



November 7<sup>th</sup> 2012

**Adaptation Practitioners Days  
December 1<sup>st</sup> – December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012**

Adaptation Practitioners Days is a new interactive event that will bring together pioneers of adaptation to share experiences of climate-resilient development in action. The two-day event features presentations and films that showcase practical solutions for adaptation in Africa, the Middle East, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean.

Adaptation Practitioners Days addresses the question “what is adaptation in practice?” by bringing the experience of concrete adaptation actions from the field and by sharing lessons learned from more than 10 years of innovative adaptation financing through the Funds established under the UNFCCC – the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund.

From the glacial lakes of Bhutan to the low-lying atolls of the Pacific, from combatting drought in Ethiopia to strengthening resilience to floods in Rwanda, Adaptation Practitioners Days explores a rich array of practices and technologies for adaptation, in different development sectors, and in different social and economic settings.

The Global Environmental Facility (GEF) will facilitate Adaptation Practitioners Days in collaboration with the Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), and under the sponsorship of the Governments of Germany, the Gambia and Tuvalu.

This event will be held in conjunction with Development and Climate Days, facilitated by the Red Cross / Red Crescent Climate Centre (RCCC) and the International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED).

**If you like to attend the Adaptation Practitioners Day, please register at:**

<http://www.climatecentre.org/development-and-climate-days>

**Venue:** Ezdan Hotel & Suites (with shuttle bus service with conference center)

**Address:** West Bay, Al Dafna, P.O.Box: 23488 Doha, Qatar

(Ezdan Hotel & Suites is located in the West Bay in the heart of the new business district, close to the UNFCCC convention Centre and 15 minutes by car from Doha Airport.)

**Updated information on the program and logistic will be available on:** <http://www.thegef.org/gef/adaptation-practitioner-days>

## The Program, Saturday 01-12-2012

Adaptation Practitioners Days		IIED and RCRC <sup>1</sup>
<b>MAIN EVENT</b>		
<b>DAY 1 (Opening Session): Adaptation in Practice - Africa, Asia and Latin America</b>		
2:00pm - 2:45pm	<p><b>Welcome</b>  <i>Introductory remarks:</i> Naoko Ishii (Chief Executive Officer, Global Environment Facility)  <b>Panel:</b> Christiana Figueres (Executive Secretary, UNFCCC), Rachel Kyte, (Vice-President of Sustainable Development Network, World Bank), Helen Clark (Administrator, UNDP), Alexander Müller (Assistant-Director General of Natural Resources and Environment Department, FAO), Achim Steiner (Executive Director, UNEP), Richard Muyungi (Chair, SBSTA), High level government officials of Gambia, Germany and Tuvalu</p>	
<b>La Perla Hall: Adaptation in Africa and the Middle East</b>		<b>Stella Hall: Adaptation in Asia</b>
3:00pm - 4:30pm	<p><b>Part 1</b>  <b>Chair:</b> Jarju Ousman (Chair, Least Developed Countries Group)  <b>Moderator:</b> Bonizella Biagini (Head of Adaptation Program, GEF Secretariat)</p> <p><b>Speakers</b>  <b>Adaptation Practitioners from:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Gambia:</b> “Strengthening Climate Change Early Warning Systems”</li> <li>▪ <b>Malawi:</b> “Adaptation for Rural Livelihoods and Agriculture”</li> <li>▪ <b>Ethiopia:</b> “Coping with Drought and Climate Change”</li> <li>▪ <b>Tanzania:</b> “Adaptation for Water Resources management in Pangani River Basin”</li> </ul> <p><b>Discussion/Q&amp;A</b></p>	<p>3:00pm - 4:30pm</p> <p><b>Chair:</b> Pepetua Latasi (Chair, Least Developed Countries Expert Group)  <b>Moderator:</b> Saleem Huq (Director, International Centre for Climate Change and Development - Bangladesh)</p> <p><b>Speakers</b>  <b>Adaptation Practitioners from:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Regional:</b> “Pacific Adaptation to Climate Change”</li> <li>▪ <b>Bangladesh:</b> “Community-based Adaptation through Coastal Afforestation”</li> <li>▪ <b>Cambodia:</b> “Climate-Resilient Water Management and Agricultural Practices”</li> <li>▪ <b>China:</b> “Adaptation for Water Resources Management and Rural Development”</li> <li>▪ <b>India:</b> “Adaptation to Climate Change in Drought Stricken Areas in South India”</li> </ul> <p><b>Discussion/Q&amp;A</b></p> <p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p>
		<b>SIDE EVENTS</b> Development and Climate Days

