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Africa Climate Ventures (ACV) is an investment and venture-building platform dedicated to starting, scaling, and transforming climate businesses across Africa. We support high-growth ventures at the intersection of decarbonisation, resilience, and inclusive green growth.

Our model goes beyond traditional capital deployment. We combine earlystage equity with active venture building, bringing together capital, talent, and strategic partnerships to unlock scalable models in sectors including:

- · Carbon removals (biochar, direct air capture, enhanced rock weathering)
- · Regenerative agriculture and green fertilizers
- · Clean energy and green industrialisation
- · Alternative proteins
- · E-mobility

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Tell us about ACV, highlighting key milestones and achievements in the industry.

Since its inception, ACV has built a portfolio of high-impact ventures across carbon removals, regenerative agriculture, clean energy and green industrialisation.

Key milestones include:

- Launching and capitalising ventures such as Great Carbon Valley, Safi Organics, KOKO Networks Rwanda, and Temvelo.
- Mobilising over US\$10 million in early-stage investments alongside catalytic co-investment partners.
- Developing an evergreen / HoldCo hybrid investment model to align long-term liquidity with impact outcomes.
- Actively unlocking carbon credit opportunities within its portfolio by integrating carbon finance into venture models enabling companies to monetise verified removals, offsets, and emissions reductions.

Through this approach, ACV is building Africa's climate economy by combining capital, talent, and carbon innovation to deliver scalable climate solutions and sustainability-linked returns.

Please share an overview of your key priorities, strategic objectives and corporate goals over the next 12 months

Over the next 12 months, ACV aims to strengthen its position as a leading climate venture-building and investment platform in Africa's private capital ecosystem.

Our strategic priorities include:

- Capital Mobilisation: Advancing our capital raise toward a US\$25-30 million close, anchored by catalytic and commercial investors.
- **Portfolio Growth:** Expanding from four to up to ten ventures across carbon removals, regenerative agriculture, clean energy, and e-mobility.
- Carbon Monetisation: Unlocking verified carbon credits within our portfolio to create new revenue streams and strengthen Africa's participation in global carbon markets.
- Value Amplification: Driving strong governance, ESG performance, and measurable climate outcomes.

Our overarching goal is to bridge private capital and carbon innovation to scale Africa's most transformative climate ventures.



What unique strengths, expertise, or strategic approach does your organisation bring to the industry?

ACV brings a differentiated model that blends venture building with catalytic investment, uniquely positioned to accelerate Africa's transition to a low-carbon and climate-resilient economy. Unlike traditional funds, ACV operates as a HoldCo / PCV, enabling long-term value creation, flexible liquidity, and alignment with sustainability-linked returns.

Our team combines deep experience across consulting, private equity, venture capital, and carbon finance, allowing us to structure and scale ventures that are both commercially viable and climate-positive. We provide hands-on operational support, governance, and access to strategic partnerships that derisk early-stage climate ventures.

ACV's approach contributes to Africa's private capital ecosystem by crowding in institutional and catalytic investors, creating investable pathways for climate solutions, and unlocking carbon as a new asset class, thereby linking impact, innovation, and financial performance.

What are ACV's core values and how do they contribute to your success in the industry?

At ACV, our work is anchored in five core values: Integrity, Courage, Collaboration, Climate-First, and Impact-Driven Execution. These principles guide how we invest, build, and lead every day.

We uphold integrity through transparent decision-making and governance; courage by backing pioneering ideas that challenge convention; and collaboration by co-creating solutions with entrepreneurs, investors, and communities. Our climate-first mindset ensures every investment advances decarbonisation and resilience, while impact-driven execution keeps us focused on measurable results and sustainable growth.

These values have cultivated a disciplined, purpose-aligned culture that balances financial performance with social and environmental outcomes. They are the foundation of ACV's long-term success - building trust with partners, attracting mission-aligned capital, and ensuring the ventures we create today remain relevant, scalable, and resilient for decades to come.

What motivated ACV to join AVCA?

ACV joined AVCA to collaborate within Africa's leading private capital community and to contribute a strong climate investment perspective to the evolving ecosystem. As a venture-building platform deploying catalytic capital into climate-positive businesses, ACV sees AVCA as a vital forum for knowledge exchange, industry advocacy, and investor connectivity.

Our motivation is to engage with peers shaping the continent's investment landscape, share insights on integrating carbon finance, blended structures, non-conventional fund structures, and strengthen the bridge between impact capital and mainstream private equity and venture investing.

Through AVCA, we aim to deepen relationships with DFIs, institutional investors, and fellow fund managers, elevate best practices in ESG and climate finance, and collectively position African private capital as a driver of global climate innovation and inclusive growth.

How is ACV redefining the role of private capital in Africa's climate transition?

ACV is helping to shape a new approach to climate investment in Africa; one that integrates venture building, catalytic finance, carbon monetisation and impact, within a single platform. By operating through a HoldCo / PCV structure, ACV bridges early-stage innovation with long-term private capital, creating flexible pathways for investors to participate in Africa's growing climate economy.

Our model goes beyond providing capital: we co-create and scale ventures that deliver measurable climate outcomes, commercial returns, and verified carbon credits. This approach helps to de-risk climate innovation and ensures that African entrepreneurs and investors play a central role in the continent's decarbonisation journey -

positioning private capital as a driver of climate impact and sustainable growth.



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