



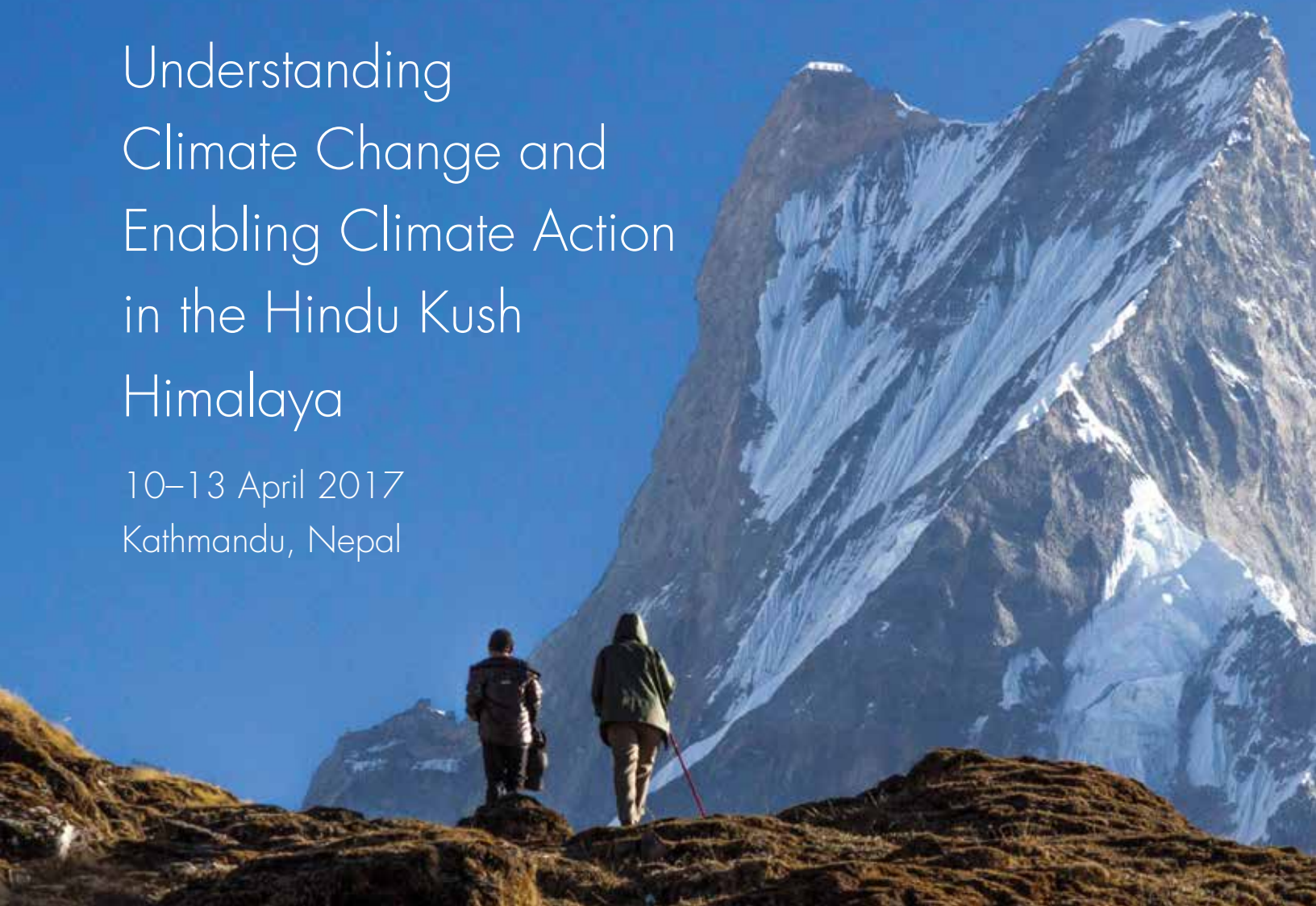
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International Conference on
Understanding
Climate Change and
Enabling Climate Action
in the Hindu Kush
Himalaya

10–13 April 2017
Kathmandu, Nepal



Programme at a Glance

Session	Pre-Conference 10 Apr 2017 <i>Venue: ICIMOD</i>	DAY 1 11 Apr 2017 <i>Venue: ICIMOD/ Hotel Himalaya</i>	DAY 2 12 Apr 2017 <i>Venue: Hotel Himalaya</i>	DAY 3 13 Apr 2017 <i>Venue: Hotel Himalaya</i>
Morning session	National Youth Forum: Inspiring Youth for Climate Action	Media Workshop <i>Venue: ICIMOD</i>	Messages from Fifth Assessment Report (AR5)	Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) Process and Special Report on Climate Change, Oceans and Cryosphere (SROCC): How the Region could Contribute and Benefit?
Afternoon session		Inaugural and Keynote Plenary Session <i>Venue: Hotel Himalaya</i>	<u>Parallel Session I</u> Science-Policy Dialogue: Key Findings of the Comprehensive Assessment of the HKH (HIMAP)	<u>Parallel Session I</u> Climate Change Adaptation and Regional Learning
		Reception dinner hosted by MoPE	<u>Parallel Session II</u> Anecdotal Evidence of Climate Change: Listening to Mountain Voices	<u>Parallel Session II</u> Climate Change Implications for Business: Moving Together for Climate Action
				Closing Session

Introduction

Scientific data are essential for understanding how climate is changing over time, and assessments provide crucial information for generating evidence-based policy for climate action at all levels of government. With the Paris Agreement on climate change in place, there is a need for concentrated efforts to increase climate resilience through appropriate adaptation measures and emissions mitigation. Regional cooperation and climate investments will also be required for achieving the ambitious goals formulated in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Mountains appear rugged and majestic, but they hold fragile environments that are particularly vulnerable to climate change. Warming trends in the Himalaya are higher than the global average, which is a cause for great concern, as these changes have cascading effects. The increasing frequency and magnitude of extreme weather events and natural hazards can lead to flooding and destroy crops. On the other hand, too little rain can lead to crop failure, which has far-reaching consequences for the economy and livelihoods. Climate-influenced change on habitats affects wildlife, farming and grazing conditions, and the availability of natural resources. Thus the need for scientific data to generate informed and effective policies about climate change adaptation and mitigation is higher than ever.

The Government of Nepal (GoN) has embarked on climate-smart development with a sound policy framework and number of programmes focusing on adaptation and mitigation efforts. Currently, Nepal serves as a chair on the Adaptation Board of the United Nations' Least Developed Countries at the UNFCCC and is spearheading local and national adaptation plans for mainstreaming those plans into the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Objective

The Ministry of Population and Environment (MoPE), Government of Nepal, and the International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD), with the participation of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), are organizing an International Conference on "Understanding Climate Change and Enabling Climate Action in the Hindu Kush Himalaya (HKH)".

