

Mombasa Report Summary

The Building Urban Community Networks for Sustainable Cities in Africa team undertook its project activities in Mombasa County on 22nd December 2021 led by Dr. Margaret Owuor, assisted by Mr. Patrick Otuo and Ms. Tabitha Onyango. City problems were tackled under 5 thematic areas. Solid waste management, Water supply and Sanitation, Energy supply systems and Public Space. Stakeholders engaged in the discussion were from community based institution, waste collectors, and youth groups. Some of the challenges that were highlighted include, managing solid waste, provision of clean drinking water to the residents and poor drainage compromising the sanitation of the residence more so in the lower income dwelling areas. Based on the discussions with the project team and the stakeholders the following recommendations were made: need to establish a Material Recovery Facilities (MAREFA) to reduce the counts of wastes in the community, introduction of exchange programs amongst the different stakeholders, develop a curriculum on waste management with short courses within Mombasa County, engaging in a multi-stakeholder's cooperative framework to bring the waste collectors together, government to offer financial/incentives to unemployed service providers as a motivation to enable them continue with their work.



