

# Building a Restoration Movement in Kenya: Lessons and Insights

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### What is a movement?

- Social movement an organized effort by a large number of people aimed at causing or impeding change that can be social, political, economic, or cultural
- Movement building the process of organizing and influencing people to work towards an important collective vision or cause







# The need for movement building in Kenya

- The scale and impacts of landscape degradation in Kenya
- Political goodwill for restoration as demonstrated by commitments made
- The need to scale existing fragmented restoration efforts for the achievement of commitments



## The process ......





National Land Restoration Scaling Conference in Kenya

3rd December 2020



The Roots of FMNR Movement in Kenya

25<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Private Sector Engagement in Kenya's landscape restoration efforts

27<sup>th</sup> May 2021



Youth Power in Restoration Virtual Learning Experience



23rd April 2021

Forest and Landscape Restoration Monitoring









#### Launch of the Action groups:

- Youth and Women Inclusion in Restoration Action Group
- Agricultural Landscapes Restoration Action Group
- Kenya Rangelands Restoration and Conservation Action Group
- Kenya Working Group on Training and Capacity Building for Landscape Restoration
- Faith based Restoration Action Group
- Forest Landscape Restoration Action Group
- Kenya Landscape Restoration Monitoring TWG



Sept to Oct 2021

Training Resources and Capacity building needs for landscape restoration in Kenya Webinar



## Achievements....

- Formation of 7 action groups with an estimated 100 organizations represented that meet regularly (monthly)
- Capacity building events for youth, women and faith communities/faith-based organizations
- Showcased women leadership in restoration Celebrating women in restoration webinar, networking and social media campaign
- A strategy for faith based regreening in Kenya under development along with a call to action to mobilize faith communities around restoration
- Developed a National Landscape Restoration Monitoring Framework





# Key lessons

- Engage in continuous mobilization of people into the movement using effective key messages articulating the objectives of the movement
- Identify and align with political opportunities
- Put in place structures for mobilization and organization such as existing social networks, social media (opportunity), groups/chapters, etc.
- Identify passionate leaders dedicated to the cause and can motivate others to participate in the movement
- Mobilize resources to sustain the movement





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