The primary objective of the event is to foster cooperation among participating countries by raising awareness about climate change and to enable climate action in the HKH by encouraging climate investments and through mutual learning and sharing. More specifically, the conference objectives are as follows:

- **To raise awareness** among broad stakeholders about the outcomes of the IPCC Fifth Assessment Report (AR5) and the Himalayan Monitoring and Assessment Programme (HIMAP) of ICIMOD, and to demonstrate how climate change impacts are affecting the region. The event will highlight potential solutions to the challenges of climate change, focussing on adaptation;
- **To promote knowledge sharing**, especially among policymakers and the scientific community from the region, about the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) cycle work plan, priorities of the IPCC, and the state of Nepal's action on climate change adaptation including its National Adaptation Plans (NAP). ICIMOD will also share its strategic priorities for combating climate change in the region as these pertain to mountain systems;
- **To enlist the participation of the local science and research community including indigenous mountain communities** in climate research and to encourage regional contributions to future assessments and climate change studies;
- **To foster a better understanding among the news media, youth, and private sector** about climate science, the IPCC's role, and innovative solutions for climate change as it affects vulnerable mountain environments and communities; and
- **To present key findings of climate change studies and enable climate action among** policy makers, development practitioners, youth, civil society, and business sector representatives.

About the Event

MoPE and ICIMOD will co-host the event with the participation of IPCC. There will be sessions devoted to the IPCC 2016-22 plans, the production of the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6), and the Fifth Assessment Report (AR5) findings, and how these are being operationalized in South Asia. MoPE and ICIMOD will highlight Nepal's climate-smart development as well as its national and local adaptation plans. ICIMOD will present the key findings of the Himalayan Monitoring and Assessment Programme (HIMAP) and ways to synergize these findings with IPCC assessments. The event will have sessions for interaction with business leaders, mountain communities, the local scientific community and civil society. In addition, MoPE, ICIMOD and the IPCC will host a poster showcase, demonstrating various climate change-related studies and actions.

Prior to the conference, a special event for youth and media will be held at ICIMOD on 10 April 2017 in collaboration with the Himalayan Climate Initiative (HCI)– a youth-driven civil society organization based in Nepal, and Climate Alliance of Himalayan Communities (CAHC).

Geographic Scope

South Asia with particular focus on the mountain systems of the HKH. Participants will be invited from all eight ICIMOD regional member countries: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, China, India, Myanmar, Nepal, and Pakistan.

Target audience

- Policymakers at local, national and regional levels;
- International and intergovernmental organizations;
- Mountain community representatives;
- Members of the climate and disaster risk reduction community;
- Business leaders;
- Civic organizations;
- Civil society organizations;
- Members of the science and research community; and
- Media and youth groups.

Overall Programme

Time	Sessions	Agenda	Coordinated by	Venue
Pre-Conference: Monday, 10 April 2017				
08:45 – 17:00	Full Day Session	National Youth Forum: Inspiring Youth for Climate Actions	MoPE, ICIMOD, and HCI	Kanchenjunga Meeting Hall, ICIMOD
DAY 1: Tuesday, 11 April 2017				
09:00 – 12:30	Morning Session	Media Workshop	MoPE, ICIMOD and IPCC	Kanchenjunga Meeting Hall, ICIMOD
14:00 – 19:20	Inaugural and Keynote Plenary Session	Inaugural and Keynote Plenary Session - Keynote Presentations - Panel Discussion - Press conference	MoPE, ICIMOD and IPCC	Himalaya Hall, Hotel Himalaya
19:20 – 21:00		Reception dinner hosted by Ministry of Population and Environment (MoPE), Government of Nepal	MoPE and ICIMOD	Garden, Hotel Himalaya
DAY 2: Wednesday, 12 April 2017				
09:30 – 13:00	Morning Plenary Session	Messages from Fifth Assessment Report (AR5)	IPCC and ICIMOD	Himalaya Hall, Hotel Himalaya
14:00 – 17:00	Afternoon Parallel Session	Session I: Science-Policy Dialogue: Key Findings of the Comprehensive Assessment of the HKH (HIMAP)	Session II: Anecdotal Evidences of Climate Change: Listening to Mountain Voices	MoPE, ICIMOD and CAHC Hotel Himalaya <i>Session I:</i> Himalaya Hall <i>Session II:</i> Rato Baithak
DAY 3: Thursday, 13 April 2017				
09:00 – 13:00	Morning Plenary Session	Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) Process and Special Report on Climate Change, Oceans and Cryosphere (SROCC): How the Region could Contribute and Benefit?	IPCC and ICIMOD	Himalaya Hall, Hotel Himalaya
14:00 – 17:00	Afternoon Parallel Session	Session I: Climate Change Adaptation and Regional Learning	Session II: Climate Change Implications to Businesses: Moving Together for Climate Action	MoPE, ICIMOD, IPCC, and CAHC Hotel Himalaya <i>Session I:</i> Himalaya Hall <i>Session II:</i> Skyline Hall
17:00 – 17:30		Closing Session Remarks by MoPE, IPCC, and ICIMOD	MoPE, ICIMOD, and IPCC	Himalaya Hall, Hotel Himalaya

Pre-Conference Event

National Youth Forum – Inspiring Youth for Climate Actions

Monday, 10 April 2017

Kanchenjunga Meeting Hall

ICIMOD Headquarters, Kathmandu

National Youth Forum – Inspiring Youth for Climate Actions

Background

ICIMOD engages young professionals to build their understanding of climate change science and to develop their capacity to bring about positive change in society. As agents of change in local communities, young people can engage at the grassroots, national, regional, and international levels and be instrumental in communicating climate change knowledge and its impacts to a wider public. This one-day pre-conference event supports ICIMOD's focus on the crucial role of youth in climate action. The event will be jointly facilitated by ICIMOD, the Himalayan Climate Initiative (HCI), and the Climate Alliance of Himalayan Communities (CAHC).

The main objectives of this youth forum are to:

- Sensitize youth to improved understanding of climate science, climate change solutions and the IPCC process;
- Foster networking among young researchers for better collaboration, integration, and innovation in addressing climate change; and
- Empower youth to inspire others and take climate action in their own communities.

