

2026 Adaptation Forum

Dates: 9–10 September 2026

Venue: Baku Convention Center, Baku

Day 1 – Scaling adaptation action

Session 2 – Marketplace of solutions: peer exchange on scaling adaptation implementation

1. Session information

Date	Wednesday, 9 September 2026
Time	15:00-16:30 (GMT+4)
Venue	Room A5, Baku Convention Center
Format	Framing; moderated high-level implementation dialogue; peer exchange; marketplace harvest; transition to partnerships

2026 Adaptation Forum context

The global adaptation agenda is entering a decisive phase. Following the establishment of the global goal on adaptation (GGA) and adoption of the UAE Framework for Global Climate Resilience, attention is shifting to practical, scalable action that strengthens adaptive capacity, reduces vulnerability and enhances resilience.

Reflecting this focus, the 2026 Adaptation Forum, under the proposed theme "**Scaling adaptation action towards achieving the global goal on adaptation: partnerships, innovation and practical implementation solutions for climate resilience**," will explore emerging technologies and approaches, practical solutions, and partnerships that connect knowledge, capacities and resources with action on the ground.

Convened by the Adaptation Committee (AC) as part of the Climate Week 4 Implementation Forum, the 1.5-day programme will bring together Parties and stakeholders from across the adaptation community. The Forum will facilitate the exchange of experience, highlight promising approaches and identify opportunities for collaboration, generating practical insights to inform the work of the AC and broader efforts to advance adaptation under the Convention and the Paris Agreement.

Session objective and expected outcome

Objective: Facilitate structured peer exchange on practical adaptation approaches and solutions, focusing on implementation experience, enabling conditions, barriers to scaling and opportunities for replication and collaboration across different contexts.

Expected outcome: Generate practical insights into adaptation solutions, enabling conditions and implementation challenges, while identifying opportunities for replication, peer learning and collaboration across contexts.

Session format: The session is intended as an interactive exchange rather than a sequence of formal presentations. The high-level dialogue will use climate resilience and health as one practical example of

adaptation implementation across interconnected systems, drawing out lessons on enabling conditions, institutional coordination and implementation that may be relevant across sectors and contexts.

Run of show

Time	Programme	Speaker(s)
15:00–15:05	Opening and framing	Moderator
15:05–15:31	High-level dialogue	Azerbaijan, Australia, Wellcome Trust and UNU. Two moderated rounds; up to 3 minutes per speaker in each round.
15:31–15:48	Moderated exchange	Speakers may be invited to respond to brief follow-up questions.
15:48–16:00	Key messages and transition	Moderator
16:00–16:20	Peer exchange with participants	Intervention from WHO followed by other participant interventions
16:20–16:30	Key takeaways and transition to Session 3	Moderator

Speaker-specific focus and guiding questions

Ramik Guliyev, Head of the Health Policy Department, Ministry of Health, Republic of Azerbaijan

Round 1: From Azerbaijan's experience, what does effective integration of climate resilience into the health system look like in practice?

Round 2: Which enabling conditions or forms of cross-sector coordination are most important for sustaining and scaling this implementation?

Luke Millar, Australia

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Madeleine Thomson, Head of Climate Impacts & Adaptation (Wellcome Trust)

Round 1: What has experience shown is needed to move promising climate-health adaptation approaches from plans or pilots to sustained implementation at scale?

Round 2: Where can partnerships add the greatest value in addressing implementation barriers while remaining responsive to nationally identified priorities?

Revati Phalkey, Director, International Institute for Global Health, United Nations University

Round 1: Which lessons from climate-health implementation are most transferable to adaptation in other sectors or interconnected systems?

Round 2: What conditions are needed to adapt or replicate promising approaches across different contexts while remaining responsive to national and local needs?

Peer exchange: lessons for implementation and scaling

Intervention by Francesca RACIOPPI, Head of Office, WHO Regional Office for Europe followed by other participants interventions

Central question: Drawing on a practical adaptation approach from your context, what has enabled its implementation, and what would be needed to scale or replicate it?

Optional follow-up question: Where could further knowledge, capacity, finance, technology or collaboration add value?