

Asia-Pacific Network of Early Career Professionals for Global Change Research (APN-ECAP) Platform for Visibility in Global Change and Sustainability

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**APN-ECAP Initiative
Introduction at 26th
IGM/SPG Meeting of APN,
Jakarta, Indonesia**

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BACKGROUND

The 26th Intergovernmental Meeting and Scientific Planning Group Meeting (IGM/SPG Meeting) of Asia-Pacific Network for Global Change Research (APN), held on June 13-14, 2024, in Jakarta, Indonesia, was a pivotal gathering co-organized by the National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN), Indonesia and APN. This event brought together a diverse array of stakeholders including government officials, scientists, and representatives from observer organizations across 19 Asia-Pacific member countries, to discuss and strategize on critical issues related to global change and sustainability.

The meeting facilitated collaborative discussions on various pertinent topics and deliberated on important subregional issues within the context of global change and sustainability. One notable interactive session during the event was the "10th APN Early Career Professional (ECP) Networking and Poster Session on Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction", held on June 13, 2024. This session provided a platform for early career professionals (ECPs) from Indonesia to showcase their research contributions and engage in discussions on critical topics affecting climate adaptation and disaster risk reduction.

Furthermore, alongside these activities, APN-ECAP initiative was prominently promoted during the networking and poster session and the evening reception programme, also held on June 13, 2024. The Asia-Pacific Network of Early Career Professionals for Global Change Research (APN-ECAP), funded by APN, and implemented jointly with the Center of Research for Environment, Energy, and Water (CREEW), Nepal, aims to enhance the contributions of ECPs from the Asia-Pacific Region in the fields of global change and sustainability, bridging the gap between emerging talents and seasoned experts. These sessions at the 26th IGM/SPG Meeting of APN provided valuable opportunities to introduce APN members and ECPs from Indonesia to the objectives and initiatives of APN-ECAP. This initiative, which specifically focuses on ECPs, aligns with APN's broader aim of enhancing the scientific capacity of ECPs, policymakers, practitioners, and local communities as well as fostering international collaborations.

INTRODUCTION

The Asia-Pacific Network of Early Career Professionals for Global Change Research (APN-ECAP) Platform for Visibility in Global Change and Sustainability was formally introduced as a crucial initiative within APN during the 26th Intergovernmental Meeting and Scientific Planning Group Meeting (IGM/SPG Meeting) of APN on June 13, 2024. At the 26th IGM/SPG Meeting, APN emphasized its commitment to advancing global change research and sustainability efforts in the Asia-Pacific region. By focusing on collaborative initiatives, critical discussions, and showcasing the contributions of early career professionals, the meeting laid a robust foundation for future endeavours. It underscored the vital role of early career professionals in shaping the discourse on global change and sustainability, while introducing initiatives such as APN-ECAP and beyond.



Formal APN-ECAP Introduction at APN's 26th IGM/SPG Meeting Evening Reception

On June 13, 2024, another significant event for APN-ECAP during APN's 26th IGM/SPG Meeting was the Evening Reception Programme, where the APN-ECAP initiative was formally introduced by Ms. Ayushmita Pokhrel, Research Associate for APN-ECAP Project at CREEW.

The presentation was delivered in the presence of distinguished members from BRIN, national Focal Points (nFPs) from APN Member Countries, members of APN Steering Committee (SC), members of APN Scientific Planning Group (SPG), and APN Capacity Development Committee (CDC). Esteemed experts, and the APN Secretariat team, along with participants from the "10th APN ECP Networking and Poster Session", were also in attendance.

This event offered a thorough introduction to the APN-ECAP initiative, highlighting its goal of establishing a networking platform for ECPs in the Asia-Pacific region to foster idea exchange, collaborative efforts, and enhance their engagement in global change research and sustainability. The presentation outlined planned activities under APN-ECAP, including membership benefits like capacity development, training resources, mentorship programmes, networking and collaboration opportunities, and early access to APN early career professional events. It also included project updates and outlined future directions for APN-ECAP in the context of global change research and sustainability initiatives.