Session coordinator

[Mr Udayan Mishra](#), Knowledge Management and Networking Officer, ICIMOD

[Ms Bivishika Bhandari](#), Head of Marketing and Outreach, HCI

Rapporteur

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[Ms Bivishika Bhandari](#), Head of Marketing and Outreach, HCI

Programme Details

Time	Agenda
08:45 – 9:15	Registration
09:15 – 10:30	<p>Opening and Keynote Presentation Session: Inspiring Youth for Climate Actions</p> <p>Moderated by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Udayan Mishra, Knowledge Management and Networking Officer, ICIMOD - Ms Bivishika Bhandari, Head of Marketing and Outreach, HCI <p>Introduction and Overview of the Event (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Laurie Vasily, Head of Knowledge Management and Communication, ICIMOD <p>Welcome Remarks with Introduction to ICIMOD and HKH (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr David Molden, Director General, ICIMOD <p>Keynote Address on Youth, Mountain and Climate Change (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Basanta Shrestha, Director of Strategic Cooperation, ICIMOD <p>Welcome Remarks: IPCC Mandate, Structure and History (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Jonathan Lynn, Head of Communications and Media Relations, IPCC <p>Welcome Remarks: The Great Himalaya Trail Story (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Shilshila Acharya, CEO, HCI <p>Video: IPCC Fifth Assessment Report - Synthesis Report (15 min)</p>
10:30 – 11:00	Group Photo and Tea Break
11:00 – 12:40	<p>Thematic Presentation Session</p> <p>Climate Change and Impacts in the HKH (20 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Eklabya Sharma, Deputy Director General, ICIMOD <p>Geo-Information for Climate Actions (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Birendra Bajracharya, Regional Programme Manager MENRIS, ICIMOD <p>Connecting the Dots: Youth, Gender and Climate Change (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Chanda Gurung Goodrich, Senior Gender Specialist, ICIMOD <p>Youth for Climate Action - Why and How? (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Shilshila Acharya, CEO, HCI <p>Youth in Action – HOPE Campaign (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Prem Bahadur Bohara, CEO, CAHC <p>Q&A Session (20 min)</p> <p>Moderated by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Udayan Mishra, Knowledge Management and Networking Officer, ICIMOD - Ms Bivishika Bhandari, Head of Marketing and Outreach, HCI
12:40 – 13:40	Lunch

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13:40 – 16:45	<p data-bbox="347 207 675 240">Youth Energizing Session</p> <p data-bbox="347 263 899 295">Video: Mountain and Climate Change (SDC) (6 min)</p> <p data-bbox="357 315 646 344">Introduction session (30 min)</p> <ul data-bbox="393 347 984 376" style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderated by Mr Prem Bahadur Bohara, CEO, CAHC <p data-bbox="357 393 971 422">Group discussion: Identifying Community Issues (1 hr 20 min)</p> <ul data-bbox="393 425 1208 454" style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderated by Ms Bivishika Bhandari, Head of Marketing and Outreach, HCI <p data-bbox="357 470 971 500">Group discussion: Poster Format Proposed Solutions (30 min)</p> <ul data-bbox="393 503 1208 532" style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderated by Ms Bivishika Bhandari, Head of Marketing and Outreach, HCI <p data-bbox="357 548 1380 610">Group Exercise: Compiling List of Problems, Solutions and Creating A Proposal/Letter to Present in the “Media Workshop” (30 min)</p> <ul data-bbox="393 613 984 643" style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderated by Mr Prem Bahadur Bohara, CEO, CAHC
16:45 – 17:00	<p data-bbox="347 652 506 685">Closing Session</p>

DAY 1

Tuesday, 11 April 2017

Media Workshop *(Morning Session)*

Venue: Kanchenjunga Meeting Hall
ICIMOD, Kathmandu

Inaugural and Keynote Plenary Session

Venue: Himalaya Hall, Hotel Himalaya

Media Workshop

(Morning Session)

Background

The objective of the Media Workshop is to foster a better understanding among news media and youth about climate science, solutions to climate change, and the IPCC process. Journalists and communications specialists as well as youth working in fields related to climate change will attend the session.

Session Coordinator

[Dr Laurie Vasily](#), Head of Knowledge Management and Communication, ICIMOD

[Ms Nira Gurung](#), Senior Communications Officer/Media and Dissemination, ICIMOD

Moderator

[Mr Omair Ahmad](#), Managing Editor, South Asia, The Third Pole, New Delhi, India

Rapporteur

[Ms Rachana Chettri](#), Knowledge Management and Communication, ICIMOD

[Ms Smita Ghimire](#), Knowledge Management and Communication, ICIMOD

Programme Details

Time	Agenda
09:00 – 9:30	Registration
09:30 – 10:00	<p>Welcome Remarks (5 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Ram Hari Pantha, Under Secretary and Head-Climate Change Section, MoPE, Government of Nepal <p>Background and Introduction (5 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Laurie Vasily, Head, Knowledge Management and Communication, ICIMOD <p>Keynote Address: For Mountains and People: An Overview of ICIMOD’s work in the Hindu Kush Himalaya (20 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr David Molden, Director General, ICIMOD
10:00 – 10:40	<p>Keynote Presentation (10 min each)</p> <p>Introduction to Climate Science: Basic Issues in Climate Science: Greenhouse Effect, Evidence of Change and Causes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Panmao Zhai, Co-Chair, Working Group I, IPCC, AR6 <p>Impacts and Future Risks: What Are the Effects of Climate Change Options for Adaptation: How Can Society and Nature Adjust?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Joy Jacqueline Pereira, Vice-Chair of Working Group II, IPCC, AR6 <p>Options for Mitigation: What Can Be Done to Reduce GHG Emissions?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Priyadarshi R. Shukla, Co-Chair of Working Group III IPCC, AR6 <p>Q&A Session (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderated by Mr Omair Ahmad, Managing Editor, South Asia, The Third Pole
10:40 – 11:00	Tea Break
11:00 – 11:20	<p>The AR6 Process: How the IPCC Produces Reports: IPCC Mandate, Structure and History (20 min)</p> <p>AR6 and Producing an IPCC Report (including author selection, developing country participation, what scientific literature is included, the review process, the approval process, handling errors)</p> <p>Communications issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Jonathan Lynn, Head of Communications and Media Relations, IPCC
11:20 – 11:40	<p>Climate Change in Nepal from Media Perspectives (20 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Ramesh Bhushal, General Secretary, Nepal Forum of Environmental Journalists (NEFEJ) and Nepal Editor, The Third Pole

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11:40 – 11:50	Communicating Climate Change in the HKH (10 min) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Laurie Vasily, Head, Knowledge Management and Communication, ICIMOD
11:50 – 12:00	Sharing from the National Youth Forum held on 10 April 2017 (10 min) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Prem Bahadur Bohora, CEO, CAHC - Ms Bivishika Bhandari, Head of Marketing and Outreach, HCI
12:00 – 12:30	What makes climate change the most exciting story in the news? (30 min) Moderated by: Mr Omair Ahmad , Managing Editor, South Asia, The Third Pole <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reports on climate change in the media can sometimes be technical and removed from the average citizen. What can the media do to take climate change information to the average reader? - How to reach various stakeholders and impact and influence their conduct towards becoming resilient and responsive to climate change?
12:30 – 13:15	Lunch

