b>Discussants:</b> TBD</p>
<b>11:00–11:30 Health Break</b>			
11:30 – 12:30 Main Hall	<b>The Core Value-Proposition of Civil Society: Identity, Purpose and Relevance</b>	<p>This session will seek to reaffirm the core value-proposition of civil society in a changing geopolitical landscape. The presenter will revisit assumptions about identity, purpose and relevance and the panel will discuss whether these assumptions are still relevant in today’s and tomorrow’s world. The panel discussion will aim to share experience on how civil society ecosystems in Africa are responding, adapting and evolving to survive and thrive in a changing world.</p> <p><b>Wajibika Programme, LHRC</b></p>	<p><b>Keynote Speech:</b> Dr. Nikiwe Kaunda, Operations Manager, Southern Africa Trust</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Japheth Makongo, Ubunifu Associates</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Rachel Gondo, Accountability Systems Consultant Fulgence Massawe, Acting Executive Director, LHRC</p>

12:30 – 13:30 Main Hall	<b>Democratization: Youth and Women in Decision Making Towards 2030</b>	Participants will explore youth leadership and democratic participation in Tanzania, examining the invisible infrastructure of national progress democratic sensibility. Through data-driven discussion, including 2020 voter turnout trends, the session will unpack barriers to youth engagement in elections and governance and identify strategies to foster meaningful participation and leadership.  <b>Action Aid, TBI, Restless Development</b>	<b>Moderator:</b> Fredy Mtei, Project Officer, Kijana Wajibika, Restless Development  <b>Speakers:</b> Edson Hamis, Youth, Makingi Village Chair, Kasulu, Kigoma Ocheck Msuva, Founder and Executive Director, Bridge for Change Arif Fazel, Youth Coordinator, Action Aid Ismail Biro, Deputy Director, Tanzania Bora Initiative Neema Mgendi, Executive Director- Okoa New Generation
<b>13:30 – 14:30 Lunch &amp; Learn: An AI Agent for managing funding applications at scale   Kipimo Solutions</b>			
14:30 – 15:00 Main Hall	<b>Swap Overcoming Barriers to Equity in Economic Growth with Keynote Speech on Intelligence Economy.</b>	This keynote address will explore the future of Tanzania's economy in the age of intelligence, where data, digital infrastructure, and innovation drive inclusive growth.	<b>Speaker:</b> Zuweina Farah, External Affairs and Vodacom Tanzania Foundation Director
15:00 – 15:30 Main Hall	<b>Overcoming Barriers to Equity in Economic Growth</b>	This session will explore structural barriers to equity in Tanzania's economy and showcases interdisciplinary solutions through dialogue among civil society and business leaders.  <b>TradeMark Africa, Vodacom Tanzania, Stanbic Tanzania</b>	<b>Moderator:</b> Cynthia Bavo, Head of Program Quality & Learning, FCS  <b>Speakers:</b> Zuweina Farah, External Affairs and Vodacom Tanzania Foundation Director Nesia Mahenge, Country Director, CBM International



15:30 – 16:00  Main Hall	<b>Keynote: Tanzania’s Economy in the Age of Intelligence</b>	<p>This keynote address will explore the future of Tanzania’s economy in the age of intelligence, where data, digital infrastructure, and innovation drive inclusive growth. The session will unpack opportunities for civil society to engage in shaping a tech-driven, people-centered economy aligned with Vision 2050.</p> <p><b>Vodacom Tanzania</b></p>	<b>Speaker:</b> Zuweina Farah, External Affairs and Vodacom Tanzania Foundation Director
16:00 – 17:00 Main Hall	<b>Strategy Clarity as the Compass in Challenging Times</b>	<p>In the face of multiple crises, this interactive session by Twaweza invites civil society actors to pause, reflect, and reconnect with their core purpose. Through guided exercises and peer dialogue, participants will explore strategic clarity—why we do what we do, whether it’s working, and how to stay aligned with our values amid uncertainty.</p> <p><b>Twaweza</b></p>	<p><b>Speakers:</b> Dr. Baruani Mshale, Director of Learning and Strategy, Twaweza Entesh Melaisho, Coordinator, Governance, Resource Development and Foresight, Twaweza</p>



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**02** Tuesday,  
**3 June 2025**

