Localization of NDCs through community-led ‘adaptation innovation’ in the Asia-Pacific region: Needs and Pathways

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10:00-11:30 (Bangladesh Standard Time); UTC+6

Session registration: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_hP_iGVykTUSSXb7Q6R8vWA
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The session is a continuation of the GGC1 session “Capacity Building for Promoting “Local Adaptation Innovation” through regional collaboration on 22nd January 2021. The session aims to discuss regional capacity building initiatives on localizing Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) through community (locally)-led adaptation innovation. This initiative is jointly led by IGES and APN in collaboration with several regional partners as part of the capacity building pillar of the Asia-Pacific Climate Change Adaptation Information Platform (AP-PLAT), which is an initiative of the Japanese Government to support adaptation action in the Asia-Pacific region. In this session, the breakout groups and the ensuing panel discussion will bring fresh insights to capacity building that will be jointly implemented to support the mainstreaming of local adaptation innovation into NDC implementation. The session will highlight cases and examples that will form a basis for designing a robust capacity building programme for scaling up locally adaptation through channels like AP-PLAT and in line with the goals of the UNFCCC Paris Agreement.

10:00-10:05 Welcome remarks from the Ministry of the Environment Japan (MOEJ)
Mr Gen’ichiro Tsukada, Director, Climate Change Adaptation Office, Global Environment Bureau, Ministry of the Environment Japan (MOEJ)

10:05-10:10 Overarching introduction
Dr Binaya Raj Shivakoti, IGES, Japan

10:10-10:18 Audience engagement with Mentimeter
Dr Linda Anne Stevenson and Ms Rieko Tamura, APN, Japan

10:18-10:40 Breakout Sessions responding to key questions
Group 1: NDC mainstreaming led by Ms Vositha Wijenayake (SLYCAN Trust)
Group 2: Local level capacity gaps and needs led by Prof Patrick Nunn (University of the Sunshine Coast, APN Capacity Development Committee)

10:40-11:20 Panel discussion and audience Q&A session
Moderator: Dr Binaya Raj Shivakoti, IGES, Japan
This session will outline key points from the discussion at the Breakout sessions. This will be followed by 3-minute comments from panellists who will share their experience, cases, and lessons learned on locally-led initiatives. Panellists and audience will also provide insights on breakout session outcomes as it relates to regional collaboration on capacity building to promote locally led adaptation.

Panellists (in alphabetical order):
- Dr Chi Huyen Truong, Programme Coordinator, Himalayan University Consortium, International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD), Nepal
Dr Hoon Chang, Thematic Climate Advisor at United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF), Thailand; Former Director, Korea Adaptation Center for Climate Change (KACCC), Korea Environment Institute (KEI), Korea  
Prof Mizan R. Khan, Deputy Director, International Centre for Climate Change and Development (ICCCAD), Bangladesh  
Ms Ofa Ma'asi-Kaisamy, Manager, Pacific Climate Change Centre, Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP), Samoa  
Prof Patrick Nunn, APN Capacity Development Committee; University of the Sunshine Coast, Australia  
Ms Vositha Wijenayake, Executive Director, SLYCAN Trust, Sri Lanka  
Dr Yuki Yoshida, National Institute for Environmental Studies (NIES), Japan

11:20-11:25 Follow-up action  
Mr Tetsuo Kuyama, Director, IGES Bangkok Regional Center

11:25-11:30 Vote of thanks from IGES and APN  
Mr Yoichi Toyama, Secretariat Director, APN  
Mr Osamu Mizuno, Programme Director, IGES