Inaugural and Keynote Plenary Session

Programme Details

Time	Agenda
14:00 – 14:30	Registration
14:30 – 15:00	Welcome Address (10 min) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr Bishwa Nath Oli, Secretary, MoPE, Government of Nepal Address (5 min) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr David Molden, Director General, ICIMOD Video Message (5 min) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr Hoesung Lee, Chair, IPCC Mountain Agenda and IPCC – An Overview (10 min) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr Basanta Shrestha, Director of Strategic Cooperation, ICIMOD
15:00 – 16:30	Keynote Presentations: (15 min each) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Climate Change in the HKH and Implications<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr David Molden, Director General, ICIMODPathways to Climate Smart Development in Nepal<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr Ram Prasad Lamsal, Joint Secretary, MoPE, Government of NepalHighlights of the HKH Monitoring and Assessment Programme (HIMAP)<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr Eklabya Sharma, Deputy Director General, ICIMOD Overview of the Fifth Assessment Report (AR5): (15 min each) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Key messages on The Physical Science Basis<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr Panmao Zhai, Co-Chair, Working Group I, IPCC, AR6Key messages on Climate Change Adaptation: Focus on Nepal and South Asia<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr Joy Jacqueline Pereira, Vice-Chair of Working Group II, IPCC, AR6Key messages on Mitigation of Climate Change<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr Priyadarshi R. Shukla, Co-Chair of Working Group III IPCC, AR6
16:30 – 17:00	Tea Break

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16:30 – 17:00	<p>Press Conference (30 min)</p> <p>Q&A Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderated by Mr Jonathan Lynn, Head of Communications and Media Relations, IPCC
17:00 – 17:30	<p>Panel Discussion: Understanding Climate Change and Enabling Climate Actions</p> <p>Chair: Dr David Molden, Director General, ICIMOD</p> <p>Co-Chair: Mr Jonathan Lynn, Head of Communications and Media Relations, IPCC</p> <p>Panel Members (5 min each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Jib Raj Pokharel, Vice Chancellor, Nepal Academy of Science and Technology (NAST), Government of Nepal - Dr Himangana Gupta, Programme Officer, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India - Dr Binu Parthan, Regional Advisor for Asia Media Representative, Green Climate Fund (GCF) - Private Sector Representative - Ms Lakpa Dolma Sherpa, Vice Chairperson, Sagarmatha Chapter, CAHC - Ms Bindu Bhandari, Vice President, CliMates
17:30 – 18:30	<p>Q&A Session of Keynote Presentations and Panel Discussion (with all members) (30 min)</p> <p>Moderated by Mr Jonathan Lynn, Head of Communications and Media Relations, IPCC</p>
18:30 – 18:50	<p>Launch of ICIMOD Knowledge Products Developed with Partners: Adaptation Solution Brief – Women as Risk and Resource Managers and Poverty and Vulnerability Assessment Website (5 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Nand Kishor Agrawal, Programme Coordinator, Himalayan Climate Change Adaptation Programme (HICAP), ICIMOD <p>Inaugural Address (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Min Bahadur Shrestha, Vice-Chairman, National Planning Commission, Government of Nepal and ICIMOD Board Member <p>Vote of Thanks (5 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Nina Peeva, Communication Officer, IPCC
19:20 onwards	<p>Reception Dinner hosted by MoPE at Hotel Himalaya</p>

DAY 2:

Wednesday, 12 April 2017

Venue: Hotel Himalaya

- **Messages from the Fifth Assessment Report (AR5)**
Plenary Session – Himalaya Hall
- **Science-Policy Dialogue:
Key Findings of the Comprehensive Assessment
of the HKH (HIMAP)**
Parallel Session I – Himalaya Hall
- **Anecdotal Evidence of Climate Change:
Listening to Mountain Voices**
Parallel Session II – Rato Bhaithak

Messages from the Fifth Assessment Report (AR5)

(Plenary Session)

Background

This session will present the key messages of the Fifth Assessment Report (AR5) Working Group with a specific focus on Nepal and other SAARC countries and challenges that mountain regions are facing. The main objectives of the session are to raise awareness, especially among policymakers, about the outcomes of the AR5 and HIMAP and to demonstrate how climate change affects the region and highlight solutions to the challenges of climate change. This session will provide an opportunity for dialogue between local, regional, and national policymakers and other stakeholders on the challenges and priority actions on climate change with input from IPCC scientists and regional scientists.

Session Coordinator

[Dr Ram Prasad Lamsal](#), Joint Secretary, MoPE, Government of Nepal

[Ms Nina Peeva](#), Communication Officer, IPCC

Rapporteur

[Mr Bimal Raj Regmi](#), Governance Specialist – Livelihoods, ICIMOD

[Ms Shuvani Thapa](#), REDD+, ICIMOD

Programme Details

Time	Agenda
9:00 – 10:30	<p>Overview of the Fifth Assessment Report (AR5) Synthesis Report <i>(Continued from Day 1) (15 min each)</i></p> <p>Chair: Dr Panmao Zhai, Co-chair Working Group I, IPCC, AR6 Co-Chair: Mr Jonathan Lynn, Head of Communications and Media Relations, IPCC</p> <p>Key messages on Adaptation Options</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr Joy Jacqueline Pereira, Vice-Chair of Working Group II, IPCC, AR6 <p>Industry: Mitigation Options</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Prof Joyashree Roy, Coordinating Lead Author of AR5, and Professor of Economics, Jadavpur University <p>Human Settlements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr Shobhakar Dhakal, Associate Professor, Asian Institute of Technology and Coordinating Lead Author for the IPCC-AR5 (WGIII for the Chapter on Human Settlements, Infrastructure and Spatial Planning) <p>Sustainable development, livelihoods and poverty specific focus on rural areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Prof Purnamita Dasgupta, Ford Foundation Chair and Head, Environmental Economics Unit, Institute of Economic Growth (IEG) <p>Q&A Session (30 min)</p>
10:30 – 11:00	Tea Break

