

SFI ORGANIZATION PROFILE

Empowering communities to Sustain the Future



A Message from Executive Director

Dear Supporters, and partners, As the Executive Director of Sustainable Futures Initiative, I believe in a Tanzania where every individual has access to basic needs, opportunities, and the dignity of sustainable living.



Ms. Upendo Lyimo EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Over the past year, our work has grown in both reach and impact from youth-led beach cleanups and marine conservation, to engaging with global stakeholders at climate summits. We have centered our efforts around empowering local communities, especially in coastal regions, by investing in education, conservation, and advocacy. As we move forward, we remain committed to action that is grounded in justice, equity, and sustainability.

Warm regards,

Upendo Ernest Lyimo Executive Director, Sustainable Futures Initiative.

ABOUT US

Sustainable Futures Initiative (SFI) is a Tanzanian NGO registered under the NGO Act No. 24 of 2002. Our aim is to contribute toward achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through innovative, community-led solutions. We work across environmental, social, and economic development pillars to empower marginalized populations especially women, youth, and coastal communities.

We believe by supporting and expanding community-led biodiversity conservation projects in coastal regions, will foster local stewardship of marine ecosystems. This approach will builds successful models that demonstrate the effectiveness of community involvement in environmental preservation..



OUR VISION

To support Tanzania in achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals by implementing innovative and sustainable solutions that promote economic growth, climate resilient and inclusion.



OUR MISSION

To create a Tanzania where every person has access to basic needs, resources, and opportunities for a dignified and sustainable life. We envision a society that thrives on economic, social, and environmental sustainability and drive development agenda towards a sustainable future.



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Investing in sustainable blue economy initiatives, by improving coastal communities' livelihoods while ensuring marine resource conservation. This includes supporting sustainable fisheries, eco-friendly tourism, and other marine-based economic activities that align with environmental sustainability.



OBJECTIVES

To promote environmental sustainability and climate resilience through impactful initiatives.



To enhance access to quality education and training opportunities



To advocate for policies that address environmental degradation and promote sustainable resource management.

To empower entrepreneurship and innovation to foster social and economic growth



To foster community engagement and participation in sustainable development activities to support the SDGs.



Promote sustainable agriculture practices to enhance food security and reduce environmental impact.



WHERE WE WORK

SFI core ground of Interventions based in Dar es Salaam and Pwani Region focusing on Coastal conservation and Community Reseilience We also engage Nationwide through online campaigns and digital advocacy, reaching all regions of Tanzania.



WE DEMONSTRATE



THEORY OF CHANGE



SFI believes sustainable transformation happens when local communities are not just beneficiaries but key actors in the change process. Our Theory of Change is grounded in five pathways:

- **Empowerment:** Equip communities especially youth and women with tools, education, and voice.
- **Knowledge:** Promote science, traditional knowledge, and innovation through research and awareness.
- **Partnerships**: Mobilize strategic partnerships to cocreate inclusive and just climate solutions.
- **Policy Advocacy:** Influence policies that protect biodiversity, ensure climate justice, and promote equity.
- **Sustainability:** Encourage long-term ecological, economic, and social balance through ecosystem-based approaches and community ownership



OUR FOCUS



- Ecosystems and biodiversity
- Climate change.
- Health, water and food safety.
- Forestry and agriculture.
- Education
- Gender Equality
- Sustainable Cities
- Water and Sanitation



OUR TEAM



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Founded by a collective of passionate changemakers, SFI was born out of a vision to address the interconnected crises facing Tanzania: climate change, inequality, environmental degradation, food insecurity, and the marginalization of youth and women. Since 2023, we have grown into a vibrant organization championing sustainable development through policy advocacy, research, marine protection, and community resilience-building.

OUR NETWORKS & PARTNERS









Climate & Development Knowledge Network



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SDGs we Serve



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