Time	Session Title	Session Description	Speakers
08:00 – 08:45 📍 Tembo	<b>Clinic: Digital Tools for Monitoring and Evaluation</b>	<p>This clinic will showcase a tailored digital solution designed to simplify data collection and enhance real-time monitoring and evaluation. Participants will get a hands-on look at how the software supports CSOs in tracking progress, generating insights, and improving program effectiveness.</p> <p><b>Meltores</b></p>	<p><b>Presenter:</b> Joyce Msigwa, Co-Founder &amp; Managing Director of Meltores Professional</p>
09:00 – 10:00 📍 Main Hall	<b>Money, Power and Agency in Development Cooperation: A Conversation with Development Partners</b>	<p>This session will facilitate a candid conversation with development partners on power dynamics, financing flows, and agency in development cooperation. It will include a presentation of the OECD DAC recommendations on enabling locally led development, followed by a dialogue on how to move from intent to action. Participants will explore what it takes to center local actors in decision-making, funding, and accountability, and co-develop practical ideas for shifting the development paradigm in Tanzania.</p> <p><b>FCS, DP GWG</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Justice Rutenge, Executive Director, FCS</p> <p><b>Presenter:</b> Viveka Carlestam, Senior Programme Manager, Democratic Governance and Human Rights, Embassy of Sweden</p>

10:00 – 11:00  Main Hall	<b>Alternative Approaches to Building Resilient Institutions and Movements</b>	<p>This session will showcase locally-led development in practice starting off with a panel conversation on Aid Localization with a local lens. It will follow with a presentation and showcase of successful stories of alternative funding models from Change the Game Academy program. The session will conclude with a Q&amp;A on alternative models that CSOs want to learn more about.</p> <p><b>Financial Resilience Resource Hub EA, Change the Game Academy, APN</b></p>	<p><b>Panel Session</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Cynthia Bavo, Head of Program Quality and Learning, FCS &amp; Financial Resilience Resource Hub (EA)</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b>  Dr. Stigmata Tenga, Executive Director, APN  Lillian Tamale, CivFund representing the Financial Resilience Resource Hub (EA)</p> <p><b>Alternative Models Successful Stories</b></p> <p><b>Overview Presenter:</b> Edna Chilimo, Civic Space Program Lead, FCS</p> <p><b>Success stories:</b> Change the Game Academy partners</p>
10:00 – 11:00  Tembo	<b>Inclusive Insurance: Closing the Protection Gap for Groups and Emerging Customers</b>	<p>This session, led by NMB’s Bancassurance Unit, will explore inclusive insurance models that close the protection gap for underserved groups and emerging customer segments in Tanzania.</p> <p><b>NMB</b></p>	<p><b>Presenter:</b>  Borondo Chacha, Senior Manager Life &amp; Medical Insurance, NMB Banc Assurance Unit</p>



10:00 – 11:00 📍 Faru	<b>Measuring Organizational Resilience</b>	<p>This session participants will explore practical approaches to building resilient institutions including (CSOs) by combining insights from TBI on resilience barriers, Twaweza on strategy clarity, and Busara on resilience measurement tools and organizational behavioral change. Participants will learn how to assess and overcome resilience barriers, develop clear strategies, and apply behavioral science to improve organizational practices</p> <p><b>Busara, TBI, Twaweza</b></p>	<p><b>Moderators:</b> Dr. Baruani Mshale, Director of Learning and Strategy, Twaweza East Africa</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Abella Bateyunga, Founder and CEO, Tanzania Bora Initiative (TBI) Brenda Ogutu, Associate Engagement Director, Twaweza East Africa</p> <p>Ismail Biro, Deputy Director, Tanzania Bora Initiative (TBI) Lydia Christian, Project Associate Consultant, Busara</p>
<b>11:00 – 11:30 Health Break</b>			
11:30 – 12:30 📍 Tembo	<b>Shaping Tanzania's Education Future: Pay, Skills and Digital Inclusion for Teachers and Learners.</b>	<p>This session will explore how Vodacom is shaping Tanzania's education future.</p> <p><b>Vodacom</b></p>	<b>Vodacom Tanzania</b>
11:30 – 12:30 📍 Main Hall	<b>Fund the Youth: Unlocking Sustainable Financing for Youth-Led Organizations in Tanzania</b>	<p>This session will explore challenges facing youth-led organizations, share successful funding models, and co-create ideas for sustainable financing. It aims to spark collaboration, policy influence, and practical strategies to strengthen youth-led development.</p> <p><b>Tanzania Bora Initiative (TBI)</b></p>	<p><b>Speakers:</b> Masoud Kipanya, Political Cartoonist, Illustrator, Animator, Radio/TV Producer/Presenter Neema Bwaira, Manager for Civil Society, European Union Delegation to Tanzania</p>