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11:00 – 13:00	<p data-bbox="341 203 1461 243">Importance of Regional and National Level Assessment and Reporting</p> <p data-bbox="341 251 1461 292">Chair: Dr David Molden, Director General, ICIMOD</p> <p data-bbox="341 292 1461 332">Co-Chair: Mr Jonathan Lynn, Head of Communications and Media Relations, IPCC</p> <p data-bbox="341 341 1461 381">Panel Members (7 min each)</p> <ul data-bbox="381 381 1461 844" style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Eklabya Sharma, Deputy Director General, ICIMOD - Mr Mohammad Rafi Qazizada, Director General-NRM, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock, Government of Afghanistan - Mr Md. Mes-babul Alam, Assistant Director, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of Bangladesh - Dr P. P. Dhyani, Director, G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment and Sustainable Development, Government of India - Ms Ren Ying, Department of Science and Technology and Climate Change, China Meteorological Administration, China - Prof Dr Kedar Rijal, Chairperson, Central Department of Environmental Science, Tribhuvan University, Nepal - Mr Shahzad Shigri, Director, Gilgit-Baltistan Environmental Protection Agency, Government of Pakistan <p data-bbox="341 860 1461 901">Response from IPCC</p> <ul data-bbox="381 901 1461 1274" style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Joy Jacqueline Pereira, Vice-Chair of Working Group II, IPCC, AR6 - Prof Joyashree Roy, Coordinating Lead Author of AR5, and Professor of Economics, Jadavpur University - Dr Shobhakar Dhakal, Associate Professor, Asian Institute of Technology and Coordinating Lead Author for the IPCC-AR5 (WGIII for the Chapter on Human Settlements, Infrastructure and Spatial Planning) - Prof Purnamita Dasgupta, Ford Foundation Chair and Head, Environmental Economics Unit, Institute of Economic Growth (IEG) - Dr Panmao Zhai, Co-Chair, Working Group I, IPCC, AR6 - Dr Priyadarshi R. Shukla, Co-Chair of Working Group III IPCC, AR6 <p data-bbox="341 1282 1461 1315">Q&A Session (30 min)</p>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch

Science-Policy Dialogue: Key Findings of the Comprehensive Assessment of the HKH (HIMAP)

(Parallel Session)

Background

The Hindu Kush Himalayan Monitoring and Assessment Programme (HIMAP) brings together hundreds of scientists and policy experts from the region and around the world to address knowledge gaps in the HKH and chart a way forward. The HIMAP comprehensive assessment goes beyond climate change to assist with efforts to address threats, act on opportunities, and scale up cutting-edge approaches. HIMAP derives inspiration from the Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Programme, which has systematically generated meaningful data and analysis about key trends and future scenarios to address climate change in the Arctic.

HIMAP is coordinated by ICIMOD with contributions from more than 300 researchers, practitioners, experts, and policy-makers, guided by a steering committee at the strategic level. The publication of the first Comprehensive Assessment of the HKH in 2017 is planned as a wide-ranging, innovative evaluation of the current state of knowledge in the region and of various drivers of change and their impacts. The assessment will also put forth a set of policy recommendations aimed at improving legislative action related to climate change throughout the HKH.

Session Coordinator

[Dr Philippus \(Flip\) Wester](#), HIMAP Coordinator and Chief Scientist Water Resources Management, ICIMOD

Rapporteurs

[Dr Anjal Prakash](#), Programme Coordinator HI-AWARE, ICIMOD

[Mr Nand Kishor Agrawal](#), Programme Coordinator HICAP, ICIMOD

Programme Details

Time	Activity
14:00 – 14:30	<p>Overview of Key Findings of the Comprehensive Assessment of the HKH (HIMAP)</p> <p>Opening Remarks (5 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr David Molden, Director General, ICIMOD <p>HIMAP Key Findings and Main Messages (25 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Philippus (Flip) Wester, HIMAP Coordinator and Chief Scientist Water Resources Management, ICIMOD
<p>14:30 – 16:00</p> <p>(3 rounds of 30 min each, with a working tea/coffee break)</p>	<p>Chapter Tables: Group Discussions on Key Findings of HIMAP Chapters with HIMAP Coordinating Lead Authors</p> <p>Scenarios</p> <p>Table Hosts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prof Joyashree Roy, Coordinating Lead Author of AR5, Professor of Economics at Jadavpur University - Dr MSR Murthy, Senior Consultant (Geospatial Solutions), ICIMOD <p>Climate Change</p> <p>Table Hosts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Arun Bhakta Shrestha, Regional Programme Manager-River Basins, ICIMOD - Prof Rupak Rajbhandari, Department of Meteorology, Trichandra Campus, Tribhuvan University <p>Ecosystems</p> <p>Table Hosts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Nakul Chettri, Programme Coordinator, Kangchenjunga Landscape Initiative, ICIMOD <p>Energy</p> <p>Table Hosts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Shobhakar Dhakal, Associate Professor, Asian Institute of Technology and Coordinating Lead Authors for the IPCC-AR5- WGIII for the Chapter on Human Settlements, Infrastructure and Spatial Planning - Mr Bikash Sharma, Senior Environmental Economist, ICIMOD <p>Cryosphere</p> <p>Table Host:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Walter Immerzeel, Associate Professor, Faculty of Geosciences, Utrecht University

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	<p>Water</p> <p>Table Hosts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Aditi Mukherji, Theme Leader-Water and Air, ICIMOD - Dr David Molden, Director General, ICIMOD <p>Food</p> <p>Table Host:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Golam Rasul, Theme Leader- Livelihoods, ICIMOD <p>Adaptation</p> <p>Table Host:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Arabinda Mishra, Senior Social Scientist, ICIMOD <p>Poverty</p> <p>Table Hosts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prof Purnamita Dasgupta, Ford Foundation Chair and Head, Environmental Economics Unit, Institute of Economic Growth (IEG) - Dr Ganesh Thapa, Independent Researcher
16:00 – 17:00	<p>Taking HIMAP Forward: Panel Discussion on Main Messages of the HIMAP Summary for Decision-Makers</p> <p>Chair: Dr Eklabya Sharma, Deputy Director General, ICIMOD</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prof Purnamita Dasgupta, Ford Foundation Chair and Head, Environmental Economics Unit, Institute of Economic Growth (IEG) - Dr Aditi Mukherji, Theme Leader-Water and Air, ICIMOD - Prof Joyashree Roy, Coordinating Lead Author of AR5, Professor of Economics at Jadavpur University - Dr Walter Immerzeel, Associate Professor, Utrecht University - Dr Shobhakar Dhakal, Associate Professor, Asian Institute of Technology and Coordinating Lead Authors for the IPCC-AR5- WGIII for the Chapter on Human Settlements, Infrastructure and Spatial Planning - Dr Panmao Zhai, Co-Chair, Working Group I, IPCC, AR6 - Dr Priyadarshi R. Shukla, Co-Chair of Working Group III IPCC, AR6

Anecdotal Evidence of Climate Change: Listening to Mountain Voices

(Parallel Session)

Background

Though mountain communities are most vulnerable to climate change, the mountain agenda is largely marginalized in global climate change discourse. This special session is dedicated to mountain communities to listen to their voices and first-hand experiences. The anecdotal evidence and local knowledge on various coping mechanisms and adaptation practices are important elements to enhance our understanding of climate change. This session provides an opportunity to hear mountain voices and their importance for inclusion in regional and global assessment processes. The participants represent diverse geographic regions of Nepal and will share stories that will be used to help frame national climate change policy and actions with a mountain focus, and to promote the mountain agenda in regional and global assessments. Furthermore, the 2030 SDGs and the Paris Climate Agreement are important visions and policy frameworks, adopted with the pledge that “no one is left behind”. In this context, the inclusion of mountain communities and promotion of a collaborative approach to facilitate effective integration of adaptation within sustainable development agenda have become ever more critical.

