

Call for Expression of Interest (EOI)

Hosting the African Green Cup for Climate Change (*Africa Football Edition*) alongside African Sports, Culture and entertainments for climate Summit

The **SECOTO** Organizing Committee of the International Tournament on Football for Climate Change invites African nations to submit Expressions of Interest (EOI) to host this prestigious 28-day continental event as the first and only mega sports events in conservation in Africa

This multi-faceted event will combine national team football competition, climate conferences, exhibitions, cultural shows, Social medias Influencers Sessions Eco Community works, and sports fashion events. The host nation will play a pivotal role in showcasing Africa's unity through sport, culture, and climate action.

OBJECTIVE OF THE EVENT

- *To promote climate awareness and sustainable practices through Sports.*
- *Bring sports , culture and entertainment sector in environmental protection*
- *To engage African governments, businesses, and communities in dialogue on climate solutions.*
- *To unify and celebrate African diversity, creativity, and resilience through culture and sport.*
- *To create a sustainable legacy of climate-friendly infrastructure and practices.*

Eligibility to Host

African Union (AU) member states with the capacity and willingness to host a continental sporting and climate event of this scale are invited to apply.

Requirements & Evaluation Criteria

1. INFRASTRUCTURE

Stadiums & Training Facilities: Availability of at least two FIFA-standard, Two Community stadiums and multiple training grounds.

Accommodation: Adequate hotels or housing facilities for teams, officials, delegates, and fans.

Transport & Connectivity: Efficient international airport(s), road networks, and urban and green transport systems.

Event Venues: Conference centers, exhibition halls, and Green performance spaces suitable for cultural and fashion events.

Health & Safety: Access to modern medical facilities and a comprehensive event security plan.

2. CLIMATE COMMITMENT

Environmental protection Plan: Clear national or city strategies to minimize the carbon footprint of the events, Green Initiative based on key highlights of African Green Cup of Eco Clubs

Green Infrastructure: Use of renewable energy, energy efficient stadiums, and environmentally sustainable venues.

Waste & Water Management: Demonstrated systems for recycling, waste reduction, and sustainable water use.

Community Engagement: Programs to involve local communities, youth, and civil society in climate action initiatives.

Legacy Projects: Plans to ensure long-term benefits, such as green jobs, sustainable sports facilities, or reforestation.

3. GOVERNMENT SUPPORT

Official Endorsement: Formal commitment from the Head of State or relevant ministry (Sports, Environments, foreign affairs)

Financial Backing: Evidence of government's ability to support event costs and mobilize private/public partnerships.

Policy Alignment: Integration of the event into national climate change and sports development policies.

Facilitation & Security: Guarantee of smooth visa processes, security assurance, and protection for all participants.

Institutional Collaboration: Willingness to coordinate with the Organizing Committee, SECOTO, AU, UNEP, IUCN and other partners.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Interested countries are invited to submit their Expression of Interest (EOI) including:

1. A cover letter from the relevant ministry (Sports/Environment/Foreign Affairs).
2. A technical proposal addressing the three criteria (Infrastructure, Climate Commitment, Government Support).
3. Supporting documents (maps, government endorsements, sustainability plans, and community engagements, sponsor recommendation list).

TIMELINE

Call for EOI Published: 8th September 2025

Deadline for Submission: 15th October 2025

Review & Shortlisting: 30th October 2025

Final Host Selection Announcement: 14th November, 2025 **COP 30 Brazil**

Submission Address

The submission address is afgccc_bids@secoto.org

Note

Only shortlisted countries will be contacted for the next stage of the selection process. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to verify all information provided.

For more information feel free to send email to rejoice@secoto.org or yolo.smith@secoto.org