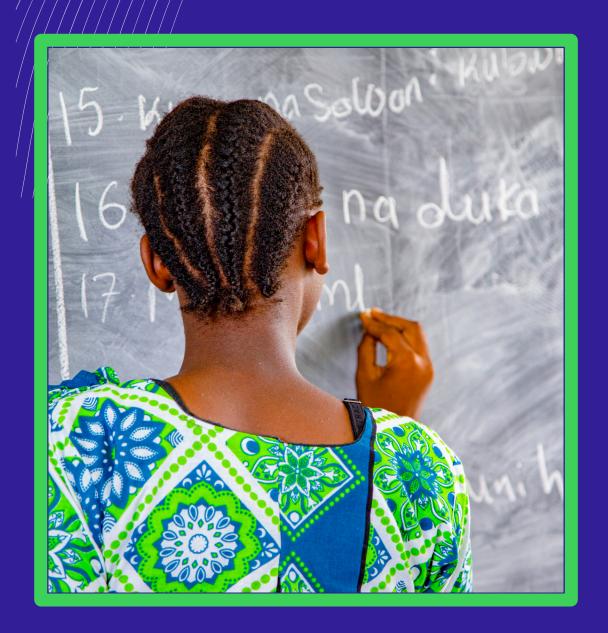
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### **ACKNOWLEGMENT**



In this edition of our newsletter, we take a moment to reflect on our collective achievements and the profound impact we've had on the communities we serve. Together, we are truly making difference in the world. As we step into the second quarter, let's carry forward the spirit of partnership, resilience, and empowerment that defines the Eco Scope Foundation. Together, we will continue to inspire, educate, and uplift both current and future generations of youth and women in Tanzania.

I am thrilled to extend my heartfelt appreciation to each and every one of you for your unwavering dedication and passion, which have made the first quarter of 2024 an incredible success for the Eco Scope Foundation.

Damian Edward
The Executive Director

Your contributions and commitment have been invaluable as we work towards alleviating poverty, promoting self-reliance, and fostering equal opportunities for economic empowerment in Tanzania.

Let us also take a moment to acknowledge the invaluable contributions of our staff, the heart and soul of our organization. Your enthusiasm, curiosity, and determination serve as constant reminders of the incredible potential within each of you. It is your active participation, energy, and eagerness to learn and grow that inspire us to continue our work with unwavering passion and dedication.

This quarter has been nothing short of inspiring, with a multitude of activities and initiatives that have positively impacted the lives of youth and women across Tanzania. From **leadership** camps and outdoor adventures to community service projects, it is your tireless efforts and enthusiasm that have made it all possible. Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to the dedicated leaders, volunteers, and members who have generously invested their time, expertise, and resources to create a environment for our organization to thrive. Your guidance and mentorship leave a lasting impact on the communities we serve.

Thank you all for your continued support and commitment to our mission. Together, we will continue to make strides towards a brighter, more empowered future for all.

### **FORE WORD**



As we journey through the pages of time, we find ourselves deep in the vibrant pulse of the first quarter, where the unwavering enthusiasm and dedication of Foundation have Eco Scope illuminated our path. These past months have been a rapid of growth, learning, companionship and as our team continues to embrace the values that our mission of creating sustainable solutions to poverty within our communities

The first quarter commenced with a burst of energy as we launched the Rescue and Restore project, aimed at empowering victims and survivors of human trafficking, particularly women and youth, through financial inclusion. This initiative set the stage for a season. marked inspired partnership, by innovation, and growth.

Our team showcased not only their awareness but also their deep commitment to addressing the most pressing global issues surrounding Poverty. Their impassioned initiatives and sustainable ideas serve as beacons of hope in our collective efforts. We extend heartfelt congratulations to all our partners who collaborated with us and showed unwavering support throughout this first quarter. This achievement stands as a testament to the caliber of our movement and the nurturing environment we cultivate.

In reflecting on this quarter, it becomes evident that our focus extended beyond mere activities; it was about the empowerment, unity, and growth of our organization. Every achievement, whether significant or seemingly small, reflects the values and principles we uphold.

We express our deepest gratitude for your steadfast support of our mission. May this newsletter stand as a testament to the remarkable milestones our organization has achieved in this first quarter.



Elius Paulo Director of Programs

### **ESF PROJECTS**

# Digital and Financial Opportunities for Sustainable Youth Development



On January 26th, 2024, the Eco Scope Foundation, in collaboration with the Elimika Wikiendi Organization, launched its inaugural project titled "Digital and Financial Opportunities for Sustainable Youth Development." This initiative aims to promote digital inclusion for sustainable vouth development, with a specific focus on students in Tanzanian colleges and universities The first training program under this project took place at the Tanzania Institute of Accountancy (TIA) in Dar es Salaam.