11:30 – 12:30 Faru	<b>An Investment Guide for CSOs</b>	<p>This session will introduce practical tools and guidance to help civil society organizations think strategically about investing for long-term sustainability.</p> <p><b>Stanbic</b></p>	<p><b>Speaker:</b> Sara Mkiramweni, Vice President, DCM and Distribution, Stanbic Bank Tanzania</p>
12:30 – 13:30 Main Hall	<b>Partnership for Anti-money laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism (AML/CFT)</b>	<p>This session will explore the role of civil society in addressing illicit financial flows (IFFs) through Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and Countering the Financing of Terrorism (CFT) efforts.</p> <p><b>SecFin-GIZ</b></p>	<p><b>Speakers:</b> Emmanuel Kihampa, Registrar of Societies Viola Ocharo, Deputy Regional Coordinator, SecFin Africa, Eastern Hub Ms. Neema Makando, Advisor, Gender Equality and CSO Inclusion, SecFin Africa Mr. Gilbert Nyombi, Assistant Commissioner, Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) Tanzania</p>
12:30 – 13:30 Tembo	<b>Surviving the Shift: USAID Funding Cuts and their Impact on Tanzanians CSOs</b>	<p>This session will present and validate findings from a recent study examining the impact of USAID funding cuts on Tanzanian civil society organizations. Participants will engage with key data and testimonies that highlight how these cuts have affected programming, staffing, and community outreach. The discussion will also explore emerging strategies for resilience, alternative funding pathways, and the broader implications for donor-CSO relationships in Tanzania.</p> <p><b>THRDC, Save the Children</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Baitani Mujuni, Zanzibar National Coordinator, THRDC</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Lisa Kagaruki, Head of Members Affairs and General Public Engagement, THRDC Onesmo Olengurumwa, National Coordinator, THRDC Aisha Al-Alawi, Save the Children</p>

12:30 – 13:30 Faru	<b>Rethinking Resilience: Climate Policies and Strategies in EAC</b>	<p>This session will provide a comprehensive analysis of EAC key climate change policies and strategies. It will assess the alignment, effectiveness, and implementation of frameworks such as the Climate Change Strategy (2021–2026), NDCs, the Environmental Management Act, and climate finance mechanisms. The dialogue aims to strengthen civic engagement, policy coherence, and accountability for a more climate-resilient future.</p> <p><b>Action Aid</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Sheila Apiny, Regional Climate Advisor &amp; Climate Scientist, ActionAid</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Happy Itros Sanga, Women and Climate Engagement Coordinator, ActionAid Nyendo Kinyonga, Regional Manager, TIF Project, ActionAid</p>
<b>13:30 – 14:30 Lunch &amp; Learn: Women in Leadership</b>			
14:30 – 16:00 Main Hall	<b>Beyond the Buzz: Aligning CSOs' work with Private Sector's ESG reporting</b>	<p>This session will feature a presentation of findings from a recent study by FCS on the intersection between civil society work and private sector's ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) priorities. Participants will explore how CSOs and businesses can create shared value through collaboration, what barriers hinder alignment, and how to overcome them. The discussion will also delve into ESG impact measurement frameworks and examine how both sectors can leverage these tools to strengthen accountability, influence, and impact.</p> <p><b>FCS, Sustainable Africa, Kipimo Solutions, PwC, ACCA</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Gabriel Bundala, Head of Finance and Operations, FCS</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Richard Hacking, CEO, Kipimo Solutions Howary Kharbush, Associate Director, PwC Jenard Lazaro, Country Manager, ACCA</p>

