

CSO WEEK 2025 AGENDA: FINAL 31.05.2025

Theme: Pathways to Progress | 02-06 June 2025 | Mount Meru Hotel, Arusha

Sn	Date	Time	Session Title	Venue	Organizer(s)	Session Description	Speakers
Day 1 - Monday, June 2, 2025							
	Monday, June 2, 2025	08:00 – 08:45	Arrival & Registration	Main Hall	Secretariat	Arrival of guests	Taji Liundi, Master of Ceremony Entertainment: Tanzania Bora Initiative
1	Monday, June 2, 2025	09:00 – 09:45	Opening Ceremony	Main Hall	CSO Week Steering Committee	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.	Speakers: Justice Rutenge, Executive Director, Foundation for Civil Society Nesia Mahenge, Country Director, CBM International Zuweina Farah, External Relations and Vodacom Tanzania Foundation Director Doreen Dominic, Head Public Sector, Stanbic Bank Elibariki Shammy, Country Director, Tanzania, TradeMark Africa CPA Mercy Sila, Board Chair, Foundation for Civil Society Ambassadors and Heads of Cooperation Nicole Providoli, Switzerland Ambassador to Tanzania European Union Representative
2	Monday, June 2, 2025	09:45 – 11:00	Opening Keynote: A Ministerial Conversation: What Will Take Tanzania to Upper Middle-Income Status by 2050?	Main Hall	FCS and CSOs Vision 2050 Task Force	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.	Scene Setter: Dr. Stigmata Tenga, President, FCS Keynote Addresses: Prof. Adolf Mkenda, Minister for Education, Science and Technology Prof. Kitila Mkumbo, Minister, President's Office, Planning and Investment Ministerial Conversation: Moderator: Baruani Mshale, Director of Learning and Strategy, Twaweza
Break	Monday, June 2, 2025	11:00–11:30	Health Break				
3	Monday, June 2, 2025	11:30 – 12:30	The Core Value-Proposition of Civil Society: Identity, Purpose and Relevance	Main Hall	Wajibika Programme, LHRC	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.	Keynote Speech: Dr. Nikiwe Kaunda, Operations Manager, Southern Africa Trust Moderator: Dr. Richard Sambaiga, Senior Lecturer University of Dar es Salaam Department of Sociology and Anthropology (former member of the NGO Board) Speakers: Justice Rutenge, Executive Director, Foundation for Civil Society Rachel Gondo, Accountability Systems Consultant Fulgence Massawe, Acting Executive Director, LHRC
4	Monday, June 2, 2025	12:30 – 13:30	Democratization: Youth and Women in Decision Making Towards 2030	Main Hall	Action Aid, TBI, Restless Development	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.	Moderator: Fredy Mtei, Project Officer, Kijana Wajibika, Restless Development Speakers: 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
Break	Monday, June 2, 2025	13:30 – 14:30	Lunch & Learn: An AI Agent for managing funding applications at scale	Kipimo Solutions			
5	Monday, June 2, 2025	14:30 – 15:00	Keynote: Tanzania's Economy in the Age of Intelligence	Main Hall	Vodacom Tanzania	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.	Speaker: Zuweina Farah, External Affairs and Vodacom Tanzania Foundation Director