The objective of this initiative is to empower young individuals by imparting essential digital skills, thereby enabling them to embrace digital opportunities and cultivate self-reliance.

The primary goal is to bridge the digital divide, ensuring that youth can proficiently utilize digital platforms for personal and communal growth. Despite the abundant potential of the digital landscape, many young people lack the necessary knowledge to fully access these opportunities. As part of ongoing efforts to eradicate poverty within the community, the project prioritizes the empowerment of youth groups.

The training program is designed not only to equip participants with digital skills but also to strengthen their resilience against digital threats such as and unethical scammers practices. By providing integrated solutions, the initiative aims to enable young individuals confidently seize and benefit from digital opportunities, both locally and globally.



#### Victim Empowerment Window

On February 13, 2024, the Eco Scope Foundation introduced its second project aimed at empowering victims/survivors of human trafficking, women, and youth through financial inclusion. Collaborating with DMI Hope Tanzania, the foundation facilitated training sessions for a group of young women who are survivors of human trafficking, marking a significant step in their complete restoration process. This program focuses on strengthening the capacity of survivors of human trafficking, women, and youth by imparting critical financial knowledge. The training covers areas such as business management and formalization, financial management, customer service experience, and mastering the market





The project is designed to equip participants with essential financial skills to promote self-reliance and provide sustainable financial solutions and opportunities. The foundation believes in a partnership approach to creating a significant impact and aims to enhance access to decent jobs and opportunities for sustainable development among the impoverished.

Recognizing the harmful effects of poverty on individuals' lives, the foundation emphasizes the importance of fighting poverty through progressive initiatives from both government and non-state stakeholders.



The hashtag #RescueAndRestore symbolizes the foundation's commitment to rescuing and restoring the lives of those affected by human trafficking. Eric Kimashi, a Project Monitor at Daughters of Mary Immaculate DMI, described this program based on Job Placement Program as a significant initiative.

"This program is specifically tailored to support human trafficking survivors by providing them with essentials skills

both before and after practical training. The program offers guidance for individuals interested in entrepreneurship, focusing on areas such as customer care, financial management, and record-keeping to facilitate the establishment of their own businesses.



For those seeking traditional employment opportunities, the Job Placement Program provides comprehensive job-related training, ensuring that participants are equipped with the necessary skills and knowledge to succeed in the workforce."



The Eco Scope Foundation has made on its mission to address the critical issue of climate change, recognizing that its far-reaching effects excessively affect vulnerable populations, particularly those living below the poverty line. Within this context, the foundation firmly believes that fostering biodiversity conservation and empowerment initiatives can play a crucial role in mitigating environmental degradation and alleviating the adverse impacts of climate change.



By acknowledging the intricate interplay between biodiversity and climate resilience, the foundation advocates for comprehensive strategies that not only safeguard natural ecosystems but also empower local communities to become active stewards of their environment. This approach entails promoting sustainable land management practices, advocating for the protection of endangered species, and facilitating community-based initiatives aimed at restoring degraded habitats.

Furthermore, the Eco Scope Foundation emphasizes the importance of fostering partnerships and collaboration at local, national, and international levels to amplify the impact of conservation efforts and address the complex challenges posed by climate change. Through collective action and shared responsibility, the foundation seeks to leverage the expertise and resources of diverse stakeholders to develop innovative solutions that promote environmental sustainability and enhance the resilience of vulnerable communities.

In addition to its on-the-ground efforts, the Eco Scope Foundation has also leveraged the power of social media as a key advocacy tool in its campaign against climate change. Recognizing the widespread reach and influence of platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn, the foundation has implemented various initiatives to raise awareness, foster dialogue, and mobilize action on climate-related issues.

#### **COLLABORATION AND PATNERSHIPS.**

The Eco Scope Foundation has achieved a significant milestone by formalizing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA), specifically through its Anti-Trafficking Secretariat. This collaboration marks a pivotal step forward in their shared commitment to combatting the traumatic issue of human trafficking

Through this MoU, both parties have solidified their dedication to working hand-in-hand on projects aimed at addressing and ultimately eradicating human trafficking. This agreement underscores the recognition of the seriousness and complexity of the issue, acknowledging that it requires a concerted effort from both governmental and non-governmental entities to effectively tackle it.

Another remarkable accomplishment for the Eco Scope Foundation is the successful signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the PCF (Prison Charity Foundation) and Elimika Wikiendi Organizaion. This MoU signifies a shared commitment to advancing youth and women's participation in political processes, a crucial step towards fostering inclusive and representative governance.

Through this partnership, the Eco Scope Foundation, PCF, and Elimika Wikiendi are joining forces to address the systemic barriers that hinder the full participation of youth and women in political spheres. By pooling their expertise, resources, and networks, they aim to develop and implement comprehensive initiatives that empower these marginalized groups, amplify their voices, and enhance their representation in decision-making bodies.