14:30 – 16:00 📍 Tembo	<b>Local CSOs’ Pathways to Success: Innovative Solutions for Sustainable Development</b>	<p>This session will explore how local CSOs, especially youth-led organizations, can drive impactful and sustainable innovative solutions as part of localization efforts. This session will draw insights from the baseline study and gender analysis of the Vijana Plus project and share experiences in youth driven leadership and organizational capacity development that enhance local initiatives to remain relevant and sustainable.</p> <p><b>Save the Children, THRDC</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Arafat Lesheve, Save the Children Tanzania</p> <p><b>Presenters:</b> John Kalage, Chair, DRMS Mariana Kavishe, Save the Children Tanzania</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Onesmo Olengurumwa, National Coordinator, THRDC Barnabas Kaniki, Child Rights and Governance Technical Specialist, Save the Children Neema Bwaira, Manager for Civil Society, European Union Delegation in Tanzania Kapwani Kavenuke, EU Youth Sounding Board</p>
16:00 – 17:00 📍 Main Hall	<b>Beyond Donor Dependency: Rethinking Sustainability Models for CSO Resilience in Access to Justice</b>	<p>This session will examine the challenges of donor dependency in legal aid services by CSOs and explore sustainable, context-specific models to ensure long-term access to justice. It will discuss alternatives like Legal Aid Funds, public-private partnerships, state support, and community financing. Drawing on global best practices, the session aims to develop practical recommendations to strengthen CSO resilience and financial independence.</p> <p><b>LSF, LHRC, Care International</b></p>	<p><b>Speakers:</b> Flora Henry Mpesha, Monitoring and Evaluation Officer, Taswira ya Haki Paralegal Lilian Mkusa, Senior Project Manager, CARE Tanzania Linus Kahendaguza, President’s Office, TAMISEMI</p>



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**03** Wednesday,  
4 June 2025



Time	Session Title	Session Description
09:00 – 13:30 📍 Longido	<b>Community Immersive Experience in Longido: Navigating Polycrisis</b>	<p>This immersive field session invites participants to step into the lived realities of Longido, where communities face intersecting challenges—from climate shocks and land conflicts to shifting political and economic dynamics. Guided by curiosity and humility, participants will observe how residents understand and respond to overlapping crises. Framed by a pre-brief and reflective debrief, this experience offers a powerful opportunity to explore resilience, resistance, and adaptation beyond theory, through listening, presence, and learning directly from those at the frontline of change.</p> <p><b>Twaweza</b></p>
09:00 – 13:30 📍 Karatu	<b>Visit to Karatu: Financial Inclusion and Literacy</b>	<p>This field session will showcase community-driven financial literacy efforts and inclusive banking models.</p> <p><b>Stanbic</b></p>
09:00 – 13:30 📍 MS TCDC	<b>Niambie Radio Show Recording: What it Takes to Build Youth Agency</b>	<p>This visit will explore how young people can move from passive observers to active participants in shaping the future of their communities and the nation.</p> <p><b>BBC Media Action, FCS</b></p>
09:00 – 13:30 📍 Corridor Springs Hotel	<b>TELS Bootcamp: Digital &amp; Financial Readiness for Women Entrepreneurs</b>	<p>In this visit, participants will engage with the TELS Bootcamp, an offsite training bringing together 400 women entrepreneurs for hands-on sessions in digital and financial readiness, covering mobile money, bookkeeping, online selling, compliance, and storytelling for business.</p> <p><b>Vodacom Tanzania</b></p>



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**04** Thursday,  
**5 June 2025**



Time	Session Title	Session Description	Speakers
08:00 – 08:45 a Tembo	<b>Clinic: Film Showcase: Resilience, Resistance, and Civic Action</b>	<p>This session will showcase real-life stories of resilience, resistance, and civic action drawn from communities across Tanzania. Attendees will engage in facilitated dialogues exploring how visual storytelling can challenge harmful norms, amplify marginalized voices, and catalyze social and policy change.</p> <p><b>Media for Development and Advocacy (MEDEA)</b></p>	<p><b>Speakers:</b> Sheilla Kipuyo, MEDEA Hassan Kiyungi, MEDEA</p>
09:00 – 10:00 a Main Hall	<b>Reimagining Media as a Catalyst for Social Change and Public Good in Tanzania</b>	<p>Participants will explore how ethical, inclusive media can drive social change and support civil society in delivering public good. Drawing on examples from BBC Media Action and CSO partners like LHRC, the session will highlight what works, what doesn't, and why; sharing practical insights, challenges, and success stories.</p> <p><b>BBC Media Action, Jamii Africa, LHRC, TBI</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Marygoreth Richard, Head of Production, BBC Media Action</p> <p><b>Speaker:</b> Deogratus Bwire, Director of Empowerment and Human Rights Responses, LHRC Ziada Seukindo, Programme Manager, Jamii Africa Judith Mwombeki, Senior Research Officer, BBC Media Action Ismail Biro, Deputy Director, Tanzania Bora Initiative (TBI)</p>



