

Side Event

'Adaptation to CC and DRR Two topics with similar content and goal'

the Side event will take place on Tuesday, December 8 at 20.00h - 21.30h
Room: Saxo Grammaticus

The German Committee for Disaster Reduction (DKKV) is the National Platform for Disaster Reduction within the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (ISDR) of the United Nations.

The side event jointly organised by the German Committee for Disaster Reduction and its members aims to underline the causal relation between the two topics in a number of different sectors – especially in view of extreme weather events. These links have already received growing acceptance in the scientific as well as the humanitarian and development community. However, the integration of both fields of work has hardly been put into practice. The need to do so is obvious and it is time to act now.

The side event will be opened with a short welcome and introduction of the panelists done by DKKV. Following the opening each of the panelists will be asked to give a presentation/statement on how their organization deals with incorporation of disaster risk reduction into its adaptation concepts.

The composition of the panel is challenging as different agencies can provide their specific focus on sectors of sustainable development with regard to Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction.

The presentation of UNISDR and IFRC will provide a more international framework from the strategic and practical point of view.

The following presentation of Welthungerhilfe, GTZ and InWEnt will provide an interesting insight into the broad variety of expertise of German organisations.

Sequence:

UNISDR: the International Framework

IFRC: the standpoint of the Red Cross/Red Crescent Movement

Welthungerhilfe: Food Security under conditions of a changing climate

InWEnt: Capacity Building for adapting to Climate Change

GTZ: Climate Proofing for Development – Adaptation to Climate Change in practice

The following moderated discussion should be guided by the questions

- 1) What are the biggest challenges from your viewpoint as humanitarian /development agency to be addressed?
- 2) What are the major barriers to overcome in your daily work?
- 3) What is your vision of a climate regime that enables human society to deal with the consequences of Climate Change?
- 4) How can the DRR and CCA communities link up following the COP 15 conference in order to establish the necessary linkage and exploit the advantages?

at the closing there will be the opportunity for each panelist to give a short sentence.

Gummi bears will be provided at the end of the session