

LPAA Focus on Resilience

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Recent climate changes have had widespread impacts on humanity and ecosystems. A transformative adaptation agenda with real innovative actions is needed to accelerate action on key issues such as water resources, food security, natural disasters and oceans.

Highlighted in the *Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030*, coping with hazardous events also requires systematic strategies such as: ensuring the emergence of coherent action plans in vulnerable regions, strengthening early warning systems and insurance availability in vulnerable areas, mainstreaming resilience in all economic and financial activities.

This focus will highlight the wide mobilization of national and local governments, international organizations, development banks, private sectors, civil society and demonstrate political will of decision makers to address resilience.

PART I: Welcoming

Master of Ceremony for welcoming session Fred Boltz, Managing Director for Rockefeller Foundation

10:15 – 10:40 Opening remarks

Welcome by France and Peru,

- **Ségolène Royal**, Minister of Environment, France
- **Manuel Pulgar-Vidal**, Minister of Environment, Peru

PART II: Taking action on water resilience

Master of Ceremony for water section: Karin Lexen, Director, World Water Week, International processes and Prizes, SIWI

10:40–10:50 Setting the scene on Water Resilience

Key messages on water resilience and the importance of integrated water resources management in a context of climate change

- **Junaid K Ahmad**, Senior Director Water, World Bank Group

Session I Enhancing Resilience on River basins, aquifers, deltas and lakes

10:50 – 11:40 The Paris Pact on Water and Adaptation to Climate Change in the Basins of Rivers, Lakes and Aquifers

Moderated by Mr. Jean-Francois Donzier (INBO), this session will highlight the broad based mobilization around integrated resource management. Organized in two panels, it will address the key role of stakeholders on water adaptation planning and commitments to strengthen hydrometric systems and leverage funding for water resilience projects.

- **Du Guozhi**, Director, Ministry of Water Resources, China
- **Roberto Ramírez de la Parra**, Director General, National Water Commission, CONAGUA, Mexico
- **Kabiné Komara**, High Commissioner of the international basin organization of the Senegal river –OMVS, former Prime Minister of Guinea
- **Charafat Afailal**, Minister in charge of water, Morocco
- **Marta Moren-Abat**, Directorate General for the Environment, European Commission *
- **Christine A. Gbedji Vyaho**, Minister of Water, Benin
- **Christian Friis Bach**, Executive Secretary & Under-Secretary-General, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
- **Shekhar Shri Shashi**, Secretary, Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, India
- **Simon Sakibede**, Secretary General, International Commission of Congo-Oubangui-Sangha – CICOS
- **Lupercio Ziroldo Antonio**, World president, International Network of Basin Organizations, INBO

11:40 – 11:50 Increasing resilience at deltas

The Delta Coalition sets out as an ambitious country-driven coalition to address the unique set of challenges deltas are faced with, being among the most delicate and vulnerable ecosystems to climate change.

- **Liliane Ploumen**, Minister for Trade and Development, The Netherlands
- **Gabriel Vallejo Lopez**, Minister of Environment, Colombia

Session II The role of different stakeholders in the water and climate agenda

This session will show the importance of bringing together all relevant actors working to enhance water resilience and how they are/will be committing at different levels to collaboratively increase water security.

11:55 – 12:15 Increasing resilience at urban level

This session will highlight concrete commitments on adaptation and integrated water management in megacities and other urban areas.

- **Irina Bokova**, Director General, UNESCO *
- **Eugene Wamalwa**, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry Water and Irrigation, Kenya *
- **Hassan Ali Joho**, Governor, Mombasa County *
- **Anne Paugam**, Director General, AFD
- Secretary **Rogelio Singson**, Ministry of Public Work, Philippines *

12:15 – 12:30 Private sector acting on water resilience

This session will address the role of the private sector in enhancing freshwater resilience and see the launch of a Business Alliance for Water and climate change.

- **Linda Freiner**, Flood Resilience Program Manager, Zurich IG
- **Cate Lamb**, Head of Water Program, CDP

- **Peter Bakker**, CEO, World Business Council for Sustainable Development
- **Jean-Louis Chaussade**, CEO, SUEZ Environment *

12:30 – 12:45 The role of civil society: towards a collaborative water agenda

NGOs will present their commitments to enhance resilience in the water sector through promoting active participation, helping to implement development policies and raising awareness.

- **Rolando Marin**, President, CLOCSAS –LAC
- **Benedito Braga**, President, the World Water Council
- **Asma Bachikh**, President, the World Youth Parliament for Water

12:45 – 12:55 Towards an accelerated action agenda on water and climate change

- **Laura Tuck**, Senior VP for Sustainable Development, The World Bank
- **Brice Lalonde**, French Water Partnership

PART III : Increasing the resilience of Oceans to climate change

This session will highlight the dynamics and concrete commitments of civil society stakeholders raising the issue of oceans as a solution for climate change.