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6	Monday, June 2, 2025	15:00 – 16:00	Overcoming Barriers to Equity in Economic Growth	Main Hall	Trademark Africa, Vodacom Tanzania, Stanbic Bank	This session will explore structural barriers to equity in Tanzania's economy and showcases interdisciplinary solutions through dialogue among civil society and business leaders.	Moderator: Cynthia Bavo, Head of Program Quality & Learning, FCS Speakers: Elibariki Shabby, Country Director, TradeMark Africa Zuweina Farah, External Affairs and Vodacom Tanzania Foundation Director Kai Mollel, Head of Business Incubator, Stanbic Bank Nesia Mahenge, Country Director, CBM International
7	Monday, June 2, 2025	16:00 – 17:00	Strategy Clarity as the Compass in Challenging Times	Main Hall	Twaweza	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.	Speakers: Dr. Baruni Mshale, Director of Learning and Strategy, Twaweza Entesh Melaisho, Coordinator, Governance, Resource Development and Foresight, Twaweza
Day 2 - Tuesday, June 3, 2025							
Clinic	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	08:00 – 08:45	Clinic: Digital Tools for Monitoring and Evaluation	Tembo	Meltores	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.	Presenter: Joyce Msigwa, Co-Founder & Managing Director of Meltores Professional
8	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	09:00 – 10:00	Money, Power and Agency in Development Cooperation: A Conversation with Development Partners	Main Hall	FCS, DP GWG	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.	Moderator: Justice Rutenge, Executive Director, FCS Presenter: Viveka Carlestam, Senior Programme Manager, Democratic Governance and Human Rights, Embassy of Sweden
9a	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	10:00 – 11:00	Alternative Approaches to Building Resilient Institutions and Movements	Main Hall	Financial Resilience Resource Hub EA, Change the Game Academy, APN	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&A on alternative models that CSOs want to learn more about.	Panel Moderator: Cynthia Bavo, Head of Program Quality and Learning, FCS & Financial Resilience Resource Hub (EA) Speakers: Dr. Stigmatta Tenga, Executive Director, APN Lillian Tamale, CivFund representing the Financial Resilience Resource Hub (EA) Change the Game Academy Program: Presenter: Edna Chilimo, Civic Space Program Lead, FCS Success stories: Change the Game Academy partners
9b	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	10:00 – 11:00	Inclusive Insurance: Closing the Protection Gap for Groups and Emerging Customers	Tembo	NMB	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.	Presenter: Borondo Chacha, Senior Manager Life & Medical Insurance, NMB Banc Assurance Unit
9c	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	10:00 – 11:00	Measuring Organizational Resilience	Faru	Busara, TBI, Twaweza	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	Moderators: Dr. Baruni Mshale, Director of Learning and Strategy, Twaweza East Africa Speakers: Abella Bateyunga, Founder and CEO, Tanzania Bora Initiative (TBI) Brenda Ogutu, Associate Engagement Director, Twaweza East Africa Ismail Biro, Deputy Director, Tanzania Bora Initiative (TBI) Lydia Christian, Project Associate Consultant, Busara
Tuesday, June 3, 2025		11:00 – 11:30	Health Break				

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10a	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	11:30 – 12:30	Fund the Youth: Unlocking Sustainable Financing for Youth-Led Organizations in Tanzania	Main Hall	Tanzania Bora Initiative	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.	Speakers: Masoud Kipanya, Political Cartoonist, Illustrator, Animator, Radio/TV Producer/Presenter Neema Bwaira, Manager for Civil Society, European Union Delegation to Tanzania
10b	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	11:30 – 12:30	Shaping Tanzania's Education Future: Pay, Skills and Digital Inclusion for Teachers and Learners.	Tembo	Vodacom	This session will explore how Vodacom is shaping Tanzania's education future.	Vodacom Tanzania
10c	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	11:30 – 12:30	An Investment Guide for CSOs	Faru	Stanbic Bank	This session will introduce practical tools and guidance to help civil society organizations think strategically about investing for long-term sustainability.	Speaker: Elibariki Ndosi, Head, Investment Banking at Stanbic Bank Tanzania
11a	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	12:30 – 13:30	Partnership for Anti-money laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism (AML/CFT)	Main Hall	SecFin-GIZ	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.	Speakers: 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
11b	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	12:30 – 13:30	Surviving the Shift: USAID Funding Cuts and their Impact on Tanzanians CSOs	Tembo	THRDC	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.	Moderator: Baitani Mujuni, Zanzibar National Coordinator, THRDC Speakers: Lisa Kagaruki, Head of Members Affairs and General Public Engagement, THRDC Onesmo Olungurumwa, National Coordinator, THRDC John Kalage, Executive Director, Haki Elimu
11c	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	12:30 – 13:30	Rethinking Resilience: Climate Policies and Strategies in EAC	Faru	Action Aid	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.	Moderator: Sheila Apiny, Regional Climate Advisor & Climate Scientist, ActionAid Speakers: Happy Itros Sanga, Women and Climate Engagement Coordinator, ActionAid Nyendo Kinyonga, Regional Manager, TIF Project, ActionAid
Break	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	13:30 – 14:30	Lunch & Learn: Women in Leadership Stanbic Bank				
12a	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	14:30 – 16:00	Beyond the Buzz: Aligning CSOs' work with Private Sector's ESG reporting	Main Hall	FCS, , Kipimo Solutions, PwC, ACCA	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.	Moderator: Gabriel Bundala, Head of Finance and Operations, FCS Speakers: Richard Hacking, CEO, Kipimo Solutions Howary Kharbush, Associate Director, PwC Jenard Lazaro, Country Manager, ACCA Jane Ohadike, Africa Regional Head of Public Affairs, ACCA
12b	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	14:30 – 16:00	Local CSOs' Pathways to Success: Innovative Solutions for Sustainable Development	Tembo	Save the Children	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.	Moderator: Arafat Lesheve, Save the Children Tanzania Presenters: John Kalage, Chair, DRMS Mariana Kavishe, Save the Children Tanzania Speakers: Onesmo Olungurumwa, 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

