



7th Asia-Pacific Climate Change Adaptation Forum

Linking adaptation and mitigation: The role of National Adaptation Plan (NAP) processes in NDC implementation towards climate action for inclusive and enhanced local resilience in South and Southeast Asia

Stream: Community and Local Resilience Stream

Enables:

Date: 8th March 2021, 14:00-15:30 (Bangkok Time); 16:00-17:30 (JST)

Attendees: APN, IGES, INREM-UPLB, MONRE Vietnam, SAFE, SLYCAN Trust

Background

Research and assessment consistently show the increased vulnerability of local and rural communities to the impacts of climate change and associated human security and disasters. While local communities have adopted robust, traditional resilience practices over the years, greater resilience is needed to tackle the impacts of climate change. The Paris accord has room for ensuring this happens, but will the implementation of National Adaptation Plans (NAPs) and Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) be sufficient to ensure adequate community resilience and adequate engagement? With this background, we will address the importance of community and local resilience and the role of NAP processes in NDC implementation towards climate action for enhanced local resilience in South and Southeast Asia.

I. Introduction

Introduction of session speakers and panelists, objectives of the session and interactive icebreaker with the audience.

Dr Linda Anne Stevenson, APN Secretariat

II. Brief Presentations

- a) Aligning NAPs/NDCs synergies with other international processes: Bangladesh, Nepal and Sri Lanka.

Ms Vositha Wijenayake, SLYCAN Trust, Sri Lanka



- b) Local-scale ecosystem-based adaptation solutions for climate resilience and wellbeing in South Asia.

Dr Shamik Chakraborty, Hosei University, Japan

- c) Importance of education and technical capacity for reporting and scaling up adaptation-mitigation in the forestry sector in Nepal.

Dr Binaya Raj Shivakoti, IGES, Japan

- d) Institutional capacity development of local governments towards climate risk resilience

Prof Juan M Pulhin, INREM-UPLB, the Philippines

III. Panel discussion and audience Q&A

- a) Enhancing capacity of government officials and practitioners in Vietnam in developing national adaptation- mitigation measures related to NDCs

Dr Luong Quang Huy, MONRE, Vietnam

- b) Practical solutions to enhance crop productivity that have adaptation-mitigation benefits: Bhutan and India

Dr Dipayan Dey, SAFE, India

- c) Speakers

IV. Audience and panel interactive discussion with Mentimeter

V. Summary and closing remarks

- a) Moderator will summarize the session
- b) Closing remarks by **Mr Gen'ichiro Tsukada, Director, APN Secretariat**