

LPAA FOCUS ON RESILIENCE

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Recent climate changes have had widespread impacts on humanity and ecosystems. A transformative adaptation agenda with real innovative actions is needed to accelerate action on key issues such as the water sector, food security and oceans.

Highlighted in the *Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030*, coping with hazardous events also requires systematic strategies such as: ensuring the emergence of coherent action plans in vulnerable regions, strengthening early warning systems and insurance availability in vulnerable areas, mainstreaming resilience in all economic and financial activities.

This focus will highlight the wide mobilization of national and local governments, international organizations, development banks, private sectors, civil society and demonstrate political will of decision makers to address resilience.

Part I: Welcoming and setting the scene

Master of Ceremony for welcoming session

Fred Boltz, Managing Director, Rockefeller Foundation

10:15-10:40 OPENING REMARKS

Welcome by France and Peru

- **Manuel Pulgar-Vidal**, Minister of Environment, Peru
- **Ségolène Royal**, Minister of Environment, France



*279 world wide
commitments for
water
management in
basins of rivers,
lakes to protect
water resources
and people from
climate change*

PART II: Taking action on water resilience

10:40-10:50 SETTING THE SCENE ON WATER RESILIENCE

Key messages on water resilience and the importance of integrated water resources management in a context of climate change

Junaid K. Ahmad, Senior Director Water, World Bank Group

SESSION I: Enhancing Resilience in River Basins, Aquifers, Deltas and Lakes

10:50-11:40 THE PARIS PACT ON WATER AND ADAPTATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE BASINS OF RIVERS, LAKES AND AQUIFERS

This session will highlight the broad based mobilization around integrated resource management. Organized in two panels, it will address the key role of stakeholders on water adaptation planning and commitments to strengthen hydrometric systems and leverage funding for water resilience projects.

Moderator:

Jean-Francois Donzier, Secretary General, International Network of Basin Organizations

- **Du Guozhi**, Director, Ministry of Water Resources, China
- **Victor Hugo Alcocer Yamanaka**, Deputy Director General for Technical Issues, National Water Commission (CONAGUA), Mexico
- **Kabiné Komara**, High Commissioner of the international basin organization of the Senegal river – OMVS, former Prime Minister of Guinea
- **Charafat Afailal**, Minister in charge of water, Morocco
- **Christine A. Gbedji Vyaho**, Minister of Water, Benin
- **Christian Friis Bach**, Executive Secretary & Under-Secretary-General, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
- **Simon Sakibede**, Secretary General, International Commission of Congo-Oubangui-Sangha –CICOS

11:40-11:50 INCREASING RESILIENCE IN URBAN DELTAS

The Global Delta Coalition sets out as an ambitious country-driven coalition to address the unique set of challenges deltas are faced with, being among the most delicate and vulnerable ecosystems to climate change.

- **Liliane Ploumen**, Minister for Trade and Development, The Netherlands
- **Gabriel Vallejo Lopez**, Minister of Environment, Colombia

Session II: The role of different stakeholders in the water and climate agenda

This session will show the importance of bringing together all relevant actors working to enhance water resilience and how they are/will be committing at different levels to collaboratively increase water security.

Moderator:

Karin Lexen, Director for the World Water Week and Prizes Department, Stockholm International Water Institute

11:55-12:15 INCREASING RESILIENCE AT URBAN LEVEL

This session will highlight concrete commitments on adaptation and integrated water management in megacities and other urban areas.

- **Flavia Schlegel**, Deputy Assistant, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
- **Eugene Wamalwa**, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry Water and Irrigation, Kenya
- **Hassan Ali Joho**, Governor, Mombasa County
- **Jacques Moineville**, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Agence Française de Développement (AFD)

12:15-12:30 PRIVATE SECTOR ACTING ON WATER RESILIENCE

This session will address the role of the private sector in enhancing freshwater resilience and see the launch of a Business Alliance for Water and Climate Change

- **Linda Freiner**, Flood Resilience Program Manager, Zurich Insurance Group
- **Jean-Louis Chaussade**, CEO, SUEZ Environment
- **Cate Lamb**, Head of Water Program, Carbon Disclosure Project
- **Jason Morrison**, CEO, UN Global Compact Water Mandate

12:30-12:45 THE ROLE OF CIVIL SOCIETY: TOWARDS A COLLABORATIVE WATER AGENDA

NGOs will present their commitments to enhance resilience in the water sector through promoting active participation, helping to implement development policies and raising awareness.

