

## Press release

# Dar es Salaam Moving Planet Cycle Caravan 24th September 2011



**Moving Planet – a worldwide day to put our demands for climate action into motion—marching, biking, skating—calling for the world to go beyond fossil fuels.**



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UWABA Dar es Salaam Cycling Community are organising a Dar es Salaam Cycle Caravan on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2011 starting at Mnazi Mmoja at 8am. This cycle caravan is part of the worldwide Moving Planet day, and thousands of cycle caravans are taking place around the world on the same day, to call for action on climate change.

A cycle caravan is an event whereby large numbers of cyclists gather together to cycle around prominent areas of the city together. It is not race or sport and speed is not encouraged. All cyclists in Dar es Salaam are welcome – young and old, men and women, able-bodied and disabled people and all types of cycles can take part including ordinary bicycles, three wheeled cycles (guta) and hand-cycles for people with disabilities.

Climate change is happening worldwide and is caused by emissions of carbon dioxide and other gases into the atmosphere from burning fossil fuels (oil, coal, gas) in industries, vehicles and airplanes and electricity generation. Cycling as a means of urban transport does not emit any carbon dioxide and so promoting cycling is part of the solution to climate change. Other solutions to climate change are generating electricity from renewable sources (eg solar, wind, hydro) and protecting forests because trees absorb carbon dioxide.

Climate change is affecting Tanzania by changing rainfall patterns which are detrimental to agriculture. To solve this problem, the world must move away from fossil fuels – that is why the event is called “Moving Planet”.

## Taarifa kwa wanahabari

# Msafara wa Baisikeli Dar es Salaam “Moving Planet” 24 Septemba 2011



**Moving Planet – siku ya kuamsha dunia na kuchukua hatua kuhusu mabadaliko ya tabia ya nchi — endesha baisikeli — punguza hewa ya ukaa**



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Umma wa Wapanda Baisikeli Dar es Salaam (UWABA) unafanya Msafara wa Baisikeli Dar es Salaam tarehe 24 Septemba 2011 kuanzia saa mbili asubuhi, Mnazi Mmoja. Msafara huu ni moja kati ya misafara mingi ya baisikeli inayofanyika duniani leo, kuchukua hatua kuhusu mabadaliko ya tabia ya nchi.

Katika Msafara wa Baisikeli idadi kubwa ya wapanda baisikeli wanaendesha baisikeli pamoja kwenye maeneo ya jiji. Siyo mashindano wala mbio; tunaendesha taratibu. Wapanda baisikeli wote wa Dar es Salaam wanakaribishwa – vijana na wazee, wanaume na wanawake na wenye ulemavu; na baisikeli za aina zote zinakaribishwa – baisikeli za kawaida, maguta, baisikeli za mikono za wenye ulemavu.

Mabadiliko ya tabia ya nchi yanatokea dunia nzima na yanasababishwa na utoaji wa hewa ya ukaa (carbon dioxide) kutokana na uchomaji wa fossil fuels (mafuta ya ardhini, makaa ya mawe, gesi) kwenye viwanda, magari, ndege na uzalishaji wa umeme. Kuendesha baisikeli jijini haitoi hewa ya ukaa, kwa hivyo baisikeli ni moja ya suluhisho ya mabadaliko ya tabia ya nchi. Masulushisho mengine ni kuzalisha umeme kutokana na nishati ya jua (solar), upepo na maji (hydro), na kulinda misitu kwa sababu miti inafyonza hewa ya ukaa.

Mabadiliko ya tabia ya nchi yana hasara kwa Tanzania kwa sababu yanapunguza mvua na kuharibu shughuli za kilimo. Ili kurekebisha tatizo hili lazima dunia iachane na matumizi ya fossil fuels – ndiyo sababu tukio hili likaitwa “Moving Planet”.