

Mainstreaming CC, E & DRR - How to walk the talk?

Integrating climate change, environmental degradation and disaster risk reduction into development cooperation

Joint Swiss thematic event of the Climate Change and Environment (CC&E) & Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) networks of SDC

12th September 2017, University of Fribourg, Fribourg

Avenue de l'Europe 20, Auditoire MIS03 - 3115

How to find your way to University of Fribourg: http://www.unifr.ch/map/de/misericorde.php

Programme

The event will be jointly moderated by Daniel Maselli (Climate Change & Environment Network Focal Point) and Nadia Benani (Disaster Risk Reduction Network Focal Point)

- 08.30 Meet, greet and talk/registration
- 09.00 Opening & welcoming remarks by Philippe Besson, Head of Multilateral Affairs Humanitarian Aid, SDC
- 09.30 Session 1: Actors' perspective on mainstreaming CC, E & DRR
- 09.30 Risk proofing in the Western Balkans: Empowering People to Prevent Disasters by Irina Kulenovic, Office of the UN Resident Coordinator in Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 10.15 Mainstreaming in different institutions: Break-out groups (including coffee break in the groups)

Group 1: The SME perspective: Assessing climate risks in market systems, hands-on experience from Nepal by **Nicole Clot**, Helvetas

Group 2: Mainstreaming in your own institution: challenges and opportunities, case of mainstreaming DRR in SDC East Asia by **Alain Pasche**, SDC

Group 3: Mainstreaming in small municipalities, cases from Bolivia by Sergio Pérez, SDC

Group 4: Mainstreaming at state level. Integrating climate change adaptation into Swiss sectoral strategies by **Thomas Probst**, Federal Office for the Environment (FOEN)

11.30 Session 2: How to avoid mainstreaming fatigue: fishbowl-roundtable

Guests: Alain Pasche, SDC; Anton Jöhr, Swiss Red Cross; Roland Hohmann, Federal Office for the Environment (FOEN)

12.30 Lunch



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14.00 Session 3: Mainstreaming in a sectoral perspective

- 14.00 Efficient water management contributing to food security and good governance by **Ali Jawad**, Helvetas Pakistan
- 14.45 Mainstreaming in key sectors: Break-out groups

Group 1: Health/WASH. Input by Anton Jöhr, Swiss Red Cross

Group 2: Urban Planning. Input by Alex Angermaier, Caritas

Group 3: Education. Input by Sabina Handschin, SDC

Group 4: Energy/Water. Inputs by Marco Cortesi, Alpiq and Holger Frey, University of Zurich

- 16.00 Surprise
- 16.30 Final remarks by Yuka Greiler, Head Global Programme Climate Change and Environment, SDC
- 16.45 Apéro



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Background

Rationale

For a number of years now, different development cooperation actors have been struggling on how to best integrate climate change, environmental issues and disaster risk reduction into their planning and operations. As a result, many mainstreaming toolkits, guidelines and manuals have been developed by various agencies - including from SDC. But what are the results and impacts of all these so-called 'mainstreaming' efforts? What is required to make sure that the term 'mainstreaming' doesn't remain just a buzzword? The event wants to shed light into such challenging questions and explore possible answers or pathways to better 'walk the talk'.

What to expect

The event will provide a critical and multi-faceted review of mainstreaming experiences from around the world including good practices and failures. It will consist of inspiring presentations, interactive sessions and provide opportunities to connect and exchange.

Target audience

The primary target audience are the Swiss based members of the two thematic networks of SDC tackling climate change, environment and disasters. The event is oriented towards a variety of partners related to development cooperation comprising practitioners of different origin, NGOs, private sector representatives, and academics.

Organizers

The two thematic networks of SDC 'Climate Change & Environment' (contact: <u>daniel.maselli@eda.admin.ch</u>) and 'Disaster Risk Reduction' (contact: <u>nadia.benani@eda.admin.ch</u>) are the initiators of this event. They are supported by INFRAS in organizing the event.



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