- **Rolando Marin**, President CLOCSAS –LAC
- **Benedito Braga**, President of the World Water Council
- **Asma Bachikh**, President of the World Youth Parliament for Water

12:45-12:55 TOWARDS AN ACCELERATED ACTION AGENDA ON WATER AND CLIMATE CHANGE

- **Aziz Akhannouch**, Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries, Morocco
- **Brice Lalonde**, French Water Partnership

PART III: Increasing the resilience of Oceans to climate change

Climate change deeply impacts the marine environment as well as the millions of people who depend on it. This session will highlight the dynamics and concrete action of civil society stakeholders committed to raising the issue of oceans as a solution for climate change.

Moderator:

Gilles Boeuf, Paris University

13:15-13:30 OCEANS & CLIMATE: WHAT IS AT STAKE?

*Testimony from civil society: **Yeb Sano***

This opening statement will highlight the current scientific knowledge on the role of oceans in climate regulation and the impacts of climate change on oceans and their resilience.

- **Valerie Masson-Delmotte**, Intergovernmental Panel of Climate Change (IPCC)
- **Hans Otto Portner**, IPCC

13:30-14:20 THE WORLD IS TAKING ACTION: TOWARDS OCEAN RESILIENCE

In this session commitments on the adoption of new technologies by commercial shipping, initiatives on marine protected areas and programmes on coastal risk management and adaptation will be presented.

Commercial shipping supports mitigation

The maritime transport sector is taking action to reduce greenhouse gases emissions. A global player and a shipowners organization present their commitments.

- **Hanna Lee Behrens**, Norwegian Shipowners Association
- **Julien Topenot**, CMA-CGM

Adaptation and marine ecosystem conservation

Marine protected areas act as resilience tools to climate change. The session will display the work of international organisations IUCN and UNESCO, as well as programmes in West Africa, the Seychelles and Marquisas Islands.

- **François Simard**, International Union for Conservation of Nature
- **Fanny Douvere**, Head, UNESCO's World Heritage Marine Programme
- **Ronny Jumeau**, Seychelles Ambassador on Climate Change
- **Ahmed Senhoury**, Coastal and Marine Programme for West Africa (PRCM)
- **Pascal Erhel-Hatuuku**, Marquesas Islands cultural and environmental federation

Coastal risk management and adaptation

Local authorities, international organisations and private actors can act together and provide solutions to rising sea levels, coastal erosion, flooding and climatic hazards. Commitments from coastal local authorities in Europe, in West African countries in collaboration with the World Bank, and other stakeholders, will be presented.

- **Amedi Camara**, Minister of Environment, Mauritania
- **Paula Caballero**, World Bank
- **Rogier Van Der Sande**, Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions of Europe
- **Odile Gauthier**, French Shoreline Protection Agency
- **Edmund Barrow**, International Union for Conservation of Nature

14:20-14:35 FOSTER ACTION BEYOND COP21: SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AS A BASIS

Science is committed to identifying Ocean-based solutions for adaptation and mitigation, through enhanced partnerships and new collaborative programmes. Such commitments include creating the world largest open-source environmental data base on oceans, building international ocean observation systems, and setting up an international research programme on Sargassum algae.

- **Vladimir Ryabinin**, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, UNESCO
- **Chris Bowler**, Tara Ocean
- **François Menard**, Institut de recherche pour le développement (IRD)

14:35-14:45 CONCLUDING REMARKS & CLOSURE

(Signature of an agreement between French Polynesia and France on educational marine protected areas)

- **Ségolène Royal**, Ministry of Ecology, Sustainable Development and Energy, France
- **Manuel Pulgar Vidal**, Minister of Environment, Peru

PART IV: Understanding and Addressing the Urgency on Resilience

15:15-15:20 OPENING REMARKS

Mary Robinson, Former President of Ireland, UN Special Envoy for Climate Change

15:20-15:30 PRESENTATION OF THE VIDEO “VOICES OF RESILIENCE”

15:30-16:00 NEEDS, ACTIONS AND STRATEGIES FROM VULNERABLE REGIONS AND ACTORS

This session will focus on how vulnerable actors are currently undertaking country-driven strategies to cope with climate change and their specific needs.