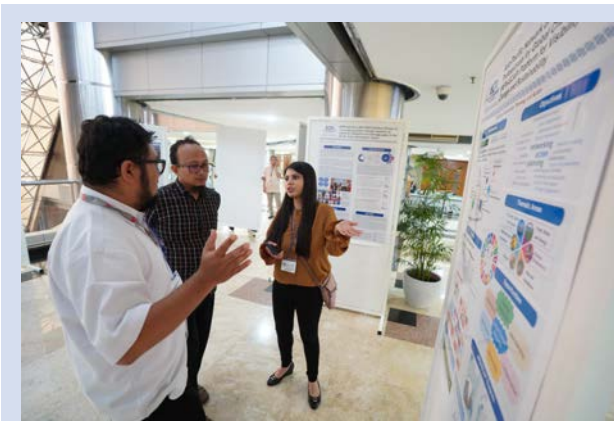
ACTIVITIES

APN-ECAP Poster Presentation

The “10th APN Early Career Professional Poster and Networking Session on Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction” took place at the National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN) in Jakarta, Indonesia during APN’s 26th IGM/SPG Meeting on June 13, 2024. The interactive poster session served as a dedicated platform for 11 ECPs from Indonesia to present their research on climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction.



Alongside numerous other posters, the session also showcased the APN-ECAP initiative. This offered ECP participants a crucial opportunity to engage with the objectives of APN-ECAP and advance meaningful engagement on the thematic area of “Climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction”. The “10th APN Early Career Professional Poster and Networking Session” attracted distinguished members from BRIN, nFPs from APN Member Countries, members of APN SC, members of APN SPG, and APN CDC, as well as esteemed experts, guests, and participants. It served as a pivotal platform for introducing the APN-ECAP initiative to a diverse audience and facilitated meaningful discussions among stakeholders committed to advancing global change and sustainability in the Asia-Pacific region.



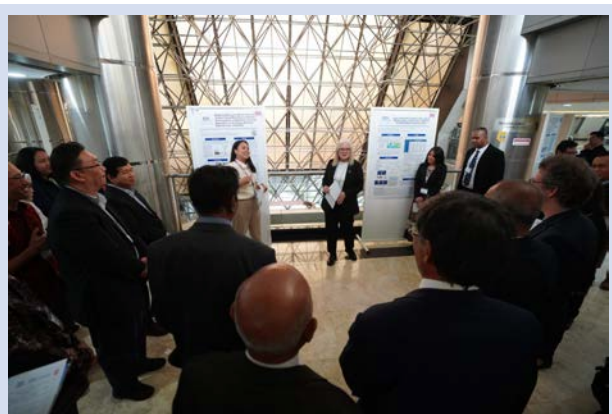
CONCLUSIONS

The introduction of the APN-ECAP initiative at the 26th IGM/SPG Meeting of APN on June 13, 2024, marked a significant milestone in advancing support to empower early career professionals in the Asia-Pacific region. The initiative, aimed at integrating and strengthening the contributions of ECPs in global change and sustainability, garnered significant visibility and support during the gathering.