09:00 – 10:00 <b>q</b> Tembo	<b>Youth and Opportunity</b>	<p>This will be an interactive session conducted as a ‘Fish Bowl’ Exercise to deliberate on “What can be done now to ensure that future generations are able to improve their own livelihoods in tomorrow’s world?” It will be an interactive data-driven deliberation with the audience. Participants will engage with evidence and data, while aiming to contribute to reflections, questions, actionable ideas and/or collaborations.</p> <p><b>Wajibika</b></p>	<b>Moderator:</b> Japheth Makongo, Ubunifu Associates
09:00 – 10:00 <b>q</b> Faru	<b>How Civil Society Can Reimagine Tax and Public Goods</b>	<p>As governments strive to deliver on development promises, the equitable mobilization and allocation of domestic resources, especially through taxation, has never been more critical. This session explores the nexus between taxation and the delivery of public goods, highlighting how civil society can play a central role in reshaping fiscal policy</p> <p><b>Jadili</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Evelyn Manu, Director, Coretax Africa &amp; Managing Partner, Jadili</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Semkae Kilonzo, Executive Director, Policy Forum Gabriel Bundala, Head of Finance and Operations, FCS</p>
10:00 – 11:00 <b>q</b> Main Hall	<b>From Policy to Progress: Reintegrating Teenage Mothers into Education system in Tanzania</b>	<p>HakiElimu’s session at this year’s CSO Week, themed “Pathways to Progress,” will delve into the paradox of re-integrating teenage mothers into Tanzania’s formal secondary education system. Grounded in findings from its 2024 study, “The Experience of the Implementation of Reintegrating Teenage Mothers into Formal Secondary School in Tanzania,” the session will offer an in-depth examination of the lived realities of teenage mothers navigating pregnancy, motherhood, and the school environment.</p> <p><b>HakiElimu</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Makumba Mwemezi, Program Manager, Research, Innovation and Policy Analysis, Haki Elimu</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Dr. Wilberforce Meena, Technical Education Advisor, HakiElimu Nuria Mshare, Gender and Development Expert HakiElimu Nasra Kibukila, Head of Program, TENMET Florence Ngari, Researcher, HakiElimu</p>

10:00 – 11:00 📍 Faru	<b>Insights and Opportunities from the Improved O&amp;OD</b>	Co-hosted by Twaweza and TAMISEMI, this interactive session explores how CSOs can engage with Tanzania’s improved O&OD model to support locally led development. Participants will examine real-world applications, identify opportunities for collaboration, and reflect on how to strengthen local participation and accountability for deeper grassroots impact.  <b>Twaweza</b>	<b>Speakers:</b> Christopher Kafunga, TAMISEMI James Kimambo, TAMISEMI  <b>Moderator:</b> Richard Temu, Senior Program Officer, Twaweza Annastazia Rugaba, Director Advocacy and Engagement, Twaweza
10:00 – 11:00 📍 Tembo	<b>Uniting Forces: Innovative Solutions to Combating Malnutrition in Tanzania</b>	Participants will explore how ethical, inclusive media can drive social change and support civil society in delivering public good. Drawing on examples from BBC Media Action and CSO partners like LHRC, the session will highlight what works, what doesn’t, and why; sharing practical insights, challenges, and success stories, and featuring a recorded live radio program that brings media-driven impact to life.  <b>World Vision</b>	<b>Moderator:</b> Henry Jackson, Resilience and Livelihood Technical Lead, WVT  <b>Speaker:</b> Elizabeth Proscovia Ndaba, Health and Nutrition Technical Lead, WVT
<b>11:00 - 11:30 Health Break</b>			
11:30–12:30 📍 Main Hall	<b>How Multi-Stakeholder Communication Can Drive Inclusive and Sustainable Development</b>	Learn from the communication model on how WAJIBU has worked to push for the implementation of Controller and Auditor General’s recommendations through working with diverse stakeholders in testing the hypothesis that: “improved communication of audit recommendations, specifically those contained in performance audit reports, and enhanced engagement between key oversight actors from within and outside the government promote action on audit findings that were ignored by the government”.  <b>WAJIBU Institute of Public Accountability</b>	<b>Speakers:</b> Christina Kapama, Resource Mobilisation and Communications Manager, WAJIBU Nizzar Seleman Utanga, Advocacy and Communication Officer, Norwegian Church Aid

