

## **The Paris Agreement and Nature-Based Solutions: From Policy to Implementation**

Tuesday, 24 May 2016, 18:30—20:00

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*Refreshments will be served*



**Background:** The Paris Agreement clearly recognizes the importance of natural GHG sinks and reservoirs in combating climate change, and of ensuring ecosystem integrity and biodiversity protection. This session will explore the different dimensions of how ecosystems contribute to climate action and the practical next steps that need to be undertaken from an implementation perspective.

### **Panelists:**

**Sandeep Sengupta, Senior Policy Officer, Climate Change, IUCN**

Introduction and moderation.

**John Lanchbery, Principal Climate Advisor, Birdlife International**

The risks posed to ecosystems/biodiversity from climate change & from actions taken to address it and how these might be countered.

**Nathalie Seddon, Visiting Fellow at IIED, and Professor of Biodiversity at Oxford University**

Ecosystem-based approaches to climate change adaptation: a win-win formula for sustainable development in a warming world?

**Naikoa Aguilar-Amuchastegui, Director, Forest and Climate Science, WWF U.S.**

How countries are operationalizing land sector policies through INDCs and REDD+ Reference Levels.

**Ana Cecilia Conde Alvarez, Climate Change Adaptation Coordinator, Government of Mexico.**

Integrating ecosystems within climate policy and action: the Mexican experience.