



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Capacity-building Hub Finance and Technology Day

### SLYCAN Trust Scaling Up Capacities and Support for Climate and Disaster Risk Finance for Resilient Livelihoods and Societies Concept Note

#### Background:

SLYCAN Trust is a non-profit think tank working on climate change, risk management and finance, sustainable development, biodiversity and ecosystem conservation, animal welfare, and social justice including gender and youth empowerment. Our work spans the national, regional, and global level from policy analysis and evidence-based research to on-the-ground implementation.

People around the globe are faced with increasingly severe and frequent climate-related shocks and extreme events that threaten their livelihoods, property, health, and lives. Risk finance and risk transfer instruments can increase their ability to cope with these impacts and act as a safety net to allow them “bounce back” and not slide into poverty or deprivation. However, capacities and knowledge on the various instruments and mechanisms is often limited, and there is a lack of communication and coordination between different actors, such as those from the public and private sector. If these capacities can be built, good practices shared, and risk finance solutions strengthened, it can enhance the resilience of millions of households world-wide, particularly in developing countries.

#### Objectives:

Please list the primary objectives of your planned session in bullet-list format.

- Facilitating the enhancement of capacities and skills for a better and deeper understanding of the possibilities of climate and disaster risk finance and how it can contribute to protect vulnerable households, communities, and countries.
- Sharing experiences of different actors from Asia, Africa, and Europe on tackling capacity needs and building technical, financial, and institutional capacities for enhanced climate risk finance options.
- Highlighting cross-cutting issues for capacity-building on inclusive and participatory climate and disaster risk finance, including gender, youth, and vulnerable communities.





### Format:

Venue: 3<sup>rd</sup> Capacity-building Hub within COP26 (Blue zone)

Location: Glasgow, UK

Date: November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Thursday

Length: 60 minutes

Language: English

The session will be structured around a panel of expert speakers (see below) and an open discussion session that allows for inputs from the audience (virtual and in person) to be collected. From those participating remotely in this hybrid event, inputs will be collected through interactive tools (Miro Board/Mentimeter) to allow for additional engagement.

### General Structure:

The session will consist of a half-hour panel discussion with five speakers, who will have the choice of answering one of the following two questions in their interventions:

- How can capacities and support be scaled up for climate and disaster risk finance?
- How can data and technology enhance and support risk finance for resilient livelihoods and societies?

The floor will then be opened for the participants joining in person or virtually to provide their input on the thematic area and address the following question as well:

- What are good practices and examples for enhancing capacities on risk finance and resilience-building?

Speakers		
Name	Role	Affiliation/Organization
Hon. Mahinda Amaraweera (TBC)	Minister of Environment	Ministry of Environment, Sri Lanka
Dr. Astrid Zwick	Head of Secretariat	InsuResilience Global Partnership
Mr. Steven Ramage	Head of External Relations	Group on Earth Observations (GEO)
Mr. Duncan Williamson	Founder	Nourishing Food Systems
Mr. Kavindu Ediriweera	Director: Youth Division	SLYCAN Trust

Moderators		
Name	Role	Affiliation/Organization
Ms. Vositha Wijenayake	Executive Director	SLYCAN Trust





### Outcomes:

- Increased capacities among relevant stakeholders on the role of climate and disaster risk finance.
- Knowledge product based on capacity needs for scaling up climate risk transfer options i.e. input collected and published in the form of a short policy note.
- Improved networking among interested stakeholders leading to more capacity-building partnerships, and engagement for collaboration in scaling up actions.

### Relevant Links:

Homepage: <https://www.slycantrust.org/>

Adaptation & Resilience Knowledge Hub: <https://www.slycantrust.org/knowledge-portal/home>

[Working Paper: Addressing Climate and Disaster Risk through Inclusive and Participatory Mechanisms](#)