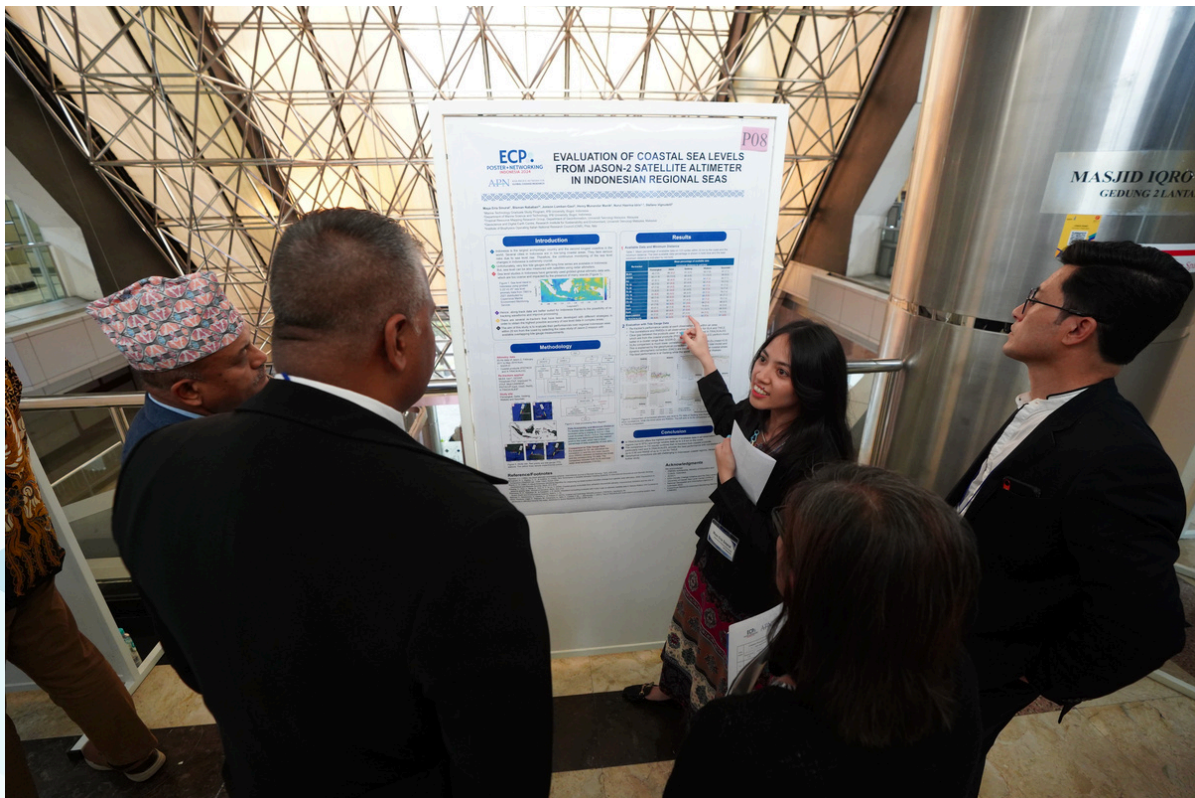
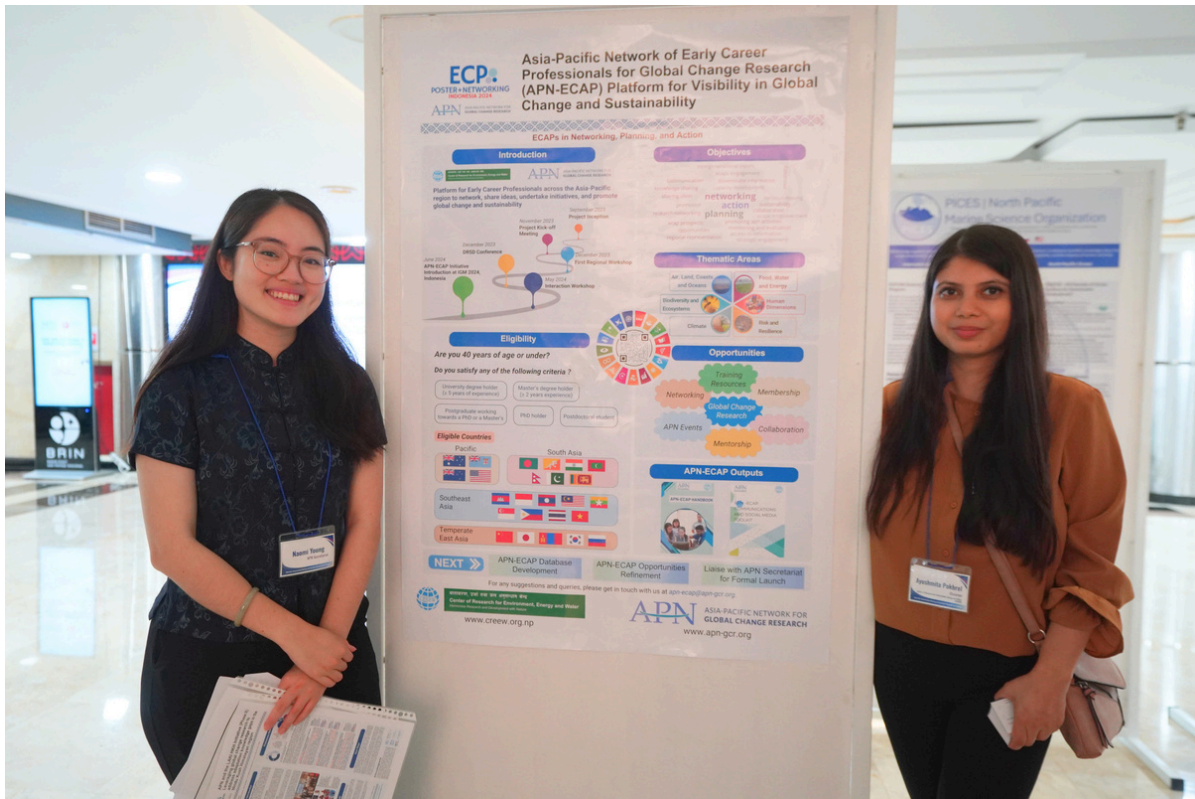
The interactive platform such as the "10th APN Early Career Professional Poster and Networking Session" held alongside the APN 26th IGM/SPG Meeting prominently featured APN-ECAP. Additionally, the formal presentation and introduction of APN-ECAP among key stakeholders working towards sustainability in the Asia-Pacific region underscored its importance. This introduction was crucial in garnering support from esteemed members within APN, solidifying APN-ECAP's position as a crucial initiative within APN.

