

Global ambition Local action Climate resilience for all #DCdays19



Event Programme

































During Development and Climate Days 2019 we will explore the ambitious plans and transformational systems that are needed to deliver climate resilience for all. We will highlight thinking from diverse sectors, ranging from food and agriculture, to finance, cities and infrastructure and biodiversity.

The 17th annual D&C Days will continue to build on the topic of 'Global ambition. Local action. Climate resilience for all', and will focus on five themes:



Building resilient food and agriculture systems

Transformative actions are urgently needed within agriculture and food systems. From smallholders to large agri-food businesses, field to fork, actions must include the entire food value chain. This theme explores how to build capacities, track progress and support more climateresilient agriculture and food systems.



Financing a resilient future

Climate finance must reach the local level, where climate impacts are felt most acutely. With this goal, this theme asks how can we strengthen resilience, using effective finance mechanisms that respond to the needs and challenges of climate change impacts?



Early warning, early action to leave no one behind

Recognising that the poorest, most vulnerable people are also most at risk of being left behind by national efforts to adapt, this theme showcases how we can improve the financing, flexibility and effectiveness of early warning, early action systems.



Establishing resilient cities and infrastructure

Join us to reimagine the climate-resilient cities of the future. We will explore local examples of resilient planning, innovative approaches for developing cities, and the potential of climate-resilient infrastructure; all of which we can take to city planners to promote risk-informed policy and establish resilient systems and infrastructure.



Working with nature to build resilience

This theme explores the importance of working with nature to build a resilient future in areas including agriculture systems, cities and infrastructure networks. As support for and uptake of nature-based solutions in climate policy grows, we will look at the opportunities and challenges around scaling-up solutions based on lessons learnt on the ground.

This year's event is organised by a partnership between the Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre (RCCC), International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED), EIT Climate-KIC, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Global Resilience Partnership (GRP), International Development Research Centre (IDRC), United Nations Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) and the V20/G20 InsuResilience Global Partnership for Climate and Disaster Risk Finance and Insurance.

Contributing partners to this year's event are the Asian Development Bank (ADB), International Centre for Climate Change and Development, Mercy Corps, NAP Global Network, RIMISP – Latin American Center for Rural Development and World Resources Institute.

Sunday 8 December 2019

8:00-9:00

Check-in

9:00-9:15

Welcome by Carina Bachofen, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre **Opening remarks by Andrew Norton,** Director, IIED

Room: Isabella Ballroom

9:15-10:15

1: PLENARY

Setting the scene for Development & Climate Days 2019

Room: Isabella Ballroom

Facilitator: Carina Bachofen, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre

In the context of the five D&C Days themes we will set the scene for this year's event. Opening with a reflection on what has happened during the first week of COP25, and sharing insights on what can be expected from week two, with a particular focus on the LDC perspective of the negotiations.

Tenzin Wangmo, lead negotiator for the Least Developed Countries (LDC) Group at the UN climate negotiations in conversation with **Saleem Huq**, director of the International Centre for Climate Change and Development

We will introduce the five themes that anchor the programme and give some background on their importance at the grassroots level, and how they relate to UNFCCC plans and priorities.

- Building resilient food and agriculture systems Sylvie Wabbes-Candotti, FAO
- 2 Early warning, early action to leave no one behind Carina Bachofen, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre
- 3 Financing a resilient future Barry Smith, IIED
- 4 Establishing resilient cities, infrastructure and energy systems Zinta Zommers, UNDRR
- 6 Working with nature to build resilience Xiaoting Hou Jones, IIED

We will end with a chance for participants to develop 1-4 lines of verse about the D&C Days themes, how they relate to their work on the ground and anything important they would like to see covered at D&C Days. We will return to these later in the day.

Facilitated by Pablo Suarez, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre

Also featuring Satellite Art by Santiago Espeche.

10:15-10:30

Move to sessions (no coffee break)

10:30-11:45 ② 2A: Challenging the climate finance status quo: how can we stimulate engagement and harness innovation to trigger greater private sector investment?

Lead organisations: EIT Climate-KIC, IIED

Room: Isabella Ballroom

Using Force Field Analysis, participants will bring their own observations and cases studies to explore how to shift private sector investments towards adaptation and resilience, challenging the current climate finance status quo. We will also seek ways to encourage innovative solutions and form collaborations for generating new ideas, triggering more investment and tracking finance.

Facilitators:

- Felicity Spors, EIT Climate-KIC
- Barry Smith, IIED

Confirmed speakers:

- Alec Crawford, IDRC
- Tom Mitchell, EIT Climate-KIC
- 2C: How can we track progress on climate resilience
- and adaptation for agriculture and food systems at national, subnational and local levels?

Lead organisations: A2R/FA0, WRI/GCA, CGIAR/CCAFS Room: Sydney

This session will present and discuss a set of proposed interventions that are needed to build climate resilience and adaptation of agri-food systems; and then explore, via a world café, essential parameters and indicators to track progress in climate resilience and adaptation for agriculture and food systems at national, subnational and local levels.

