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Kibera celebrates recovered peace



Neville Omondi, VoicesofAfrica alumnus, Nairobi, Kenya - About two years after the post-electoral nightmare that badly affected the Kibera residents in Nairobi, the same residents marked on Monday their World Peace Day by joyfully marching on the slum's streets, singing and raising awareness about preventing conflicts. [View the video](#)

Cameroon: The Muanengouba Twin Lakes



Walter Wilson Nana, VoicesofAfrica alumnus, Buea, Cameroon - There are many lakes in Cameroon and other parts of the world. But there are also the twin lakes, located in the Kupe Muanengouba Division, Southwest Region of Cameroon. Christened Lakes Muanengouba, you will be discovering this exceptional natural, geographic and tourist feature in our videos. [View the video](#)

Picturesque Tanzania yet to be discovered



Abisae Maeda, VoicesofAfrica alumnus, Arusha, Tanzania - Local residents in the northern region of Arusha are calling the government of Tanzania to put local touristic attractions on its agenda so to increase tourism-generated incomes. Locals are also urging their fellow countrymen to look first home before planning long journeys to national parks. [View the video](#)

Kenya: Firewood still most used for cooking



Peris Wairimu, VoicesofAfrica alumna, Meru, Kenya - At least 95 percent of Kenyans living in the rural areas use wood as the major source of fuel in cooking, heating and also providing light. However the proportion of wood used as fuel differs very much in different parts of the world depending on other availability of other types of fuel. African continent consumes lot of timber and wood as domestic fuel. [View the video](#)

Livelihood initiatives in coastal Cameroon



Walter Wilson Nana, VoicesofAfrica alumnus, Buea, Cameroon - The Bakossi Landscape Area has three protected forests. These include; Bakossi National Park, Kupe proposed Integral Ecological Reserve and Muanengouba proposed Integral Ecological Reserve. [View the video](#)

Nairobi: Alternatives to expensive food items



Beryl Omonya, VoicesofAfrica mobile reporter in Nairobi, Kenya - Owing to the high cost of food prices experienced in most parts of Kenya Nairobi's Kibera residents have come up with a way of curbing the situation. They plant vegetables like Kale commonly known as sukuma wiki, spinach and spring onions. They are provided with seedlings and fertilizer by a group known as solidarity. [View the video](#)

Editorial

Community reporting and nature



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-This October newsletter is definitely dominated by nature and environment-related reports. I would say that it is normal, because people live in permanent contact with nature. The most interesting aspect is how mobile reporters bring out the small details and pose the questions that are difficult to answer. For instance, Peris Wairimu investigates the use of firewood in Meru, Kenya, and finds that it is still the most popular energy source. Yet, locals know that each piece of wood that is put into fire contributes to climate change. Walter Nana from Cameroon focuses on something else: the Muanengouba Lakes, the blue-coloured female, and the green-coloured male. These two wonderful lakes, together with a picturesque waterfall featured by Abisae Maeda in Tanzania, shows that nature still has many beauties to discover, but also and most importantly, to preserve.

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