



Government of the Netherlands



**Side event COP26**  
**Addressing financial and capacity barriers for climate resilience**  
**in Low-to-Middle Income Countries**

**Time:** Tuesday 9 Nov 11.30-12.45h (UK time)

**Location:** Side Event Room 3 - Derwentwater (44 pax); Area C – [see site map](#).

**Session overview**

**Moderator:**

**Simon O’Connell, CEO, SNV Netherlands Development Organisation**

**Opening remarks:**

**Jahan Chowdhury, NDC Partnership**

**Keynotes:**

- **Evan Girvetz, Programme Lead Finance and Investments for Climate Action, CGIAR (CIAT, IRRI, IWMI, ILRI)**
- **Patty Fong, Programme Director, Global Alliance for the Future of Food**

**Panellists:**

- **Ms. Irene Chekwoti, Senior Climate Change Officer, Ministry of Water and Environment, Govt of Uganda**
- **Denis Karema, CEO Sokofresh**
- **Dr. Mithika Mwenda, Executive Director PACJA**

**Closing remarks:**

**Ms. Kitty van der Heijden, Director General for International Cooperation, Netherlands’ Ministry of Foreign Affairs**