Session Coordinator

[Mr Ang Tshering Sherpa](#), Chairperson, CAHC

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[Mr Prem Bahadur Bohara](#), CEO, CAHC

Programme Details

Time	Activity
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Listening to Mountain Voices</p> <p>Chair: Dr Joy Jacqueline Pereira, Vice-Chair of Working Group II, IPCC, AR6 Co-Chair: Mr Ang Tshering Sherpa, Chairperson, CAHC</p> <p>Keynote Presentations (15 min each)</p> <p>Climate Change, Adaptation and Local Communities: Sociological Perspective to Understanding Mountain Voices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Anu Kumari Lama, Tourism Specialist, ICIMOD <p>Climate Change in Great Himalaya Trail (GHT): Highlighting the voices from Mountain Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Prem Bahadur Bohara, CEO, CAHC <p>Climate Change in Dolpa district</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Norbu Ghale, Member, CAHC <p>Climate Change in Mustang district</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Vidya Hirachan, Treasurer, CAHC <p>Climate Change in Taplejung district</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Chhurim Sherpa, Board Member, CAHC <p>Q&A Session (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderated by Ms Bivishika Bhandari, Head of Marketing and Outreach, HCI
15:30 – 16:00	<p>Tea Break</p>
16:00 – 17:00	<p>Panel Discussion: Inclusive Mountain Voices for Climate Action</p> <p>Chair: Mr Ang Tshering Sherpa, Chairperson, CAHC Co-Chair: Mr Basanta Shrestha, Director of Strategic Cooperation, ICIMOD</p> <p>Panel Members: (5 min each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Joy Jacqueline Pereira, Vice-Chair of Working Group II, IPCC, AR6 - Ms Shilshila Acharya, CEO, HCI - Mr Kul Bahadur Gurung, Secretary, CAHC - Ms Jony Mainaly, Programme Director, Digo Bikas Institute - Dr Amina Maharjan, Livelihoods Migration Specialist, ICIMOD - Ms Dibya Devi Gurung, Program Director, Gender and Social Inclusion Development, Knowledge Management and Innovation Services Private Limited, Core Associate; Women Organising for Change in Agriculture and Natural Resource Management

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	<p>Response from IPCC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Shobhakar Dhakal, Associate Professor, Asian Institute of Technology and Coordinating Lead Authors for the IPCC-AR5- WGIII for the Chapter on Human Settlements, Infrastructure and Spatial Planning <p>Q&A Session (30 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderated by Dr Anu Kumari Lama, Tourism Specialist, ICIMOD
17:00 – 17:15	<p>Official Book Launch “Climate Change in Nepal’s Himalaya—A Community Perspective” (15 min)</p> <p>Moderated by Ms Shilshila Acharya, CEO, HCI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr David Molden, Director General, ICIMOD - Dr Ram Prasad Lamsal, Joint Secretary, MoPE, Government of Nepal - Mr Ang Tshering Sherpa, Chairperson, CAHC

DAY 3

Thursday, 13 April 2017

Venue: Hotel Himalaya

- **Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) Process including Special Report on Climate Change, Oceans and Cryosphere (SROCC): How the Region could Contribute and Benefit?**

Plenary Session – Himalaya Hall

- **Climate Change Adaptation and Regional Learning**

Parallel Session I – Himalaya Hall

- **Climate Change Implications to Businesses: Moving Together for Climate Actions**

Parallel Session I – Skyline Hall

- **Concluding Session (17:00 – 17:30)**

Himalaya Hall

Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) Process including Special Report on Climate Change, Oceans and Cryosphere (SROCC): How the Region could Contribute and Benefit?

Background

IPCC assessments provide governments, at all levels, with scientific information they can use to develop climate policies. IPCC assessments are a key input for international negotiations to tackle climate change challenges. IPCC reports are drafted and reviewed in several stages, thus guaranteeing objectivity and transparency. In 2015 and 2016, the IPCC decided to produce a Sixth Assessment Report (AR6).

The main objective of this session is to present the future activities of the IPCC through 2022 and the production of the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6). This session will also raise awareness about the role of the IPCC and its authors, the IPCC process, and the opportunities for local scientists during the AR6. It will provide space for dialogue between the local research community and IPCC scientists. The session will be followed by a panel discussion with representatives of ICIMOD member countries discussing how the HKH can better respond to IPCC assessments and interactions with IPCC scientists.

Session Coordinator

[Mr Basanta Shrestha](#), Director, Strategic Cooperation, ICIMOD

[Ms Nina Peeva](#), Communication Officer, IPCC

Rapporteur

[Dr Nakul Chetri](#), Programme Coordinator, Kanchunjunga Landscape Initiative, ICIMOD

[Dr Anu Kumari Lama](#), Tourism Specialist, ICIMOD

Programme Details

Time	Agenda
9:00 – 11:00	<p>Chair: Dr Priyadarshi R. Shukla, Co-Chair of Working Group III, IPCC, AR6</p> <p>Co-Chair: Dr Eklabya Sharma, Deputy Director General, ICIMOD</p> <p>Overview on the role and activities of the IPCC (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Jonathan Lynn, Head of Communications and Media Relations, IPCC <p>Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) process (including Special Reports with focus on Special Report on Oceans and Cryosphere (SROCC)) (20 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Joy Jacqueline Pereira, Vice-Chair, Working Group II, IPCC <p>How could the region contribute to future assessments of the IPCC (30 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Panmao Zhai, Co-Chair, Working Group I, IPCC, AR6 - Dr Priyadarshi R. Shukla, Co-Chair, Working Group III, IPCC, AR6 <p>Climate Financing (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Binu Parthan, Regional Advisor for Asia Media Representative, Green Climate Fund (GCF) <p>The Importance of the Cryosphere in the HKH (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Walter Immerzeel, Associate Professor, Faculty of Geosciences, Utrecht University <p>Climate Change and a 1.5 Degree World in the HKH (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Arun Bhakta Shrestha, Regional Programme Manager, River Basins, ICIMOD
11:00 – 11:30	<p>Tea Break</p>
11:30 – 13:00	<p>Panel Discussion: How can the HKH region be better represented in the IPCC?</p> <p>Chair: Dr P. P. Dhyani, Director, G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment and Sustainable Development (GBPNIHESD)</p> <p>Co-Chair: Mr Basanta Shrestha, Director of Strategic Cooperation, ICIMOD</p> <p>Panelists (5 min each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Mohammed Tayib Bromand, Advisor to Director General, Ministry of Energy and Water, Afghanistan - Mr Karma Tsering, Director, National Center for Hydrology and Meteorology, Royal Government of Bhutan, Bhutan - Dr Himangana Gupta, Programme Officer, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, India - Mr Yu Fei, Chinese Academy of Meteorological Sciences, China - Dr Rishi Ram Sharma, Director General, Director General of Hydrology and Meteorology, Government of Nepal - Mr Hla Tun, Deputy Director, Meteorological Division, Myanmar - Dr Zia Hashmi, Head Glaciology, Global Change Impact Studies Centre, Pakistan - Dr Philippus (Flip) Wester, HIMAP Coordinator, Chief Scientist, Water Resources Management, ICIMOD <p>Response from IPCC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Panmao Zhai, Co-Chair, Working Group I, IPCC - Dr Priyadarshi R. Shukla, Co-Chair of Working Group III, IPCC - Prof Joyashree Roy, Coordinating Lead Author of AR5, and Professor of Economics, Jadavpur University <p>Q&A Session (30 min)</p>
13:00 – 14:00	<p>Lunch</p>

