

Title: Scaling and Financing Ecosystem-based Adaptation

Organizers:

- CIFOR-ICRAF (The World Agroforestry),
- Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE),
- Watershed Organization Trust (WOTR),
- TMG Think Tank for Sustainability (TMG)
- auctusESG LLP (auctusESG)

Session highlight: Ecosystem-based adaptation is emerging as an inclusive and just approach to address adaptation needs, boost emission sinks and address the livelihood challenges of vulnerable communities. This session presents scaling and financing mechanisms based on experiences from Africa and India.

The session is organized as follows

Opening remark (Dr. Peter Akong Minang) [4 minutes]

Presentation [21 minutes]

- Presentation 1: Ecosystem based adaptation implementation experiences and the associated challenges in Africa [Dr. Lalisa Duguma, CIFOR-ICRAF, Senior Scientist - Climate Actions and Sustainability] [6 minutes]
- Presentation 2: Scaling up ecosystem-based adaptation in India: challenges and opportunities [Mr. Arjuna Srinidhi, Thematic Lead, Ecosystem-based Adaptation, Watershed Organisation Trust (WOTR)] [6 minutes]
- Presentation 3: Financing ecosystem-based adaptation interventions [Ms. Namita Vikas, Founder and Managing Director, auctusESG LLP] [6 minutes]

Panel discussion [20 minutes]

- Dr. Malanding Jaiteh, EbA Project Manager, Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Natural Resources (MECCNAR), The Gambia. [4 minutes]
- Dr. Andreas Reumann, Head, Independent Evaluation Unit (IEU), Green Climate Fund. [4 minutes]

- Dr. Serah Kiragu-Wissler, Kenya Programme Manager, TMG Research [4 minutes]
- Dr. Nitin Pandit, Director of the Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and Environment (ATREE) [4 minutes]

Q&A and interactive session [25 minutes]

Closing Remarks [5 minutes]

Ms. Jessica Troni, Head - Adaptation Unit, Adaptation portfolio manager, United Nations Environment Programme

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