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13	Tuesday, June 3, 2025	16:00 – 17:00	Beyond Donor Dependency: Rethinking Sustainability Models for CSO Resilience in Access to Justice	Main Hall	LSF, LHRC, Care International	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.	Speakers: Flora Henry Mpesha, Monitoring and Evaluation Officer, Taswira ya Haki Paralegal Lilian Mkusa, Senior Project Manager, CARE Tanzania Linus Kahendaguza, President's Office, TAMISEMI
Day 3 - Wednesday, June 4, 2025							
14a	Wednesday, June 4, 2025	09:00 – 13:30	Community Immersive Experience in Longido: Navigating Polycrisis	Longido	Twaweza	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.	
14b	Wednesday, June 4, 2025	09:00 – 13:30	Visit to Karatu: Financial Inclusion and Literacy	Karatu	Stanbic	This field session will showcase community-driven financial literacy efforts and inclusive banking models.	
14c	Wednesday, June 4, 2025	09:00 – 13:30	Niambie Radio Show Recording: What it Takes to Build Youth Agency	Tengeru	FCS	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.	
14d	Wednesday, June 4, 2025	09:00 – 13:30	TELS Bootcamp: Digital & Financial Readiness for Women Entrepreneurs	Corridor Springs Hotel	Vodacom Tanzania	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.	
Day 4 - Thursday, June 5, 2025							
Clinic	Thursday, June 5, 2025	08:00 – 08:45	Film Showcase: Resilience, Resistance, and Civic Action	Tembo	Media for Development and Advocacy (MEDEA)	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.	Speakers: Sheilla Kipuyo, MEDEA Hassan Kiyungi, MEDEA
15a	Thursday, June 5, 2025	09:00 – 10:00	Reimagining Media as a Catalyst for Social Change and Public Good in Tanzania	Main Hall	BBC Media Action, Jamii Africa, LHRC, TBI	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.	Moderator: Marygoreth Richard, Head of Production, BBC Media Action Speaker: Deogratius Bwire, Director of Empowerment and Human Rights Responses, LHRC Ziada Seukindo, Programme Manager, Jamii Africa Judith Mwombeki, Senior Research Officer, BBC Media Action Abella Bateyunga, Executive Director, Tanzania Bora Initiative (TBI)
15b	Thursday, June 5, 2025	09:00 – 10:00	Youth and Opportunity	Tembo	Wajibika	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.	Moderator: Japheth Makongo, Ubunifu Associates
15b	Thursday, June 5, 2025	09:00 – 10:00	How Civil Society Can Reimagine Tax and Public Goods	Faru	Jadili	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	Moderator: Evelyn Manu, Director, Coretax Africa & Managing Partner, Jadili Speakers: Semkae Kilonzo, Executive Director, Policy Forum Gabriel Bundala, Head of Finance and Operations, FCS

