

## Scaling up investments in climate resilience to meet the needs of vulnerable people

Resilience Roundtable of Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action<sup>1</sup> 13:15 -14:45, Monday, 10 December 2018, Katowice

2017 was not only the hottest year on record but also the costliest in terms of damages from severe weather and climate events. Followed by extreme weather continuing to claim lives and destroy livelihoods in 2018, there is an urgent need to scale up action and investment into climate resilience across and within sectors.

This roundtable will focus on identifying the actions that public, private and community actors are taking to scale up and accelerate investments to meet the needs of the most vulnerable people. It has three objectives:

- To share how we put the needs of the most vulnerable communities at the centre of increased climate action and investment into resilience.
- To provide an opportunity for stakeholders to set out what they have done, and most importantly what they plan to build climate resilience, putting people needs at the center.
- To identify how we can use public finance to increase investment from the private sector and serve communities to build climate resilience.

## Programme

Introduction - Laurie Goering, Thomson Reuters Foundation, Moderator

Welcome and Objectives of Resilience Roundtable - Minister Inia Seruiratu, High Level Climate Champion, Fiji

Why Resilience Really Matters to Developing Countries - Dr. Hon Jerome Walcott, Foreign Minister, Barbados

*What does climate resilience mean for people living in informal settlements?* – Sheela Patel, Director of the Society for Promotion of Area Resource Centres, Chair of Slum Dwellers International.

Building Momentum for Action on Climate Resilience – Patricia Espinosa, Executive Secretary, UNFCCC

What more should we be doing to put community needs at the centre of increased action for climate resilience?

Ekhosuehi Iyahen, Secretary General, Insurance Development Forum H.E. Dr. Mary Goretti Kitutu Kimono, State Minister for the Environment, Uganda Jagan Chapagain, Under Secretary General, IFRC H.E. Mr. Luhut Binsar Pandjaitan, Minister for Maritime Affairs, Republic of Indonesia Bijal Brahmbhatt, Director of Mahila Housing SEWA Trust, India Deon Nel, CEO, Global Resilience Partnership Tarcila Rivera Zea, Director, CHIRAPAQ, Centro de Culturas Indígenas del Perú Aron Cramer, CEO, BSR H.E Dr. Yasmine Fouad, Minister of Environment, Egypt What more should we be doing to scale up all investment for climate resilience to meet the needs of most vulnerable people and countries?

Naoko Ishii, CEO, Global Environment Facility Minister Lina Pohl, El Salvador, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources (MARN) Kevin Rabinovitch, the Global Vice President for Sustainability, Mars Peter Damgaard-Jensen, CEO, PKA Maria Flachsbarth, Parliamentary State Secretary, Germany Andreas Ahrens, Head of Climate, Inter IKEA Group Abyd Karmali, Managing Director, Climate Finance, Bank of America Merrill Lynch Patrick Verkooijen, CEO, Global Centre on Adaptation Beth deHaMel, Chief Financial Officer, Mercy Corps Bernice K. Van Bronkhorst, Climate Change, Director, World Bank

What are the main climate resilience actions we have heard today, and are there any gaps?

Jay Koh, co-founder and Managing Director of The Lightsmith Group

Jane Madgwick, CEO, Wetlands International

Vositha Wijenayake, Member of National Expert Committee on Adaptation, Sri Lanka/ Member, Sri Lankan Delegation

Victoria Tauli-Corpuz, UN Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples 4. Ashok-Alexander Sridharan, Mayor of Bonn and President of ICLEI, Marrakech Partnership leadership network.

Nick Bridge, Special Representative for Climate Change, UK LDC representative TBC

Closing -Tomasz Chruszczow, COP24 Special Envoy for Climate Change, High Level Climate Champion Poland

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