11:30 – 12:30 📍 Tembo	<b>Girls and Youth Leading the Path to Progress: Inclusive Governance for Vision 2050</b>	<p>The conversation will spotlight practical models that have been piloted and scaled across Tanzania, including the Youth Accountability Programme (YAP) in Mwanza and other initiatives supported by the EU Youth Sounding Board. Participants will reflect on lessons learned, enabling policies, and the role of institutions in fostering meaningful civic engagement among young people</p> <p><b>Plan International</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Maureen Mkambala, Youth Activist</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Arif Fazel, Youth Coordinator, Action Aid Nuria Mshare, Gender and Development Expert, Hakielimu</p>
11:30 – 12:30 📍 Faru	<b>Demand-side Action for Consumer Protection in Tanzania</b>	<p>This session will explore how civil society can play a more active role in advancing consumer protection in Tanzania. It will highlight opportunities for CSOs to organize around consumer rights, influence policy, and engage more effectively with legal and regulatory institutions mandated to protect consumers.</p> <p><b>Trademark Africa, FCS, Tanzania Consumer Advocacy and Research (TCAR), LATRA CCC, TCRA CCC</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Israel Ilunde, Executive Director, Youth Partnership Council</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b> Mary Shao Msuya, Executive Secretary, TCRA CCC Daud Goodluck Daudi, Executive Secretary, LATRA CCC Charles Kainkwa, Livelihoods Program Lead, Foundation for Civil Society</p>
12:30 – 13:30 📍 Main Hall	<b>The National and Regional Policy and Legislative Framework for the CSO Engagement in the EAC Integration</b>	<p>This session will bring together CSOs, policymakers, and regional institutions to explore the role of civil society in East African Community (EAC) integration. It will assess the implementation of the EAC Consultative Dialogue Framework (CDF), discuss regional CSO legislation, identify challenges and opportunities, and generate policy recommendations to be presented at the EAC Secretary General's Forum.</p> <p><b>GIZ/EACSOF</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Lilian Alex - CEO EACSOF</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Adv Onesmo Olengurumwa - National Coordinator THRDC Daniel Lema - EACSOF Chapter Coordinator - Tanzania Adamson Nsimba - Executive Director TANGO Janise Kimaro - East Africa Women in Business EAWiB</p>

12:30 – 13:30 📍 Faru	<b>Inclusive, Accessible, and Sustainable Finance for Development</b>	<p>This session will unpack the idea of finance as a public good—accessible, inclusive, and designed to serve societal well-being. The discussion will explore how financial systems can be reimagined to reduce inequality, empower communities, and support sustainable development.</p> <p><b>Stanbic</b></p>	<p><b>Speakers:</b> Naomi Vincent, VP, Corporate &amp; Investment Banking, Stanbic Doreen Dominic, Head of Public Sector, Stanbic Anthony Kimambo, Head of Trade Finance, Stanbic</p>
12:30 – 13:30 📍 Tembo	<b>Advancing Opportunities for Youth and Women Workers in the Informal Sector</b>	<p>Participants can expect an engaging session that explores how youth and women workers in the informal sector can transition from survival-driven “hustles” to positions of economic power and influence, the session will highlight pathways to collective organizing, resource access, and policy change. It aims to inspire and equip women with the knowledge and confidence needed to transform their work into sustainable livelihoods and powerful economic movements</p> <p><b>WoteSawa Domestic Workers, ILO, Equality for Growth</b></p>	<p><b>Speakers:</b> Angela Benedicto, Executive Director, WoteSawa Jane Magigita, Executive Director, Equality for Growth Chiku Semfuko, National Project Officer, ILO</p>
13:30 – 14:30 <b>Lunch</b>			