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16a	Thursday, June 5, 2025	10:00 – 11:00	From Policy to Progress: Reintegrating Teenage Mothers into Education system in Tanzania	Main Hall	HakiElimu	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.	Moderator: Makumba Mwemezi, Program Manager, Research, Innovation and Policy Analysis, Haki Elimu Speakers: Dr. Wilberforce Meena, Technical Education Advisor, HakiElimu Nuria Mshare, Gender and Development Expert HakiElimu Nasra Kibukila, Head of Program, TENMET Florence Ngari, Researcher, HakiElimu
16b	Thursday, June 5, 2025	10:00 – 11:00	Insights and Opportunities from the Improved O&OD	Faru	Twaweza	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.	Speakers: Christopher Kafunga, TAMISEMI James Kimambo, TAMISEMI Moderator: Richard Temu, Senior Program Officer, Twaweza Annastazia Rugaba, Director Advocacy and Engagement, Twaweza
16c	Thursday, June 5, 2025	10:00 – 11:00	Uniting Forces: Innovative Solutions to Combating Malnutrition in Tanzania	Tembo	World Vision	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.	Moderator: Henry Jackson, Resilience and Livelihood Technical Lead, WVT Speaker: Elizabeth Proscovia Ndaba, Health and Nutrition Technical Lead, WVT
Thursday, June 5, 2025		11:00 - 11:30	Health Break				
17a	Thursday, June 5, 2025	11:30 – 12:30	How Multi-Stakeholder Communication Can Drive Inclusive and Sustainable Development	Main Hall	WAJIBU Institute of Public Accountability	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".	Speakers: Christina Kapama, Resource Mobilisation and Communications Manager, WAJIBU Nizzar Seleman Utanga, Advocacy and Communication Officer, Norwegian Church Aid
17b	Thursday, June 5, 2025	11:30 – 12:30	Girls and Youth Leading the Path to Progress: Inclusive Governance for Vision 2050	Tembo	Plan International	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	Moderator: Maureen Mkambala, Youth Activist Speakers: Arif Fazal, Youth Coordinator, Action Aid Nuria Mshare, Gender and Development Expert, HakiElimu
17c	Thursday, June 5, 2025	11:30 – 12:30	Demand-side Action for Consumer Protection in Tanzania	Faru	Trademark Africa, FCS, Tanzania Consumer Advocacy and Research (TCAR), LATRA CCC, TCRA CCC	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.	Moderator: Israel Ilunde, Executive Director, Youth Partnership Council Panelists: Mary Shao Msuya, Executive Secretary, TCRA CCC Daud Goodluck Daudi, Executive Secretary, LATRA CCC Charles Kainkwa, Livelihoods Program Lead, Foundation for Civil Society
18a	Thursday, June 5, 2025	12:30 – 13:30	The National and Regional Policy and Legislative Framework for the CSO Engagement in the EAC Integration	Main Hall	GIZ/EACSOF	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.	Moderator: Lilian Alex - CEO EACSOF Speakers: Adv Onesmo Olenyumwa, National Coordinator, THRDC Daniel Lema, EACSOF Chapter Coordinator, Tanzania Adamson Nsimba, Executive Director, TANGO Janise Kimaro, East Africa Women in Business (EAWIB)
18b	Thursday, June 5, 2025	12:30 – 13:30	Inclusive, Accessible, and Sustainable Finance for Development	Faru	Stanbic	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.	Speakers: Naomi Vincent, VP, Corporate & Investment Banking, Stanbic Doreen Dominic, Head of Public Sector, Stanbic Anthony Kimambo, Head of Trade Finance, Stanbic Kai Mollel, Head, Stanbic Biashara Incubator, Stanbic