Facilitators:

- Sylvie Wabbes-Candotti, FAO
- Cristina Rumbaitis del Rio, WRI/GCA

Confirmed speakers:

- Sylvie Wabbes-Candotti, FAO
- Cristina Rumbaitis del Rio, WRI/GCA
- Deissy Martinez Baron, CIAT and CCAFS
- Val Kappos, UNEP-WCMC
- Yiching Song, CCAP
- Rebecca Carter, World Resources Institute

2B: What are the realities of dealing with local climate-related hazards and policy dilemmas, and can we help find solutions?

Lead organisations: UNDRR, WRI/GCA, Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure

Room: Tokyo

Locally rooted knowledge and experience is key to building climate-resilience, however local voices can be rare in international forums or policy exchanges. Motivated by a desire to hear, and promote, local perspectives on global climate problems, we bring together a wealth of grassroots experience, from a North American indigenous activist to an African sustainability advocate, to present their situations, problems and policies for discussion or developing potential solutions.

Facilitator: David Stevens, UNDRR

Confirmed speakers:

- Andrew Kruczkiewicz, Columbia University-International Research Institute for Climate and Society
- Jennifer Uchendu, Sustyvibes
- Arghya Sinha Roy, Asian Development Bank
- Jacob John, Backbone Campaign
- 2D: Moving from plans to action: what are the opportunities for translating global commitments, to improve early warning systems, to national reality?

Lead organisations: Red Cross Red Cresent Climate Centre, WRI/GCA, IISD

Room: Madrid

This session will highlight opportunities and challenges for landing global aspirations for improved early warning systems in national institutional realities, in ways that address the concerns facing the most vulnerable. Participants will learn from promising experiences and be able to share their own tips and lessons learned from the same.

Confirmed speakers:

- John Harding, Head, CREWS Secretariat at WMO
- **Germán Romero,** National Planning Department Colombia
- Green Climate Fund Representative (TBC)

11:45-12:15 Coffee break (Lobby)

12:15-13:30 **3**A: Challenging the misunderstandings and charting a way forward: what is needed to make gender-responsive climate finance a reality?

Lead organisations: IISD, IDRC

Room: Isabella Ballroom

This session confronts the assumptions and oversimplifications that have characterised some discussions about gender-responsive climate finance until now. Participants have the opportunity to challenge these misunderstandings and identify what needs to be done differently to realise the potential of gender-responsive climate finance to strengthen resilience, including at the local level.

Confirmed speakers:

- Angie Dazé, IISD/NAP Global Network
- Ayesha Constable, Ministry of Economic Growth and Job Creation, Jamaica
- Daniel Morchain, IISD/NAP Global Network
- Tara Daniel, WEDO
- 3C: Farm to table adaptation: how can we work with the private sector to deliver adaptation across agricultural value chains?

Lead organisations: IISD, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre, WBCSD

Room: Sydney

It is imperative for businesses to demonstrate more leadership on climate adaptation and resilience. This interactive session will focus on how civil society can better understand and work with the private sector, highlighting the ideal support and enabling conditions required, to engage in adaptation planning and resilience building across agricultural value chains.

Confirmed speakers:

- Vũ Đức Đam Quang, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
- Madan Pariyar, iDE
- Carina Bachofen, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre
- Alec Crawford, NAP Global Network

- 3B: How can we ensure we consider, use and
- develop innovative and ambitious approaches to designing climate-resilient cities?

Lead organisation: UNDRR

Room: Tokyo

Progress towards resilient, sustainable, safe cities has accelerated in recent years. As development challenges become more complex it is necessary to seek transformative, innovative solutions. With presentations on innovative risk financing, climate adaptation decision-making, and nature-based solutions to climate change, this interactive session cuts across the D&C Days themes to explore several exciting, innovative initiatives that have the potential to catalyse urban resilience.

Facilitator: Zinta Zommers, UNDRR

Confirmed speakers:

- Carlos Sanchez, Willis Towers Watson
- Esther Muiruri, Kenyan Red Cross
- Robert Kay, ICF
- Val Kapos, UNEP-WCMC

2 3D: Climate grief and resilience in a sea of warnings: can we move from darkness to illumination?

Lead organisations: Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre, IFRC Reference Centre for Psychosocial Support, EIT Climate-KIC, AARF Resilience Center Room: Madrid

This session offers an emotionally intense, intellectually rich, serious-yet-fun exploration of "climate grief" (the unfortunately growing presence of anxiety, depression and loss of wellbeing, driven by the ongoing, anticipated impacts of climate change). The session will enable participants to understand and address the darkness emerging among those who are simultaneously informed and sensitive about changing climate risks.

Facilitator: Pablo Suarez, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre

Confirmed speakers:

- Soundscape & music design: Nacho Román Pérez, Spanish Red Cross
- Satellite Pareidolia: Santiago Espeche, Argentina
- 'NeuroScience in Action' by Peter Jin Hong, Google
- 'Humanitarian experiences' by Ea Suzanne Akash, IFRC Reference Centre for PsychoSocial Support
- Scott Williams, EIT Climate-KIC
- Rebeka Ryvola, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre

14:30-15:45 **4**A: Can remittances help communities prepare for disasters?

