

Invitation:

You are cordially invited to join **The Nature Conservancy** for a side event:

Confronting China's climate challenges – Nature-based solutions to mitigation and adaptation

Thursday, 17 May 2012 20:00—21:30
METRO (MoT)

Recent discussions on climate change have included focus on the Green Economy and on enhancing the resilience of nature and people in the face of climate change. The Nature Conservancy invites you to join the discussion with our key Chinese partners of the two hands-on applications of these concepts in China.

Rigorous **Forest Carbon Accounting** systems are an essential tool in the fight against climate change. Nevertheless, initial efforts to Reduce Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD+) still await full development; robust accounting systems must be their foundation in order to ensure environmental integrity and the confidence of investors and REDD+ countries. Accurate, transparent and complete accounting of GHG removals are a difficult task – taking into account ecosystem values in the measuring on top, to capture important co-benefits, is even more challenging. TNC will present their Forest Carbon Accounting work in China, including pilot projects with partners, where the objectives of removing carbon from the atmosphere using forest projects has been successfully combined with enhancing other ecosystem services.

Ecosystem-based approaches to Adaptation (EBA) link adaptation, conservation of biodiversity and local communities' needs. TNC and our Chinese partners will introduce the climate change adaptation challenges China faces and the nature-based adaptation solutions we proposed. Closely working together with Chinese government, TNC has already mapped 32 priority areas for ecosystem-based adaptation in China, and is now working to advance the concept.

Moderation: Sascha Müller-Kraenner, Director TNC Europe

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| 20:00 | Welcome by MA Jian , Director of TNC China Climate Change Project |
| 20:05
-20:20 | WANG Chunfeng , China's leading negotiator of Forest Carbon,
Topic: <i>Coping with Climate Change - Forestry Actions in China</i> |
| 20:20
20:40 | ZHANG Xiaoquan , Senior Scientist of Climate Change, TNC China
Topic: <i>TNC's Forest Carbon actions and outlook in China</i> |
| 20:40
-20:55 | LI Yue , leading negotiator of Climate Change Adaptation
Topic: <i>Climate change adaptation actions in China</i> |
| 20:55
21:15 | CHEN Ai , Climate Change Adaptation project manager of TNC China
Topic: <i>Ranking climate change impact in China's 32 Priority Conservation Areas and Marching to Ecosystem-base Adaptation</i> |
| 21:15-
21:25 | Discussion, Q&A |
| 21:25-
21:30 | Sascha Müller-Kraenner , Director TNC Europe
Summary – <i>The implications of the nature-based solutions in China in the international negotiations</i> |
| 21:30 | Informal getting together
Drinks and snacks will be provided by the organisers |



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