

UN System Side Event on Adaptation to Climate Change

13:20-14:40, 8 December 2010

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The United Nations system is taking concerted action to assist countries and vulnerable communities therein, especially those vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change, to manage climate-related risks in their efforts to achieve sustainable socio-economic development. Building on its wealth of expertise and broad partnerships with governments, civil society and other partners, the UN system stands ready to support the implementation of the emerging adaptation framework being discussed under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

The UN System Side Event on Adaptation to Climate Change will demonstrate the capability and readiness of the UN system to collectively support countries in developing and implementing adaptation policies, programmes and projects. Five leading UN agencies and programmes will present a range of concrete adaptation actions being jointly implemented in support for the development and implementation of adaptation policies, programmes and projects in the following areas:

- Adaptation and development
- Science for adaptation
- Human settlements
- Disaster risk reduction
- National level actions

**The event will be chaired by
H.E. Mr Anote Tong, President of the Republic of Kiribati.**

Agenda

13:20-13:30	Welcome and introduction
13:30-13:35	Adaptation under the UNFCCC
13:35-14:25	Adaptation efforts by the UN system <ul style="list-style-type: none">• United Nations Development Programme, Ms Helen Clark, Administrator• World Meteorological Organization, Mr Michel Jarraud, Secretary-General• United Nations Human Settlements Programme, Ms. Axumite Gebre-Egziabher, Director, Shelter and Sustainable Human Settlements Development Division• United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction, Ms Helena Molin Valdes, Deputy Director• World Food Programme, Mr Stanlake Samkange, WFP Country Director, Uganda
14:25-14:35	General discussion
14:35-14:40	Summary and closing

♦ Participants are requested to arrive by 13:10, since for security reasons doors will close at 13:20.

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