



UN Climate Change Global Innovation Hub Pavillon Sessions @COP27

CONCEPT NOTE

#Solutions Day, Session

Title of the session: *Accelerating Climate Change Adaptation Action through Innovation*

Theme and Focus: *Solutions (Nov 17)*

Day/time: *Thursday 17th November 2022/ 60 minutes session, from 11:00 – 12:00 (Egypt time) .*

Context/Background: *The purpose of the event is to engage in a discussion on accelerating, encouraging and enabling climate change adaptation innovation for an effective, long-term global response to climate change. The Adaptation Fund launched the Adaptation Fund Climate Innovation Accelerator (AFCIA) in 2018 which is fostering innovation of adaptation practices at the local level in vulnerable countries. UNEP-CTCN and UNDP are administrating these grants and with over 3 years of implementation, present an opportunity to share key lessons and best practices for scaling up local innovation. The event will also present an opportunity to hear about scalable solutions from local actors, university/research organization, thought leaders and youth voices. Finally, the event will raise awareness of the work done in the innovation space, as well as highlight funding opportunities especially established to support innovation in adaptation.*

Goals:

1. *Highlight funding opportunities to support innovation in adaptation.*
2. *Present lessons and best practice from the Adaptation Fund Climate Innovation Accelerator (AFCIA)*
3. *Discuss thought leadership for accelerating, encouraging and enabling climate change adaptation innovation*

Description of the session: *This session will focus on sharing models, approaches, solutions and partnerships to promote innovation in adaptation.*

Format: *Opening remarks followed by one panel discussion in the presence of AFCIA grantees, and thought innovation leaders for a timeline of 60mn mins total.*

Targeted speakers:

Moderator/s – Ms. Saliha Dobardzic, Sr. Climate Change Specialist) / Ms. Alyssa Gomes, Climate Change Specialist Adaptation Fund

Deliverables of the session: [a minute with the presentations used and the final agenda will be shared]



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Platform:

XXX (speakers only): [Link](#)

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Promotion

We ask for your help in promoting your involvement in this event through your communications team. We will be using the #UGIHCOP27 hashtags on social media to refer to the UGIH dialogue at COP 27.

Gender pledge: NOTE: In pursuit of balanced gender and the geographical distribution across panelists/speakers, applicants will be asked to pledge to the commitment and indicate the planned gender distribution of panelists during the application. Applicants will be asked to provide an approximate indicative figure in recognition that speakers may change later due to unavoidable circumstances. The secretariat will consider gender and geographical balance in selecting the panelists as well as a moderator for the event, with a high consideration given to the speaker/moderators from the Global South.

Example of a run of Show:

Time	Description	Speaker
2 min	Welcome Remarks	Ms. Saliha Dobardzic, Sr. Climate Change Specialist Adaptation Fund
18 min	High-level panel	Mr. Mikko Ollikainen, Manager Adaptation Fund Dr. Rose Mwebaza, Director of the Climate Technology Centre & Network and Mr. Alvin Chandra from UNEP. Mr. Pradeep, Director and Executive Coordinator of UNDP’s Nature, Climate and Energy Unit
10 mins	Experience from Adaptation Fund Climate Innovation Accelerator (AFCIA) Grantees	Grantee from UNEP-CTCN - Omar Saleh, Zephyr consulting (implementer of SLAMDAM in Burundi) along with Mr. Lievin Ndayizeye, Designated Authority for the Adaptation Fund.



		Grantee from AF-EU-UNDP Innovation Small Grant Aggregator Platform (ISGAP) - Mr. Dipayan Dey, South Asian Forum for Environment (implementer of “HEAL: Horticultural Entrepreneurship in Adaptive Livelihood for Post-Pandemic Economic Resilience in India”).
15	Panel Discussion Thought Leaders	Maryke an Staden, Director of ICLEI’s carbon Climate Center YOUTH AB Member, Tambe Honourine Enow, winners of the CTCN Innovation Hubs Mr. Fahad Ifaz, Founder of iFarmer, Democratizing Agriculture Financing And Supply Chain.
13 min	Q & A	Moderator/s – Ms. Saliha Dobardzic, Sr. Climate Change Specialist) / Ms. Alyssa Gomes, Climate Change Specialist Aaptation Fund
2 mins	Wrap up and closing	Ms. Saliha Dobardzic, Sr. Climate Change Specialist