Adding to our collaborative endeavors, the Eco Scope Foundation is pleased to announce the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Initiative for community Empowerment ICE, solidifying our partnership in Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) and Gender-Based Violence (GBV) projects.

This strategic alliance with ICD signifies a shared commitment to addressing critical social issues affecting communities, particularly in the realms of emotional well-being and gender equality. Through this partnership, we aim to leverage our collective expertise and resources to implement targeted interventions that promote SEL skills and combat GBV.

The Eco Scope Foundation also reached a milestone in our ongoing efforts to combat Gender-Based Violence (GBV), particularly among children in school environments and on the streets. Through the formalization of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Champion Chanzige Organization, we have solidified our commitment to prioritizing the safety and well-being of vulnerable children.

This partnership marks a crucial step forward in our collective mission to address GBV at its roots and create safer environments where children can thrive without fear of harm or exploitation. By focusing on prevention and intervention strategies tailored to the specific challenges faced by children in schools and on the streets, we aim to empower them with the knowledge, skills, and resources needed to protect themselves and seek support when needed.

### Meeting and Event participation.

On January 2024, ESF had the honor of meeting and holding talks with Sr. Fatima Jecintha, the Country Director at SDMIC Tanzania. We agreed to collaborate and work together to positively impact people's lives in the areas of empowerment, finance, education, life skills, and mentorship programs. Additionally, we aim to continue empowering TIP survivors to lead sustainable lives. The conversation was incredibly productive and blessed.







We also had the honor to meet with the executive Director of Tanzania Employment Services Agency (TaESA) Mr. Joseph Nganga. We discussed the availability and accessibility of decent job opportunities, and how our two institutions can cooperate in efforts to serve Tanzanians in this area especially the youth groups. It was such a productive meeting. We thank TaESA for their willingness to work together with ESF.

Again, in strengthening the partnership and collaboration approach, with essential skills both before and after practical training. Daughters of Mary Immaculate DMI Tanzania organized a strategic stakeholder meeting with the aim of discussing the implementation of the Ant trafficking National plan of action 2021-2024.

Eco scope was honored to be part of this productive meeting, learning and sharing insights from the participants on 08.02. 2024.. Strategic meeting at DMI.

On January 9, 2024, the Eco Scope Foundation participated in a conference concerning the revision of Tanzania's foreign policy of 2001. Given our aim for a more robust policy that serves as an effective tool for connecting the nation with opportunities available in foreign countries, we advocate for its utilization to foster innovation and accountability among our ambassadors. This will enhance our relations with other nations, promoting job creation and poverty alleviation in our country.



February 2024 earlier engaged in a productive meeting with the Country Coordinator of **Grace Farms Foundation Africa** Mis. Wisdom Mande. The discussions culminated collaborative agreement to work towards positively impacting the 5 community and individuals. The primary focus of this partnership. were directed towards addressing poverty as a core strategy to reduce vulnerability to human trafficking in Tanzaniaubheading



February 2024, Eco Scope Foundation had the honor of hosting the esteemed Project Manager from Elimika Wikiendi. The meeting marked a pivotal moment as both organizations engaged in fruitful discussions regarding the ongoing partnership and the future trajectory of impactful 'Digital Inclusion for Sustainable Youth Development' project. tailored initiative. implementation in universities colleges across Tanzania, stands as a testament to our shared commitment to empowering the nation's youth for a sustainable future.



In promoting partnership with other institutions, ESF had the opportunity to be visited by the Director of the Initiative for community Empowerment Sister Beatrice Mtobesya, on February 14, 2024. We had a fruitful discussion on potential project collaborations between our organizations, with the main goal being to enhance efforts in addressing the poverty crisis in our country.





On March 27, 2024, the ESF organization had the opportunity to meet and hold discussions with the Elimika Wikiendi and Prison Charity Foundation organization. The main goal was to strengthen the relationships between our institutions and collaborate in various areas to reach communities and empower women and youth.



"KESHO YETU" is a collaborative project between ESF, PCF and Elimika Wikiendi aims to motivating women and Youth to participate in politics. Recognizing that women's involvement in political processes is crucial for achieving sustainable development and poverty alleviation, the project seeks to empower women to take active roles in decision-making. By promoting inclusivity, responsiveness, and equity in policies and strategies, KESHO YETU aims to create a more diverse and representative political landscape that addresses the needs of all members of society, regardless of gender.

# Culmination

"We would like to express our sincere gratitude to all our partners who have graciously collaborated with us, despite the relatively short time we have been operational.



Our shared vision of alleviating poverty within our communities has been the driving force behind our collective efforts. We extend a warm welcome to sponsors, donors, and other stakeholders who wish to join us in this noble cause of improving society. Together, we can make a meaningful impact and create lasting change."

