



## **Selection of Consumers International representative for the International Food Security & Nutrition Civil Society Mechanism for Relations with the CFS (UN Committee on World Food Security)**

CI has selected KIMERA HENRY RICHARD, on the basis that he fulfills the criteria laid out in the *(Draft) Terms of Reference for the Coordination Committee*.

Kimera is chief executive of Consumer Education Trust (CONSENT) Uganda, a member of Consumers International member.

CONSENT is a consumer awareness and advocacy organization in Uganda that works for a socially informed, equitable and just society through consumer empowerment, promotion of sustainable consumption and ethical practices among business and engagement of policymakers to enact pro-people policies for present and future generations.



Kimera has a vast knowledge and experience in food security and nutrition related policies and programs both in terms of his organisation's work in Uganda as well as at the international level.

Kimera is active in the CI network among the 44 African members and among the global network of over 220 members. He has worked in the consumer movement since 1993, with 5 years working in youth empowerment prior to that.

Kimera has represented and presented papers on consumer agendas on food safety, right to food, sustainable consumption, cleaner production, green economy, trade justice and service delivery among others.

Currently, coordinating consumer organizations in the five EAC countries to form an East Africa Consumer Organizations Federation and integrate it into the EAC cooperation mechanisms with an observer status in Arusha, Tanzania at the EAC Secretariat.

Kimera is a Member of International, Regional and National Committees & Boards:

- National Food Safety and Hygiene Advisory Committee
- National Biosafety Committee (NBC)
- National GlobalGAP Technical Committee
- National Task Force on Standards & Quality Policy, Strategy and Legal framework
- National Codex Committee & National Standards Technical Committees on Food, Agriculture, Chemicals, Environment and Consumer Products
- National Task force Committees that formulated the Food and Nutrition Policy and Strategy, Food Safety Strategy, Food Safety Bill, Food and Nutrition Bill, Food Fortification, Organic and Horticulture Policies, GlobalGAP and EAC Organic Standards.
- Founding and Board member, Uganda Organic Certification organization (UgoCert)
- Board and founding member, Food Rights Alliance, Uganda – Right to Food advocacy alliance
- CI delegate CODEX, ISO and representative to EU-ACP Follow-up Committee – European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)
- Facilitator at a monthly Africa Consumer Protection Teleconference Dialogues organized and facilitated by the US Federal Trade Commission – Consumer Affairs Division and CI Africa

- Facilitator at the Annual Africa Consumer Protection Conference organized and facilitated by US FTC and CI Africa
- Former member – Right to Food Advocacy, Awareness and Campaign initiative of a consortium of North and South NGOs – FIAN, German Watch, Bothends and UK Food Group
- Former Member of the National Food and Nutrition Council
- Former Member of Uganda delegations to the WTO Ministerial Meetings, CODEX and ISO.