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Amanda Gcanga is a Country Lead for the Climate Resilience and a Senior Urban Policy Analyst working with WRI teams in Africa and the headquarters. She also oversees all WRI Cities related initiatives in South Africa, including climate action and Just Energy Transition.

As a Country Lead, she guides the implementation of the climate resilience initiative in South Africa, including leading the development of South Africa's strategy, identification of strategic intervention, collaboration areas, represent the cities work in South Africa, and management of partnerships.

In her capacity as a policy analyst, she plays a central role in liaising with key stakeholders at the national government and local government level to create conducive ground for WRI's support on the urban development policy, providing technical support to key partners and identification of WRI's policy-level interventions in Africa.

Amanda has experience in water governance as a practitioner and a researcher. Prior to joining WRI, Amanda headed a water programme at the Western Cape Economic Development Partnership based in Cape Town. Before joining the Western Cape Economic Development Partnership, she managed water governance projects with the Water Institute of Stellenbosch University, Wageningen University and Research, and the Centre for Water and Sanitation Research.

Amanda holds a master's degree in international Land and Water Management at Wageningen University in the Netherlands.