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18c	Thursday, June 5, 2025	12:30 – 13:30	Advancing Opportunities for Youth and Women Workers in the Informal Sector	Tembo	WoteSawa Domestic Workers, ILO, Equality for Growth	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	Speakers: Angela Benedicto, Executive Director, WoteSawa Jane Magigita, Executive Director, Equality for Growth Chiku Semfuko, National Project Officer, ILO
	Thursday, June 5, 2025	13:30 – 14:30	Lunch & Learn: Digitalization for CSOs				
19	Thursday, June 5, 2025	14:30 – 16:00	Reclaiming Government as a Force that Works for the People	Main Hall	FCS	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.	Moderator: Annastazia Rugaba, Director Advocacy and Engagement, Twaweza Discussants: Nuru Maro, Executive Director, Tanzania Rural Development Forum Deus Kibamba, Board Member, JUKATA Israel Ilunde, Executive Director, Youth Partnership Countrywide
20	Thursday, June 5, 2025	16:00 – 17:00	From Classic Watchdogs to Co-Creators of Public Good	Main Hall	FCS	This interactive session will explore how civil society can navigate the inherent tension between holding government accountable and partnering for systemic reform. It will offer a space for honest dialogue on the risks, rewards, and realities of embracing government as a partner in progress.	Facilitator: Justice Rutenge, Executive Director, FCS
Day 5 - Friday, June 6, 2025							
	Friday, June 6, 2025	08:00 – 08:45	Reflection & Evaluation	Main Hall	Secretariat	This activity aims to gather practical input that will inform future planning and ensure the platform remains responsive, relevant, and inclusive.	Session Leads: Alice Zayumba, CSO Week 2025 Coordinator, Taji Liundi, Master of Ceremony
21	Friday, June 6, 2025	09:00 – 10:30	Multi Stakeholder Action for Market Fairness	Main Hall	Tanzania Private Sector Federation (TPSF), Tanzania Consumer Advocacy and Research (TCAR), Fair Competition Commission (FCC)	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.	Moderator: Bernard Kihyo, Executive Director, Tanzania Consumer Advocacy & Research Panelists: 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
22	Friday, June 6, 2025	10:30 – 11:00	Lightning Talk: What it Takes to Shift Systems	Main Hall	Secretariat	This interactive session invites participants to pause and reflect on the week through the lens of systems thinking, focusing on how to unlock deeper, structural change.	Presenter: Dr. Anthony Mveyange, Director of Programs, APHRC
	Friday, June 6, 2025	11:00 – 11:30	Health Break				
23	Friday, June 6, 2025	11:30 – 12:30	Conditions for Civil Society's Optimal Contribution to National Development	Main Hall	CSO Week Steering Committee	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.	Moderator: Amabilis Batamula, Deputy Executive Director, Femina HIP Speakers: Koga Mihama, Executive Director, TACOSODE Rutachwamagyo Kaganzi, Consultant Jane Magigita, Executive Director, Equality for Growth
24	Friday, June 6, 2025	12:30 – 13:30	Debate: Upper Middle-Income Status by 2050: Vision or Illusion?	Main Hall	CSO Week Steering Committee	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.	Moderator: Dr. Baruani Mshale, Director of Learning and Strategy, Twaweza Speakers: TBD
25	Friday, June 6, 2025	13:30 – 14:00	Closing Ceremony	Main Hall	CSO Week Steering Committee	Arrival of guests	Master of Ceremony: Taji Liundi Entertainment: Tanzania Bora Initiative Closing Remarks: Dr. Stigmata Tenga, President, FCS Vote of Thanks: Nesia Mahenge, Country Director, CBM International, CSO Week Steering Committee Chairperson

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	Friday, June 6, 2025	14:30 – 16:00	Certificate Ceremony: TELS & Youth Lab	Main Hall	Vodacom Tanzania		