

Community Based Adaptation in the post 2012 Framework



Saturday December 8
10 am - 12 midday
Tidal Room, Grand Hyatt



Overview

At COP 13, it is hoped that there will be agreement on the entity to operationalise the Adaptation Fund. It is also hoped that there will be some concrete proposals put forward for generating the large funds needed – around \$50bn per year.

While the key issue within the negotiations is to ensure that money is generated effectively reflecting key principles, such as polluter pays and historical responsibility, attention will soon be directed on delivery mechanisms to ensure that the communities most vulnerable to the impacts of climate change are the key beneficiaries.

To tackle the scale of the climate change adaptation challenge, it will be essential to join up these processes. There must be bottom-up approaches, where communities are assisted to draw on their knowledge and use new information and resources to become more adaptive; there is a growing body of work on approaches for CBA, and context-specific technologies and practices for strengthening livelihoods and natural resources to cope with climate change. However, these are mainly project level experiences. Governments need to put in place an institutional architecture and policy framework that will facilitate climate-resilient development.

The side event will consider what role the UNFCCC can and should play on community based adaptation

- defining eligibility and delivery mechanisms
- building capacity
- reviewing implementation

in the post-2012 framework.

Speakers:

Mozaharul Alam, BCAS, Bangladesh: Chair

Part 1: Community based adaptation – what is it? three views from the field

Dinanath Bhandari, Practical Action Nepal

Ahsan Uddin Ahmed, Centre for Global Change, Bangladesh

Mizanur Rahman Bijoy, National Climate Coalition, Bangladesh

Part 2: Scaling up: incentives and capacity building: how far can the UNFCCC framework facilitate/enable CBA

Christoph Bals, Germanwatch: What kind of incentive framework would help to get more community based adaptation started and scaled up in a meaningful way?

Richard Klein, Stockholm Environment Institute : Can CBA be built into a post 2012 agreement?

Roberto Acosta, UNFCCC Secretariat NWP: Role of NWP in promoting CBA

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