14:30 – 16:00 Main Hall	<b>Civil Society’s Role in Achieving Tanzania’s Vision 2050</b>	<p>This session will explore how CSOs can be strategically positioned to contribute to the success of Tanzania’s Vision 2050. The discussion will surface practical approaches to strengthen CSO capacities, amplify citizen voices, and forge more constructive partnerships with government and other actors in the Vision 2050 journey.</p> <p><b>Dira Taskfoce</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Annastazia Rugaba, Director Advocacy and Engagement, Twaweza</p> <p><b>Discussants:</b> Nuru Maro, Executive Director, Tanzania Rural Development Forum Deus Kibamba, Board Member, JUKATA Israel Ilunde, Executive Director, Youth Partnership Countrywide</p>
16:00 – 17:00 Main Hall	<b>Reclaiming Government as a Force that Works for the People</b>	<p>This masterclass invites participants to reimagine the role of government as a proactive, citizen-responsive force for public good. Through interactive discussion and practical examples, it will explore how civil society can help shift narratives, rebuild trust, and promote governance that is accountable, transparent, and people-centered. The session will equip participants with tools to advocate for systemic reforms and re-anchor government in service of its citizens.</p> <p><b>FCS</b></p>	<b>Facilitator:</b> TBD

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Time	Session Title	Session Description	Speakers
08:00 – 08:45 Main Hall	<b>Reflection &amp; Evaluation</b>	This activity aims to gather practical input that will inform future planning and ensure the platform remains responsive, relevant, and inclusive.  <b>Secretariat</b>	<b>Session Leads:</b> Alice Zayumba, CSO Week 2025 Coordinator, Taji Liundi, Master of Ceremony
09:00 – 10:30 Main Hall	<b>Multi Stakeholder Action for Market Fairness</b>	This session brings together government regulators, private sector actors, and civil society to explore how fair markets can be promoted and protected in Tanzania. Participants will discuss consumer rights, responsible business practices, and opportunities for collaborative action to create more transparent and equitable marketplaces.  <b>Tanzania Private Sector Federation (TPSF), Tanzania Consumer Advocacy and Research (TCAR), Fair Competition Commission (FCC)</b>	<b>Moderator:</b> Bernard Kihyo, Executive Director, Tanzania Consumer Advocacy & Research  <b>Panelists:</b> Semaly Kisamo, Head of Research and Policy Advocacy, TPSF Joshua Msoma, Head of Consumer Protection Department, FCC Annette Temu, Membership Officer (Communications), CTI Fulgence Massawe, Director of Advocacy and Access to Justice, LHRC
10:30 – 11:00 Main Hall	<b>Interactive Reflection: Are We onto Something?</b>	This session will offer participants a moment to pause and reflect on key learnings and actionable insights from the week. Together, participants will assess progress, challenge assumptions, and explore whether the ideas surfaced throughout the week are pointing toward a new, viable direction for civil society in Tanzania.  <b>Secretariat</b>	<b>Session Leads:</b> Alice Zayumba, CSO Week 2025 Coordinator, Taji Liundi, Master of Ceremony

11:00 – 11:30	Health Break		
11:30 – 12:30 Main Hall	<b>Conditions for Civil Society’s Optimal Contribution to National Development</b>	<p>This session will distill insights from the week to identify what’s needed—politically, financially, institutionally—for civil society to play its fullest role in Tanzania’s development. It will engage participants in co-creating a set of conditions and commitments that can guide future collaboration, influence, and impact.</p> <p><b>CSO Week Steering Committee</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Amabilis Batamula, Deputy Executive Director, Femina HIP</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b>  Koga Mihama, Executive Director, TACOSODE  Rutachwamagyo Kaganzi, Consultant  Jane Magigita, Executive Director, Equality for Growth</p>
12:30 – 13:30 Main Hall	<b>Debate: Upper Middle-Income Status by 2050: Vision or Illusion?</b>	<p>This debate will confront a defining question: Is Tanzania genuinely on course to achieve upper middle-income status by 2050, or are we chasing an unrealistic dream? Speakers from across sectors will present competing views on the country’s readiness, the gaps we must confront, and the bold shifts required to turn vision into reality.</p> <p><b>CSO Week Steering Committee</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Baruani Mshale, Director of Learning and Strategy, Twaweza</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> TBD</p>



13:30 – 14:00 Main Hall	<b>Closing Ceremony</b>	Arrival of guests <b>CSO Week Steering Committee</b>	<b>Master of Ceremony:</b> Taji Liundi  <b>Entertainment:</b> Tanzania Bora Initiative  <b>Closing Remarks:</b>  Prof. Kitila Mkumbo, Minister, President's Office, Planning and Investment Dr. Stigmata Tenga, President Foundation for Civil Society  <b>Vote of Thanks:</b> Nesia Mahenge, Country Director, CBM International, CSO Week Steering Committee Chairperson
14:30 – 16:00 Main Hall	<b>Certificate Ceremony: TELS &amp; Youth Lab</b>		



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