Moderator:

Maarten van Aalst, Director, Red Cross

- **James Fletcher**, Minister of the Sustainable Development, Energy, Science and Technology of Saint Lucia
- **Ngedikes Olai Uludong**, Ambassador to the European Union, Republic of Palau
- **Mohamed Abdel Monem**, Advisor to the Minister of Environment, Egypt
- **Naoko Ishii**, CEO & Chairperson, Global Environment Facility
- **Netatua Pelesikoti**, Director of Climate Change, Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme

Part V: Strengthening capacities for resilience

This session will examine fundamental capacities critical to resilience (anticipating, absorbing and reshaping) and the needs to accelerate action, including knowledge exchange, capacity building and development of new tools for resilience.

Moderator:

Rowan Douglas, Willis Group

16:00-16:05 GLOBAL POLL OF RESILIENCE NEEDS

Mathias Antonneson, Head of Partnerships, USHAIDI

16:05-16:40 NEEDS AND GAPS ON RESILIENCE

This session will explore the fundamental capacities critical to resilience: anticipating, absorbing and reshaping; and the needs to accelerate action.

- **Ibrahim Thiaw**, Deputy Executive Director, UNEP
- **Garry Conille**, Under Secretary General, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
- **Christian Thimann**, Group Head of Strategy, Sustainability and Public Affairs, The AXA Group
- **Mohamed Beavogui**, Director General, African Risk Capacity
- **Saleemul Huq**, Director, International Center for Climate Change and Development

Part VI: Major Cooperative Initiatives accelerating resilience

16:40-17:40 PRESENTATION OF MAJOR INITIATIVES

This session will showcase major initiatives that are addressing resilience through warning systems, financial mechanisms, and empowering and restoring systems on vulnerable hotspots.

Moderator

Fred Boltz, Managing Director, The Rockefeller Foundation

The Great Green Wall Initiative

- **Laura Tuck**, Vice President for Sustainable Development, The World Bank
- **Amadi Camara**, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development, Mauritania

The Global Resilience Partnership

- **Luca Alinovi**, Executive Director, Global Resilience Partnership

CREWS initiative

- **Annick Girardin**, Minister of State for Development and Francophony, France
- **Adamou Chaifou**, Minister of Environment, Niger

G7 InsuResilience

- **Ingrid-Gabriela Hoven**, Director General, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany

EU initiatives – addressing the global impact of El Nino

- **Christos Stylianides**, Commissioner in charge of humanitarian aid and crisis management, European Commission

PART VII: Accelerating Action to strengthen resilience capacity

This session will see the presentation of the United Nations Initiative to enhance action and cooperation for resilience to climate change.

Moderator

Fred Boltz, Managing Director, The Rockefeller Foundation

17:40-17:45 PRESENTATION OF THE A2R

This session will explore the great need to explore the great need for action; that much has been started and recall that NOW is the time to work together and accelerate action.

Janos Pasztor, Assistant Secretary-General on Climate Change, UN CCST

17:45-18:20 ACCELERATING SUPPORT ACROSS SECTORS

Mr. **Janos Pasztor** (UN CCST) will invite some partners to come to stage to express support and explain their role:

UN agencies

- **Ibrahim Thiaw**, Deputy Executive Director, UNEP
- **Maria Helena Semedo**, Deputy Director General, FAO
- **Ertharin Cousin**, Executive Director, World Food Programme

Government

- **Kees Rade**, Ambassador for Sustainable Development, The Netherlands

Insurance sector

- **Mike Morrissey**, CEO, International Insurance Society

Finance sector

- **Leon Wijnands**, Head of Sustainability, ING Bank

Telecommunications:

- **Kyla Reid**, Head of Disaster Response, GSMA

Academic

- **Thomas Malone**, MIT University

Civil society

- **Muhtari Aminu-Kano**, Senior Policy Advisor, Islamic Relief World Wide

18:20-18:30 CLOSING OF THE RESILIENCE FOCUS: WHAT DOES SUCCESS LOOK LIKE?

- **Margareta Wahlstrom**, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction, United Nations