Lead organisations: Columbia University-IRI, Mercy Corps, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre Room: Tokyo

This interactive session introduces how remittances can be used with Early Warning Systems (EWS) as a potentially powerful tool in the fight against disasters. Private sector financial organisations, experts on EWS and practitioners seeking innovative solutions to finance early action are invited, to uncover existing challenges and explore harnessing the power of remittances to help better prepare for disasters.

Confirmed speakers:

- Andrew Kruczkiewicz, Columbia University-International Research Institute for Climate and Society / Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre
- Ann Vaughan, Mercy Corps
- Hafij Khan, ICCCAD
- Zinta Zommers, UNDRR

4C: What is the role of social protection in building climate resilience?

Lead organisations: FAO, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre, IIED, DIE, UNDRR, InsuResilience Room: Madrid

This highly interactive session will explore how social protection can help us shift from reactive to proactive actions, by adopting integrated climate risk management approaches that tackle the underlying causes of vulnerability to climate change. Specifically, we will address the benefits of managing climate risks, ask whether existing systems are adequate and how they can be more efficient to support vulnerable communities.

Facilitators: Pablo Suarez and, remotely, Cecilia Costella, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre

Confirmed speakers:

- Federico Spano, FAO
- August Granath, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre
- Mariya Aleksandrova, DIE
- Zinta Zommers, UNDRR
- Katharina Nett, UnsuResilience
- Simon Addison/ Ritu Bharadwaj, IIED

4B: What are the nature-based innovations required to build resilient basins from source to sea?

Lead organisations: **GRP, TNC, AGWA, WRI/GCA**Room: Sydney

Basins are hotbeds of biodiversity and provide critical ecosystem services in the form of food, water and livelihoods to billions. Climate change presents a new range of threats, drivers, and uncertainties to maintaining the resilience of basins. This session will highlight initiatives and cutting edge research that use nature-based solutions to build resilient basins from source to sea.

Facilitator: Nathanial Matthews, GRP

Confirmed speakers:

- Karen Sack, Ocean Unite
- Ingrid Timboe, Alliance for Global Water Adaptation
- Fernando Veiga, TNC Latin America
- **Afsari Begum,** Practical Action Bangladesh
- Aparna Shrivastava, Mercy Corps
- Liviam Cordeiro, Centro Latino Americano para el Desarrollo Rural (By video)
- Martin Shouler, ARUP
- Yuka Makino, FAO

4D: How can approaches to local adaptation finance be scaled up?

Lead organisations: WRI/GCA, IIED

Room: Amsterdam

This session will look at financing mechanisms and actions at different levels of governance from the international to the national to the local. After initial presentations, participants will explore the detail in three smaller sections, bringing their own experiences to the discussion, and then linking everything together in plenary to provide a panoramic perspective on how local adaptation finance can be scaled up.

Facilitator: Barry Smith, IIED

Confirmed speakers:

- Arghya Sinha Roy, Asian Development Bank
- Nisha Krishnan, WRI/GCA
- Yacouba Deme, Near East Foundation / DCF Alliance
- Edith Villanueva, AMPB (Alianza Mesoamericana de Pueblos y Bosques)

15:45-16:15 Coffee break (Lobby)

16:15-18:00

- 5: PLENARY High-level closing panel: Moving into 2020 and beyond
- 2 Lead organisations: IIED, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre, GRP
- 3 Room: Isabella Ballroom

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• The D&C Days closing session will focus on what's ahead - moving into 2020 and beyond, how can we link D&C Days key messages to major milestones and, more importantly, ensure messages are resonating with key agents for change ranging from the grassroots to the major global institutions shaping how funding flows and policies address the needs of the most vulnerable.

Reflecting the participatory and inclusive nature of D&C days and the commitment to highlight the role of local actors and local civil society this panel will not be a traditional panel of "high level people" only, and will include representatives from communities most affected by climate change in an interactive climate justice dialogue – where everyone participates as equals.

Panel reflections chaired by **Megan Rowling**, correspondent with the Thomson Reuters Foundation and the editor for Zilient.org

Confirmed speakers:

- Bisola Akinmuyiwa, Slum/Shack Dwellers International
- Sheela Patel, Founder and Director of Society for the Promotion of Area Resource Centres (SPARC)
- · Louise Cord, Global Director for Social Development, World Bank
- Saleem Huq, Director of the International Centre for Climate Change and Development

D&C Days will end with a partially improvised participatory *Huayno & Candombe* performance of traditional music from South America and Spain. The lyrics will emerge from D&C Days; in particular submissions from participants in the opening plenary and the statements by high-level speakers during the closing session. Participants will be invited to join the performers in song and percussion.

18:00-18:15

Closing reflections by Deon Nel, CEO, Global Resilience Partnership

Room: Isabella Ballroom