

The speech of Julius Karanja,(2nd from right) from the Kenya Youth Climate Network (KYCN), at the closing ceremony of the 9th International Conference on Community-Based Adaptation (CBA9)

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