Climate Change Adaptation and Regional Learning

Background

Most countries in the Hindu Kush Himalaya (HKH) are formulating National Adaptation Plans (NAP) in the spirit of the Cancun Framework and the Paris Agreement. The NAP process will adopt an inclusive and multi-institutional approach and ensure participation and engagement of stakeholders through rigorous consultative mechanisms. The NAP process in the HKH will be guided by national policies and priorities and build upon the knowledge, experience, and lessons gleaned from the preparation and implementation of individual countries' National Adaptation Programmes of Action (NAPA), National Frameworks on Local Adaptation Plan for Action (LAPA), Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), and other national development strategies. While formulating NAPs, HKH countries also aim to build synergy with the UN's Sustainable Development Goals, the Sendai Framework on Disaster Risk Reduction, and other initiatives.

The Government of Nepal (GoN), ICIMOD and IPCC are organizing this session to showcase the lessons and experiences Nepal has developed through its innovative approach to address climate change risks and vulnerability. The organizers have invited distinguished speakers from Nepal and other HKH countries to highlight key experiences related to the NAP process. It is expected that the regional sharing of NAP experiences will help HKH member countries to enhance knowledge.

Session Coordinator

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Rapporteur

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[Mr Bimal Raj Regmi](#), Governance Specialist, Livelihoods, ICIMOD

Programme Details

Time	Agenda
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Climate Change Adaptation and Regional Sharing</p> <p>Chair: Dr Ram Prasad Lamsal, Joint Secretary, MoPE, Government of Nepal Co-Chair: Dr Eklabya Sharma, Deputy Director General, ICIMOD</p> <p>Keynote presentation: National Adaptation Plan - Experiences in Nepal (20 min) Mr Naresh Sharma, National Project Manager, MoPE, Government of Nepal</p> <p>Regional Learning on Adaptation Practices (15 min) Dr Dhruvad Choudhary, Regional Programme Manager, Adaptation and Resilience Building, ICIMOD</p> <p>Enhancing Women’s Adaptive Capacity (10 min) Ms Dibya Devi Gurung, Program Director, Gender and Social Inclusion Development, Knowledge Management and Innovation Services Private Limited, Core Associate; Women Organising for Change in Agriculture and Natural Resource Management</p> <p>Resilient Mountain Villages by (10 min) Dr Keshab Joshi, Programme Director, The Center for Environment and Agricultural Policy Research, Extension and Development (CEAPRED)</p> <p>Response from IPCC Dr Joy Jacqueline Pereira, Vice-Chair of Working Group II, IPCC, AR6 Prof Purnamita Dasgupta, Ford Foundation Chair and Head, Environmental Economics Unit, Institute of Economic Growth (IEG)</p> <p>Q&A Session (25 min)</p>
15:30 – 16:00	<p>Tea Break</p>
16:00 – 17:00	<p>Panel Discussion: Adaptation Practices in the HKH Region</p> <p>Chair: Dr Ram Prasad Lamsal, Joint Secretary, MoPE, Government of Nepal Co-Chair: Dr Eklabya Sharma, Deputy Director General, ICIMOD</p> <p>Panel Members (5 min each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Naresh Sharma, National Project Manager, MoPE, Government of Nepal - Mr Mohammed Tayib Bromond, Water Resources and Climate Change Adaptation Specialist, Ministry of Water and Energy, Government of Afghanistan - Dr Priyadarshi R. Shukla, Co-Chair of Working Group III, IPCC, AR6 - Dr Joy Jacqueline Pereira, Vice-Chair of Working Group II, IPCC, AR6 - Mr Nand Kishor Agrawal, Programme Coordinator-HICAP, ICIMOD - Dr Arabinda Mishra, Senior Social Scientist, ICIMOD <p>Q&A Session (30 min)</p> <p>Concluding Remarks by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Ram Prasad Lamsal, Joint Secretary, MoPE, Government of Nepal

Climate Change Implications to Businesses: Moving Together for Climate Actions

Background

Businesses play a key role in helping to realize the tremendous potential for sustainable economic growth and resilience in the HKH and in line with national sustainable development and climate resilience objectives. Climate change impacts business and business impacts climate: This relationship has been repeatedly addressed in the SDGs and the Paris Climate Agreement. These targets can only be reached with strong partnerships with and commitments from the private sector. This session brings together private companies, business federations, and development agencies to discuss means for building innovative partnerships to combat climate change.

Session Coordinator

[Ms Nina Peeva](#), Communication Officer, IPCC

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Rapporteur

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[Ms Acchyata Shrestha](#), Administrative Associate, ICIMOD

Programme Details

Time	Agenda
14:00 – 15:15	<p>Climate Change Implications to Businesses (15 min each)</p> <p>The private sector is an important development partner for achieving the targets outlined in the SDGs and the Paris Climate Agreement. However, effective means of engagement must be found. Innovative business solutions are critical for sustainable and resilient mountain development. There is increasing recognition of the need to build bridges between development actors and the private sector through effective partnerships. The overarching purpose of the session is to create a platform for sharing and dialogue on strengthening win-win partnerships.</p> <p>Chair: Mr Suraj Vaidya, President, South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation Chambers of Commerce and Industry</p> <p>Co-chair: Dr Rajan Kotru, Transboundary Landscapes, Regional Programme Manager, ICIMOD</p> <p>Climate Change and Business Partnerships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr Priyadarshi R. Shukla, Co-Chair of Working Group III, IPCC <p>Building Bridges with Businesses: ICIMOD's Perspective</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr Basanta Shrestha, Director of Strategic Cooperation, ICIMOD <p>Partnerships for Climate Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ms Shubha Sekhar, Director of CSR and Sustainability, India and South Asia, Coca Cola, India <p>Experience sharing by Private Sector on Climate Change (5 min each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr Suyesh Prajapati, Programme Director, Brick Kiln Initiative, Nepal- Mr Avishek Malla, Director of Engineering and Operations, SunFarmer, Nepal- Dr Pankaj Prasad Raturi, Head of Department- Medicinal and Aromatic Plant, Dabur Nepal Pvt. Ltd. <p>Q&A Session (20 min)</p>
15:15 – 15:45	Tea Break

