



"Adaptation to climate change for the most vulnerable: Lessons learnt from the Adaptation Fund and beyond"

Conference concept (as of 25 June 2013)

Date: Tuesday, 2nd July, Bonn

Organiser: Adaptation Fund NGO Network/Germanwatch

Venue: Gustav-Stresemann-Institut, Langer Grabenweg 68, 53175 Bonn, www.gsi-bonn.de

On the occasion of the 21st meeting of the Adaptation Fund Board, the Adaptation Fund NGO Network hosted by Germanwatch will organise a one-day conference aiming to bring together a number of experts from governments, civil society, academia to discuss current challenges and approaches to address adaptation. Particular emphasis will be on the linkages between food security and adaptation, adaptation in cities in developing countries, and opportunities, challenges and lessons learnt of greater developing country ownership through direct access. The experience related to the Adaptation Fund as one important funding instrument on adaptation will receive particular attention, including through the involvement of civil society members of the AF NGO Network from South Africa, Cambodia, Benin, Jamaica, Senegal, Tanzania, Kenya and Honduras.

Key envisaged outcomes include

- an improved understanding of the challenges of climate change in the food security context, and potential approaches for adaptation;
- an improved understanding of adaptation options and challenges in major cities in developing countries;
- enhanced clarity on challenges and opportunities related to direct access;
- increased understanding of the role of the Adaptation Fund in promoting adaptation in poor developing countries;
- increased linkages between actors working on climate change adaptation and finance, and food security and challenges in cities.

Provisional agenda

Time	Session title and speakers
11.00	Welcome and conference introduction
	<i>Introduction to conference objectives</i> Alpha Kaloga, Germanwatch/AF NGO Network
	<i>The global adaptation policy set-up and the role of the Adaptation Fund</i> Sven Harmeling, Germanwatch/AF NGO Network
11.30 to 1	Session title: "Creating climate-resilient food security for the poor - key challenges, options and implications for adaptation finance"
	Inputs: <i>Food Security in a changing climate - key risks, limits and challenges</i> Dr. Koko Warner, UN University - Institute for Environment and Human Security, Bonn
	<i>Approaches to ensuring food security - an overview of the AF portfolio related to food security</i> Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat
	<i>Lessons learnt from WFP adaptation actions</i> Tania Osejo, World Food Programme



	<p><i>Food security and climate resilience in Cambodia - what implications through AF and PPCR funding?</i> Tek Vanara, NGO Forum Cambodia</p> <p>Panel discussion with speakers</p> <p><i>Facilitation</i> Madeleen Helmer, Red Cross/Red Crescent Climate Centre</p>
1 to 2	lunch break
2 to 3.30	<p>Session title: Climate change adaptation for the urban poor - what lessons learnt from and for the Adaptation Fund?</p> <p><i>Keynote</i> <i>Resilience and Adaptation for Urban Poor - Challenges and Initiatives - Regional and Global perspectives from Local Governments</i> Barbara Anton, International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI)</p> <p><i>Panel discussion</i> Isaac Ferrera, Fundacion Vida, Honduras (via skype) Fazal Issa, ForumCC, Tanzania Barbara Anton, ICLEI Raju Chetri, Clean Energy Nepal</p> <p><i>Facilitation</i> Britta Horstmann, German Development Institute (DIE) (tbc)</p>
3.30 to 4.30	Extended coffee break and interactive exchange on experience with AF projects from a number of developing countries
4.30 to 6	<p>Session title: Direct access in the AF and the GCF - enhanced ownership for better results or increased risks?</p> <p><i>Input</i> Neil Bird, Overseas Development Institute (ODI)</p> <p><i>Panel discussion</i> Mandy Barnett, South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI) (via skype)</p> <p>Frank Fass-Metz, German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) (tbc)</p> <p>Hans-Olav Ibrekk, Chair of the Adaptation Fund Board</p> <p>Neil Bird, ODI</p> <p>Bruno Bandao, Transparency International</p> <p><i>Facilitation and closing remarks</i> Bettina Koelle, Indigo Development and Change, South Africa</p> <p><i>Reception and get-together</i></p>

Venue

The venue will be the Gustav-Stresemann-Institut in Bonn: <http://www.gsi-bonn.de/en/kontakt/anreise/index.htm>

Participation and registration

Participation is free of charge. Please register until 26 June through <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1EWQhhOUTw6j5eEquOoYEWwNmSitiemdOmuWRhYlnV58/vie wform>



Webcast

The conference will be webcast. Please register at the above link and mark the column for "only webcast" with a 1.

Attendance of meeting of the Adaptation Fund Board

We would like to make participants aware that they could also attend the 21st meeting of the Adaptation Fund as observers. It takes place on 3 and 4 July, 2013, at Langer Eugen in Bonn. Registration is open to every organisation accredited under the UNFCCC. **The registration closes at 26 June.** See www.adaptation-fund.org for more information or register at: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?usp=drive_web&formkey=dEtIOfNGVXM1SmpHN29KaFpmLXF5dUE6MA#gid=0