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4:30pm - 4:45pm	<b>Coffee Break</b>			
4:45pm - 6:15pm	<p><b><u>Part 2</u></b> <b><u>Speakers</u></b> <b>Adaptation Practitioners from:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Morocco:</b> “Promoting Climate Resilience in Agricultural and Water Sectors”</li> <li>▪ <b>Egypt:</b> “Adaptation to Climate Change in the Nile Delta Through Integrated Coastal Zone Management”</li> <li>▪ <b>Djibouti:</b> “Implementing Adaptation in Vulnerable Coastal Zones”</li> <li>▪ <b>Rwanda:</b> “Disaster Preparedness and Watershed Management in Flood Prone Areas”</li> </ul> <p><b>Discussion/Q&amp;A</b></p> <p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p>			

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	<b>MAIN EVENT Development and Climate Days</b>	<b>SIDE EVENT</b>
		<b>DAY 1: Adaptation in Practice - Africa, Asia and Latin America</b>
		<b>Stella Hall: Adaptation in Latin America and the Caribbean</b>
9:00am - 9:30am		Breakfast
9:30am - 12:00pm		<p><b>Introduction to projects by Adaptation Practitioners</b>  <i>Chair: Jorge Rucks (Director of National Environment Directorate, Ministry of Environment - Uruguay)</i>  <i>Panel: Kishan Kumarsingh (Head of Multilateral Environmental Agreements, Ministry of Housing and the Environment - Trinidad), Mary Barton-Dock (Director of Climate Policy, The World Bank), Angela Andrade (Conservation International – Colombia), Jamaica Representative</i></p> <p><b>Films:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Colombia:</b> “Lessons Learned from the Integrated National Adaptation Project”</li> <li>▪ <b>Jamaica and Bolivia:</b> “Community-Based Adaptation”</li> </ul> <p><b>Discussion/Q&amp;A</b></p> <p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p>

## The Program, Sunday 02-12-2012

Adaptation Practitioners Days		IIED and RCRC
<b>MAIN EVENT</b>		
<b>DAY 2: Adaptation in Practice – Development Sectors</b>		
<b>La Perla Hall: Adaptation Actions in Food Security and Water Resource Management</b>		<b>Stella Hall: Adaptation in Disaster Risk Management/ Coastal Zone Management/ Health</b>
<b>9:30am - 10:00am</b>	<b>Breakfast</b>	
<b>10:00am - 11:30am</b>	<p><b>Part 1</b>  <b>Chair:</b> Alexander Müller (Assistant-Director General of Natural Resources and Environment Department, FAO)  <b>Moderator:</b> Youssef Nassef (Adaptation Programme Manager, UNFCCC)</p> <p><b>Speakers</b>  <b>Adaptation Practitioners from:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Niger:</b> “Build Resilience of the Agriculture Sector to Climate Change”</li> <li>▪ <b>Sudan:</b> “Building Resilience in the Agriculture and Water Sectors”</li> <li>▪ <b>Burkina Faso:</b> “Strengthening adaptation capacities for agriculture”</li> <li>▪ <b>Zimbabwe:</b> “Coping with Drought”</li> </ul> <p>Discussion/Q&amp;A</p>	<p><b>10:00am - 11:30am</b></p> <p><b>Presentations - Adaptation in Disaster Risk Management/ Coastal Zone Management/ Health</b>  <b>Chair:</b> Minister of Environment of Maldives and Mauskar  <b>Moderator:</b> Bindu Lohani (Vice-President of Sustainable Development, ADB)</p> <p><b>Speakers</b>  <b>Adaptation Practitioners from:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Regional:</b> “Southeastern Europe and Caucasus Catastrophe Risk Insurance Facility”</li> <li>▪ <b>Sao Tome and Principe:</b> “Adaptation to Climate Change for Vulnerable Coastal Communities”</li> <li>▪ <b>Kiribati:</b> “Increasing Resilience to Climate Vulnerability and Hazards”</li> <li>▪ <b>Global:</b> “Piloting Adaptation to Protect Human Health”</li> </ul> <p>Discussion/Q&amp;A</p> <p>Closing Remarks</p>
<b>11:30am - 11:45am</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>	

**SIDE EVENTS**  
**Development and Climate Days**

<p><b>11:45am - 1:15pm</b></p>	<p><b>Part 2</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Sierra Leone:</b> “Integrating Adaptation into Agricultural Production and Food Security”</li><li>▪ <b>Mali:</b> “Agricultural production for food security in rural areas of Mali”</li></ul> <p><b>Discussion/Q&amp;A</b></p> <p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p>			
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		<b>DAY 2: Adaptation in Development Sectors</b>
		<b>Stella Hall: “Revealed: The Himalayan Meltdown” Screening</b>
2:30pm - 5:30pm		<p><b>Opening Remarks</b></p> <p><i>Chair: Ugyen Tshewang (Secretary of National Environment Commission – Bhutan)</i>  <i>Panel: Thinley Namgyel (Chief Environment Officer – Climate Change Division, National Environment Commission - Bhutan), Yannick Glemarec (Executive Coordinator, UNDP-GEF)</i></p> <p><b>Movie Feature: “Revealed: The Himalayan Meltdown”</b></p> <p><b>Discussion/Q&amp;A</b></p> <p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p>