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15:45 – 17:00

Panel Discussion**Moving Together for Climate Action: Multi-stakeholder Partnerships for Climate Action in the HKH**

This panel discussion aims to develop a consortium of multi-stakeholder partners that includes national businesses, development partners and relevant stakeholders for climate action in the region. It provides an opportunity among potential partners to exchange ideas on potential new forms of multi-stakeholder collaboration and ideas for mobilizing and sharing private sector knowledge, expertise, technology, and financial resources.

Chair: [Dr David Molden](#), Director General, ICIMOD

Co-Chair: [Ms Shubha Sekhar](#), Director CSR and Sustainability, India and South Asia, Coca Cola, India

Panel Members (5 min each)

- [Ms Ainsley Hemming](#), Head of Development Cooperation, Australian Embassy
- [Ms Nabina Shrestha](#), Private Sector, UN Global Compact
- [Mr Basanta Shrestha](#), Director of Strategic Cooperation, ICIMOD
- [Mr Phub Tshering](#), Secretary General, Bhutan Chambers of Commerce and Industries, Bhutan
- [Ms Merina Ranjit](#), Chief Operating Officer, Chaudhary Foundation, Nepal
- [Ms Zakia Haque](#), Managing Director, Creative Pathways, Bangladesh
- [Mr Tim Gocher](#), CEO, Dolma Impact Fund, Nepal

Response

- [Dr Shobhakar Dhakal](#), Associate Professor, Asian Institute of Technology and Coordinating Lead Author for the IPCC-AR5 (WGIII for the Chapter on Human Settlements, Infrastructure and Spatial Planning)

Q&A Session (30 min)

Concluding Session

Programme Details

Time	Agenda
17:00 – 17:30	<p data-bbox="344 373 730 406">Summary and Key Messages (10 min)</p> <ul data-bbox="389 406 1104 438" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="389 406 1104 438">- Mr Basanta Shrestha, Director of Strategic Cooperation, ICIMOD <p data-bbox="344 462 958 495">Certificate Distribution to Pre-Conference Youth Participants</p> <p data-bbox="344 511 584 544">Closing Remarks (5 min)</p> <ul data-bbox="389 544 1153 657" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="389 544 1023 576">- Dr Panmao Zhai, Co-Chair, Working Group I, IPCC, AR6<li data-bbox="389 576 1153 609">- Dr Joy Jacqueline Pereira, Vice-Chair of Working Group II, IPCC, AR6<li data-bbox="389 609 1120 641">- Dr Priyadarshi R. Shukla, Co-Chair of Working Group III IPCC, AR6 <p data-bbox="344 673 584 706">Closing Remarks (5 min)</p> <ul data-bbox="389 706 893 738" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="389 706 893 738">- Dr David Molden, Director General, ICIMOD <p data-bbox="344 763 584 795">Closing Remarks (5 min)</p> <ul data-bbox="389 795 1055 828" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="389 795 1055 828">- Dr Bishwa Nath Oli, Secretary, MoPE, Government of Nepal

Organisers



Ministry of Population and Environment (MoPE), Government of Nepal

www.mope.gov.np

The Government of Nepal created Ministry of Population and Environment (MoPE) in 2052 BS to address environmental issues such as conservation, pollution, and natural heritage conservation, and to fulfil regional and international commitments in these areas. MoPE is comprised of three smaller departments: the Department of Hydrology and Meteorology, the Department of Environment, and the Environment Protection Council.

ICIMOD

International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD)

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ICIMOD is a regional intergovernmental centre serving eight regional member countries (RMCs) of the Hindu Kush Himalaya (HKH) – Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, China, India, Myanmar, Nepal, and Pakistan. ICIMOD believes in a future where mountain people in the HKH region can experience enhanced livelihoods, equity and socio-environmental security; where they can adapt to diverse conditions of environment and climate change; where future generations can enjoy the benefits and opportunities made available by the region’s rich, diverse natural resources. ICIMOD foresees a future in which the HKH is valued, sustained and upheld as the water tower for more than a billion people, as a cultural and spiritual hub, as a home to numerous global biodiversity hotspots, and as a significant ecological buffer zone. ICIMOD aims to serve the region by generating knowledge and sharing information, and by fostering regional cooperation to find integrated and innovative solutions to critical mountain problems.

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Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)

www.ipcc.ch

The IPCC is the UN body for assessing the science related to climate change. The IPCC was set up in 1988 by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), and endorsed by the United Nations General Assembly. The IPCC was charged with providing policymakers with regular assessments on the scientific basis of climate change, its impacts and future risks, and options for adaptation and mitigation. The IPCC assesses thousands of scientific papers published each year to inform policy makers about what they do know and don't know about climate change.

Collaborating Partners



Himalayan Climate Initiative (HCI)

www.himalayanclimate.org

Himalayan Climate Initiative (HCI) is a Nepali youth-driving non-profit organization committed to Social Inclusion and Climate Resilience. It advocates Nepal to adopt a zero-carbon economic growth trajectory. Co-founded in 2011 by a group of eminent Nepali entrepreneurs, HCI delivers impact by incubating, supporting, and sustaining social-entrepreneurial initiatives. HCI prides itself in finding and developing dozens of youth leaders, earning support from numerous corporate and civil society partners, and having developed strategic connections with multiple government institutions of Nepal. HCI operates the Center for Social Innovation and Business Incubation in Kathmandu and Nepalgunj. Through the Centre, HCI has rolled out twelve socially-minded start-ups aligned to its three-pronged strategy. HCI works to fulfil its vision of placing the Nepali economy on a path to sustainable development by promoting sustainable solutions to address social and environmental challenges in economically feasible ways.



Climate Alliance of Himalayan Communities (CAHC)

www.cahc.org.np

The Climate Alliance of Himalayan Communities (CAHC), led by Ang Tshering Sherpa, is an alliance of community leaders from Nepal's Himalaya. CAHC provides a network for civil society members from all Himalayan districts. CAHC is registered as non-governmental organization with Government of Nepal and HCI serves as its lead partner to implement its activities. CAHC aims to create a sense of urgency to act locally in response to climate change. CAHC provides financial support and, more importantly, offers human resource and technological support to local Himalayan communities.



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