

CAUSE (Carbon-Africa Urban Systems for the Environment)

[Continently defined cities, each with overlapping but unique attributes.]

These cities form part of a larger cluster for policy engagement and setting carbon sink goals, in partnership with Carbon Dioxide Removal (CDR).

	City	Country	Strategic Rationale
1	Nairobi	Kenya	Tech hub, urban density, informal settlements, base for civic AI innovation
2	Kigali	Rwanda	High governance efficiency, clean energy goals, and green building leadership
3	Lagos	Nigeria	Megacity with a huge informal economy, a cultural powerhouse, and high climate risk
4	Cape Town	South Africa	Climate adaptation policies, water resilience leadership, and youth activism
5	Dakar	Senegal	Cultural capital, green infrastructure experiments, West African gateway
6	Accra	Ghana	Stable democracy, growing creative economy, biodiversity, and flood concerns
7	Addis Ababa	Ethiopia	Pan-African political capital, infrastructure growth, and transport innovation
8	Dar es Salaam	Tanzania	Coastal vulnerability, rapid growth, and emerging sustainability policies
9	Kampala	Uganda	Young population, climate vulnerability, interest in design-led solutions
10	Abidjan	Côte d'Ivoire	Economic hub, regional logistics base, wetlands restoration potential
11	Johannesburg	South Africa	Finance and real estate center, public housing retrofits, equity challenges
12	Tunis	Tunisia	Mediterranean urban challenges, design capacity, civic innovation potential
13	Luanda	Angola	Oil transition opportunity, housing crisis, green city ambitions
14	Bamako	Mali	Climate fragility, urban poverty, and a strong youth demographic
15	Maputo	Mozambique	Coastal risk, post-colonial infrastructure, creative economy potential
16	Gaborone	Botswana	Political stability, innovation readiness, and AI policy frameworks
17	Windhoek	Namibia	Water-scarce city with advanced ecological policies and low corruption
18	Freetown	Sierra Leone	Trailblazer in tree equity and climate justice innovation
19	Nouakchott	Mauritania	Rising urbanization in dryland environments, coastal vulnerability
20	Ouagadougou	Burkina Faso	Strong arts and civic culture, need for infrastructure resilience