A key message emphasized during the initiative introduction was the clear roadmap for the future direction of APN-ECAP. This includes enhancing its database, optimizing opportunities offered by APN-ECAP, and closely collaborating with the APN Secretariat to facilitate its formal launch.

The integration of the initiative into such a high-profile gathering demonstrates a commitment to empowering the next generation of leaders in addressing pressing sustainability challenges in the Asia-Pacific region.



ANNEX





Asia-Pacific Network of Early Career Professionals for Global Change Research (APN-ECAP) Platform for Visibility in Global Change and Sustainability

ECAPs in Networking, Planning, and Action

Introduction



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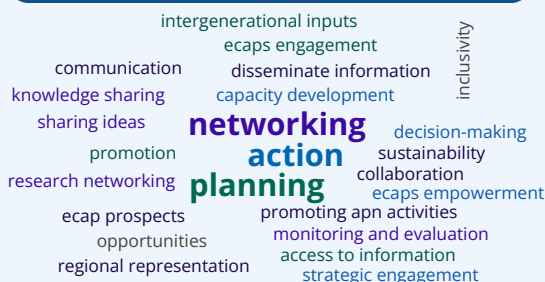


ASIA-PACIFIC NETWORK FOR
GLOBAL CHANGE RESEARCH

Platform for Early Career Professionals across the Asia-Pacific region to network, share ideas, undertake initiatives, and promote global change and sustainability



Objectives



Thematic Areas



Eligibility

Are you 40 years of age or under?

Do you satisfy any of the following criteria ?

University degree holder
(≥ 5 years of experience)

Master's degree holder
(≥ 2 years experience)

Postgraduate working
towards a PhD or a Master's

PhD holder

Postdoctoral student

Eligible Countries

Pacific



South Asia



Southeast Asia



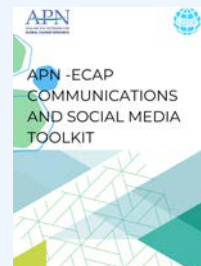
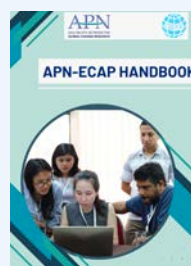
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Opportunities



APN-ECAP Outputs



NEXT ➡

APN-ECAP Database
Development

APN-ECAP Opportunities
Refinement

Liaise with APN Secretariat
for Formal Launch

For any suggestions and queries, please get in touch with us at apn-ecap@apn-gcr.org.



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