



Stakeholder Forum

Stakeholder Forum – Roundtable 2: “Harmonizing and bridging DRR and CCA coherence to the implementation and monitoring of the Agenda 2030.”

13:30 - 15:30, 13 May

Room Lausanne, CIG CCV

Moderator

Dr. Saleemul Huq

Dr. Saleemul Huq is the Director of the International Centre for Climate Change and Development (ICCCAD) at Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) since 2009 and Senior Fellow at the International Institute for Environment & Development (IIED).

Prior to joining ICCCAD he was a Director of the Climate Change Programme at the IIED. He has worked extensively in the inter-linkages between climate change (both mitigation as well as adaptation) and sustainable development, from the perspective of the developing countries, with special emphasis on least developed countries (LDCs).

Before that he was the founding Executive Director at the Bangladesh Centre for Advanced Studies (BCAS), a leading independent research and policy think tank in Bangladesh. Dr. Huq completed his BSc (with Honors) in 1975 from Imperial College, London, United Kingdom and his PhD in plant sciences also from Imperial College in 1978. Dr. Huq has published numerous articles in scientific and popular journals, was a lead author of the chapter on Adaptation and Sustainable Development in the third assessment report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), and was one of the coordinating lead authors of ‘Inter-relationships between adaptation and mitigation’ in the IPCC’s Fourth Assessment Report (2007). He is also the author of "Streamlining adaptation to climate change into development projects at the national and local level, In European Parliament, Financing climate change policies in developing countries," 2008.

**Hon Ewero Musa Francis M Minister of State for Relief Disaster Preparedness and Refugees State
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**Dr. Thomas Helfen, Head of Division Peace and Security; Disaster Risk Management, German Federal
Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)**

Mr. Maarten van Aalst, Director, The Red Cross Climate Centre

Maarten oversees the support to climate risk management across the Red Cross Red Crescent Movement, and links with scientific and policy communities on climate change, disaster risk management and development planning.

He is also a Coordinating Lead Author for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and serves on the Scientific and Technical Advisory Group of the UN International Strategy for Disaster Reduction, and the Leadership Group of the UN Climate Resilience Initiative known as A2R.

Maarten holds adjunct appointments at the International Research Institute for Climate and Society at Columbia University, the Department of Science, Technology, Engineering and Public Policy at University College London, and the Overseas Development Institute in London where he co-chairs the knowledge management group for the BRACED resilience programme.

He also serves on the leadership team of the Partners for Resilience alliance, and on advisory boards of several major international research programmes on climate risk management.

After completing a PhD in atmospheric science, Maarten worked on climate change adaptation and disaster risk management with organizations such as the World Bank, regional development banks, the OECD, UNDP and several governments.

Ms. Jesusa Grace Molina, from Center Disaster Preparednes, Philippines

Jesusa Grace Molina is the Coordinator for the Centre for Disaster Preparedness (CDP) Technical Services Programme (TSP), in the Philippines. As the TSP Coordinator, she is responsible for the overall direction, coordination, and management of the daily operations of the program. She is tasked to ensure that all program engagements such as training, research, and advocacy are aligned and contribute to the achievement of organizational goals and targets.

The Center for disaster preparedness is a national non-government organization in the Philippines that strongly promotes community-based disaster risk reduction and management (CBDRRM) through its core programs, namely Technical Services and Community Services. Specifically, CDP is involved in the conduct of trainings and capacity development activities, research, knowledge exchange and

management, networking and advocacy, and emergency response. It actively works with manifold stakeholders from the communities, civil society organizations, governments, private companies, and academics. At the community level, CDP closely works with vulnerable sectors such as women, children and youth, persons with disabilities, and older persons. Utilizing the CBDRM framework, CDP is driven by inclusive and participatory principles and approaches in doing development work. Given its strong commitment to promoting resilience in the country, CDP is currently the lead convenor of the Disaster Risk Reduction Network Philippines (DRRNet Phils), an alliance of CSOs, communities, and practitioners, adhering to the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (SFDRR) and implementing CBDRRM.

Mr. Chiagozie Udeh, Youth representative, Nigeria

Chiagozie Udeh is a 24-year-old Nigerian expert on Climate Change policy, renewable energy campaigning and African policy enthusiast. As board member of Plant-for-the-Planet he has been exploring ways to get member states and private sector organizations to set ambitious afforestation targets that will feed into the trillion trees project aiming to reduce carbon emission by 25 percent by 2030. Chiagozie's latest work in Nigeria is to draw a link between climate change and the security challenges currently facing Nigeria owing to desertification, drought and other effects of climate change. At the GPDRR, he is focusing on what African countries are doing, can do and should be doing especially how afforestation and land restoration can be an effective way to build DRR capacity. He is the Global South Focal Point for YOUNGO, the UNFCCC youth constituency.