*Moderator: **Blake, BBC***

13:15 – 13:25: What is at stake?

This opening statement will address the scientific links between ocean and climate.

- Speaker TBC

13:25 – 14:25 The world is taking action: towards ocean resilience

This session will involve different actors and tools to enhance ocean resilience in a context of climate change. Commitments and initiatives on commercial shipping new technologies, marine protected areas and coastal risk management adaptation will be presented.

1. Commercial shipping supports mitigation
 - CMA-CGM Group, Norwegian shipping companies*
2. Marine protected areas as a resilience tool
 - (TBC)
3. Coastal risk management and adaptation
 - Coastal risks in the Gulf of Guinea (Benin, Togo, Cape Verde) by the World Bank*
 - Mangrove forests development and management – Senegal *
 - World experiences in coral reef restoration
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14:25 – 14:40 Foster action beyond COP21: scientific research as a basis

Science is committed to identifying Ocean solutions for adaptation and mitigation

- (TBC)

PART IV : Understanding and Addressing the Urgency on Resilience

Master of Ceremony for the entire afternoon session: Fred Boltz, Managing Director, Rockefeller Foundation

15:15 – 15:20 Opening remarks

- **Mary Robinson**, Former President of Ireland, UN Special Envoy for Climate Change

15:20 – 15:30 Presentation of the video “Voices of Resilience”

15:30 –16:00 Needs, actions and strategies from vulnerable regions and actors

This session will focus on how vulnerable actors are currently undertaking country-driven strategies to cope with climate change and their specific needs.

Moderator: Maarten van Aalst, Red Cross

- **James Fletcher**, Minister of the Sustainable Development, Energy, Science and Technology, Saint Lucia
- Tony deBrum, Minister in Assistance to the President, Republic of Marshall Islands *
- **Khalid Fahmy**, Minister of Environment, Egypt
- **Naoko Ishii**, CEO & Chairperson, GEF
- **Netatua Pelesikoti**, Director of Climate Change, SPREP

Part V: Strengthening capacities for resilience

This session will examine fundamental capacities critical to resilience (anticipating, absorbing and reshaping) and the needs to accelerate action, including knowledge exchange, capacity building and development of new tools for resilience.

Moderator: Rowan Douglas, Willis Group

16:00 – 16:05 Global Poll of Resilience Needs

- **Mathias Antonnson**, Head of Partnerships, Ushahidi

16:05 – 16:40 Fundamental capacities and capacity building on resilience

- **Ibrahim Thiaw**, Deputy Executive Director, UNEP
- **Elhadj As Sy**, Director, Red Cross Red Crescent
- **Henri de Castries**, CEO, The AXA Group *
- **Lars Thunell**, Chairman of the Board of Directors, African Risk Capacity
- **Sam Bickersteth**, CEO, CDKN

Part VI: Major Cooperative Initiatives accelerating resilience

This session will showcase major initiatives that are addressing resilience through warning systems, financial mechanisms, and empowering and restoring systems on vulnerable hotspots.

16:40 – 17:40 Presentation of major initiatives

The Great Green Wall Initiative

- **Makhatar Diop**, Vice President for Africa, The World Bank *
- **Amadi Camara**, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development, Mauritania *

The Global Resilience Partnership -

- **Luca Alinovi**, Executive Director, Global Resilience Partnership

CREWS initiative

- **Annick Girardin**, Minister of State for Development and Francophony, France

G7 InsuResilience

- **Ingrid-Gabriela Hoven**, Director General, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany

PART VII: Accelerating action to strengthen resilience capacity

This session will see the presentation of the United Nations Initiative to enhance action and cooperation for resilience to climate change.

17:40 – 17:45 Presentation of the A2R

- **Janos Pasztor**, Assistant Secretary-General on Climate Change, UN CCST

17:45 – 18:20 Accelerating support across sectors

Mr. **Janos Pasztor** (UN CCST) will invite some partners to come to stage to express support and explain their role:

Representing the UN agencies cooperative announcement:

- **José Graziano da Silva**, Director General, FAO
- **Ibrahim Thiaw**, Deputy Executive Director, UNEP
- **Ertharin Cousin**, Executive Director, World Food Programme

Government: Representing the Partners for Resilience:

- **Michel Rentenaar**, Climate Envoy, Netherlands
- **Maarten van Aalst**, Director, Red Cross

Representing the Insurance sector:

- Representative of Insurance Development Framework *

Representing the Finance sector:

- **Leon Wijnands**, Head of Sustainability, ING Bank
- **Jay Koh**, Managing Director and Partner, Siguler Guff *

Representing the Academic Institution:

- **Professor Thomas Malone**, MIT University *

Representing the Civil society:

- **Muhtari Aminu-Kano**, Senior Policy Advisor, Islamic Relief World Wide

18:20 – 18:30: Closing of the Resilience Focus: What does success look like?

- **Margareta Wahlstrom**, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction