



## Climate Change, Women, Agriculture and Fairtrade.

Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March  
12.30pm – 2.00pm

12:30-12:35	Welcome from the Scottish Fair Trade Forum
12:35-12:45	Ndiuzayani Zaya, Malawian Trustee of Scottish Fair Trade Forum
12:45-13:00	Dr. Karin Helwig, Centre for Climate Justice, Glasgow Caledonian University
13:00-13:15	Margaret Babirye, Fellow, Third Generation Project, University of St. Andrews
13:15-13:30	Susan Limisi, Gender Co-ordinator, Fairtrade Africa
13:30-13:45	Ann Siminta, Standards Compliance Manager, Sher Ethiopia and Adanech Duga, Fairtrade Women's School and Safety and Environment Officer, Sher Ethiopia
13:45-13:55	Q&A
13:55-14:00	Close

## Speakers



**Ndiuzayani Zaya** works as a business studies teacher at Blantyre Baptist Academy. Her mother is a farmer with [Kasinthula Cane Growers' Association](#) and thanks to this, all of Ndiuzayani's education was funded by the Fairtrade Premium. She lives with her mother and three sisters in Sadulo village, Chikwawa district of Malawi and sometimes helps with planting and weeding on her mother's smallholder farm. Ndiuzayani is a Trustee of the Scottish Fair Trade Forum and she visited Scotland during Fairtrade Fortnight 2020.



**Dr. Karin Helwig** is an interdisciplinary researcher with a first degree in gender studies and a PhD in environmental science and management. Her research focus is on pollution, water management, and climate justice. She is the Programme Leader for [the MSc in Climate Justice at Glasgow Caledonian University](#). Her presentation will explore the links between gender and climate change, illuminated through the work of staff and students at the Centre for Climate Justice.



**Margaret Babirye** is a Fellow at the [Third Generation Project](#), a think tank at the University of St Andrews, where she has worked on the Climate of Violence programme which analysed the intersection of climate change and gender-based violence. She is also a PhD candidate at the University of Kassel in Germany, and she will talk to us about her research around the climate politics of conservation and displacement among the BaTwa of South-western Uganda.



**Susan Limisi** currently serves as the Gender Coordinator at [Fairtrade Africa](#). As such, she leads the gender portfolio across 33 countries in Africa and the Middle East. Susan is an experienced gender specialist having worked across the globe with a background in gender programming, monitoring and evaluation, psychological counselling, education, and training. Through her role, Susan has the opportunity to shape and contribute to Fairtrade Africa's efforts with producer organizations to advance gender equity across the agriculture value chain. She will discuss the background, achievements, challenges, and future plans for the [Fairtrade Women's School of Leadership](#).



**Ann Siminta** is the Standards Compliance Manager at Sher Ethiopia, a flower grower and exporter. Having been born in a pastoralist community, I experienced first hand the painful struggles of the girl child who is often disempowered due to lack of access to basic education and resources. This is what motivates me to champion equal opportunities and the voice of women at the decision-making table. Ann introduces [Sher Ethiopia](#) (Premium Rose Grower), the impact of Fairtrade, the Women's School of Leadership, and her colleague Adanech Duga.



**Adanech Duga** is a beneficiary of the [Fairtrade Women's School of Leadership in Ethiopia](#), which helped her to build self-confidence and to stand for gender equality and women's empowerment. In addition, she gained leadership skills and skill in generating business ideas. Adanech works at [Sher Roses Farm](#) as a Safety and Environment Officer. Adanech will present her experience of the Women's School of Leadership and talk about the initiatives she is involved in at Sher Roses to respond to the impacts of climate change.