



“Peaceful Means”

INSTITUTIONAL PROFILE:

**The Somali
Institute for Environmental Peace
(SIEP)**

Institution’s Full Name: The Somali Institute for Environmental Peace
Acronyms: SIEP

Registration:

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1. Brief background

The Somali Institute for Environmental Peace (SIEP) is non-governmental and non-profit Institution. SIEP was founded in 2017 and legally registered on 16 February 2020. It was officially launched at the Environment and Emergencies Forum Meeting held on 26 September 2017 at the UN Office, Gigiri Compound in Nairobi, Kenya. SIEP is registered with the Ministry of Education, Culture and Higher Education of the Federal Government of Somalia, as the First Pioneer Institute for environmental advocacy. The main objective of the Institute is to conduct research, provide environmental education, environmental consultancy services, increase environmental awareness and promote peace in Somalia. The slogan of SIEP is “**Peaceful Means**”. The institute is headquartered in Mogadishu-Somalia.

Founded by group of intellectual and environmental practitioners using their human capitals. This institution aims to respond and prevent the environmental problems through education, awareness, Capacity development, consultancy, research and technology innovations to protect and conserve the environment of Somalia as well as the region to reduce poverty and promote sustainable development. The Institute explores and empowers the indigenous and local communities that have developed or are developing their own monitoring methodologies related to biodiversity, ecosystems, water, oceans, land and other resources, as well as human well-being, based on traditional knowledge (soomali: Xeer) and holistic view of people and the environment.

2. Core value:

1. Visionary and Innovation
2. Transparency and Governance
3. Professionalism
4. Integrity and Teamwork
5. Peace and Health Environment
6. Partnerships
7. Stewardship

3. Vision Statement:

A Pioneer and Excellence Center for Peace on Environment in Somalia.

4. Mission Statement:

To educate the society on environmental protection and conservation and conduct research to provide information and green innovation technologies for sustainable development of associated natural resources for socio-economic development.

5. Strategic objectives:

- To support education, awareness raising, consultancy services and research; create partnership with stakeholders and enhance livelihoods;
- To promote environmental technologies and innovations, enhance cross-sectoral and public private sector research; develop data base knowledge management and information access and dissemination systems.

5.1. Specific Objectives are to:

- Educate local communities in understanding the links between environmental degradation and food security through education, awareness campaigns and outreach
- Assist the country's environmental protection efforts through the provision of expert environmental consultancy services to both private and public sectors.
- Promote tree planting to ensure restoration of deforested land, combat climate change and planting in other important areas such as schools, homes and gardens
- Control charcoal trade by empowering and creating alternative sources of energy to reduce pressure on forests
- Advocate local authorities to promote regulations and policies for environmental management and natural resources at large for enhanced sustainable development and promote rule of law and governance
- Create anti-poaching programs through trainings, provision of equipment, management and skills of the local people to protect and preserve the endangered species
- Rehabilitate and restore degraded land, wetlands and ecosystems
- Provide technical support for the establishment management mechanisms for natural disaster risk reductions such climate change resilience programmes and adaptation practices to natural disasters such as floods and droughts
- Advocate and promote the Marine spatial planning for blue economy through awareness raising on the importance of marine resources, protection of coastal resources and pollution prevention

6. The major thematic areas are education, research and consultancy services.

Thematic area 1: Education

1. Environmental education courses (certificates and diploma modules)
2. Awareness campaign programs

3. Capacity development and Trainings

Thematic area 2: Consultancy services

1. Environmental impact assessment (EIA)
2. Environmental Audit and Compliance
3. Development of Environmental Policies, Regulations and Legislations
4. Translations
5. Environmental Governance

Thematic area 3: The research and development

1. Climate changes adaptation and mitigation research and studies
2. Wetland protection and restoration initiatives
3. Biodiversity and wildlife
4. Protection of the Coastal and Marine Environment
5. Green energy innovations to Combat charcoal and desertification
6. Waste and pollutions
7. Environmental security

7. Organizational Structure

7.1. Board of Advisors

The Board of Advisors shall advise and oversee SIEP.

The Board is guided by the rules of procedures as detailed below:

7.2. Overall Framework

The Board shall fulfil its tasks within the framework of SIEP's agreed aims and objectives.

7.3. Tasks of the Board are to:

- i. Advise on the overall strategy policy and direction of SIEP
- ii. Review past activities and successes and reflect on lessons learned
- iii. Review and advise on the financial statements, the annual accounts, and budget allocation and expenditures
- iv. Support and provide oversight to SIEP management

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- v. Advocate for and help promote SIEP and its vision and mission accomplishment
- vi. Review and approve SIEP annual reports

7.4. Procedures

The Board shall:

- i. Hold biannual (twice a year) meetings (including in person meetings)
- ii. Be available for ad hoc conference calls at the request of the Executive Director or Board Chair
- iii. Review and approve SIEP yearly action plan

7.5. Organigram

