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Welcome to the platform that gives you up-to-date information in the field of climate change adaptation (CCA). This monthly newsletter is brought to you by the Asia Pacific Adaptation Network (APAN) – a program that merges the Regional Climate Change Adaptation Knowledge Platform for Asia (AKP) established in 2008 and the Asia Pacific Adaptation Network (APAN) launched in 2009.

We will be happy to spotlight your CCA activities, announcements, events and new initiatives. All you have to do is send a brief write-up and URL to [info@asiapacificadapt.net](mailto:info@asiapacificadapt.net)

## ANNOUNCEMENT

### 6th International Workshop on Remote Sensing and Environmental Innovations, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, June 10-11 2013



APAN is co-organising the workshop with the NUM-ITC-UNESCO Remote Sensing and Space Science Laboratory of the National University of Mongolia which is the local organizer of the workshop. The workshop will focus on various aspects of environmental problems and provide an opportunity for participants to discuss about responding effectively to the regional environmental changes, while strengthening international cooperation and the advanced use of Remote Sensing technology. The workshop aims to foster greater cooperation on the global level on areas related to earth observation and environmental innovation and also encourage efficient scientific exchange and collaboration. For more information, please visit

<http://spe.num.edu.mn/6th-rsconf/index.html>

## CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION NEWS

### Pioneering LAPAs as a community-led solution to climate change challenges in Pakistan

The Leadership for Environment and Development (LEAD) Pakistan has developed two local adaptation plans of action (LAPAs) for two districts in Pakistan – Muzaffargarh and Thatta – under its Climate Leadership for Effective Adaptation and Resilience (CLEAR) project. This aims to facilitate poor and vulnerable communities in adapting to adverse impacts of climate change in the country. In the process of the development of LAPAs, innovative bottom-up approaches for policy engagement and community planning have also been established.



For detailed information about the LAPA development workshops in Muzaffargarh and Thatta, please visit

<http://www.lead.org.pk/attachments/updates/297.pdf>

and

<http://www.lead.org.pk/attachments/updates/296.pdf>

## Child Centered Climate Change Adaptation

The Plan International has developed a set of knowledge products, newsletter and videos that feature various issues related children and climate change adaptation. Please click the links below for detailed information.



Climate extreme and child rights in South Asia: A neglected priority:

<http://www.odi.org.uk/sites/odi.org.uk/files/odi-assets/publications-opinion-files/7832.pdf>



Childhood vulnerability to climate change in marginalised Vietnamese communities: the case for participation:

<http://www.odi.org.uk/publications/6881-childhood-vulnerability-climate-change-marginalised-vietnam-participation>



Child Centered Climate Change Adaptation Program – Pacific Newsletter:

<https://docs.google.com/file/d/0BzY-26NKqZyeVFWeG-FJcW1hejA/edit?pli=1>



Video documentary on climate change made by children in Indonesia:

<http://youtu.be/CjJzKxfB2DI>



Video documentary on climate change made by children in Vietnam (video 1):

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k1W2cclgBl8>



Video documentary on climate change made by children in Vietnam (video 2):

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FgkqsUXy2Hk>

## UPCOMING CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION EVENTS

### One Day-Appreciation Course on Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation, Los Baños, Philippines, June 18 2013

The Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA) will hold a course for the director and staff of the Philippines Department of Agriculture's Mindanao Rural Development Program. The course aims to provide an appreciation of the core concepts and available knowledge-based methods and tools to effectively respond to the threats of climate change on

agricultural and natural resources management. This is preparatory to the study tour that participants will take in Albay Province, Bicol, Philippines where they will visit climate change adaptation and mitigation projects implemented by the Local Government Unit. For more information, please contact Dr. Maria Celeste H. Cadiz (mchc@agri.searca.org) and Ms. Rosario B. Bantayan (rbb@agri.searca.org).

## CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION INFORMATION RESOURCES AND KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTS

### REPORTS

#### A survey of over 100 companies reveals that very few companies in Australia give climate change much attention



The study warns that businesses might find their activities can no longer be insured as the costs of insurance are going up due to increasing payouts to climate-related events. The study also highlights the legal imperative that should drive businesses to identify their climate-related risk and ensure that such risk

forms an integral part of their environmental risk management process. For more information, please visit

<http://www.dlapiper.com/files/Publication/f3b-1c2a2-70fa-4e18-a2c0-dc1c2218488c/Presentation/PublicationAttachment/1c5c87dc-e406-4077-bbf1-e8efbf6388f7/climate-change-adaptation-in-the-boardroom.pdf>

#### Learning From Typhoon Mirinae: Urbanization and Climate Change in Quy Nhon City, Vietnam



This report assesses the damage caused by Typhoon Mirinae in Vietnam, which killed 122 people and caused \$280 million in damage

to property. It also analyses local response capacities and their relevance in Vietnam today. For more information, please visit

[http://accrn.org/sites/default/files/documents/ISET\\_LearningFromTyphoonMirinae\\_Final\\_130419.pdf](http://accrn.org/sites/default/files/documents/ISET_LearningFromTyphoonMirinae_Final_130419.pdf)

or watch the video of the author speaking at 7th community-based adaptation to climate change conference

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RIgXq3eytJE>

## PUBLICATIONS

### Flood Risk Management: A Strategic Approach



This book results from an international collaborative effort to explore and distil best practice approaches to flood risk management in challenging large scale and inter-related environments. The book is one in a series of six books, which together consider three

fundamental water resources management issues: river basin planning, basin water allocation and strategic flood risk management. For more information, please visit <http://www.adb.org/publications/flood-risk-management-strategic-approach?ref=themes/climate-change/publications>

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### Basin Water Allocation Planning: Principles, Procedures and Approaches for Basin Allocation Planning



Concerns over climate change, with projected changes to water availability, variability and the frequency of extreme events, have contributed to concerns over the need to develop more flexible allocation practices and the capacity to better respond to scarcity of supply. This book considers modern approaches to dealing with such issues at the basin scale, particularly through the allocation of water among administrative regions. For more information, please visit <http://www.adb.org/publications/basin-water-allocation-planning?ref=themes/climate-change/publications>

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### New JCCI Publications Available



Together with the Plan, the World Vision and the Caritas Cambodia, the Joint Climate Change Initiative (JCCI) has developed “A Guide to Climate Change

Responses – A Learning Manual for Cambodian Organizations and Institutions” (Khmer and English) and a “Good Practice Booklet” (English, soon in Khmer) consolidating learning from the JCCI and partners. All materials are available upon request. For more information, please visit [www.jcci-cambodia.org](http://www.jcci-cambodia.org) or contact the JCCI Advocacy Officer, Mr. Polin Nop (nopo@dca.dk).

## REFERENCE MATERIALS

### Briefing Paper: Climate Investment Funds: understanding the PPCR in Bangladesh and Nepal



The Pilot Programme for Climate Resilience (PPCR) operates in nine countries and two regions, aiming to support them to prepare and implement climate resilience programmes that are long term and integrated into wider poverty reduction and development planning. This briefing paper shares early

insights gained from the experiences of two pilot countries — Bangladesh and Nepal — that help to inform the on-going PPCR implementation process and also provides early guidance on issues that may arise in delivering transformative programmes. For more information, please visit <http://pubs.iied.org/17151IIED>

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## VIDEOS

**Interviews with participants at Asia Pacific Adaptation Forum 2013 on urban resilience issues**

The Asian Cities Climate Change Resilience Network (ACCCRN) raised four key questions related to urban resilience issues in Asia to experts at the Asia Pacific Adaptation Forum 2013 held in March in Incheon, Korea. To watch a video on each question, please visit the following links.



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N2-fAgUqEvQ>: How is Asian urban climate change resilience unique?



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tKFJjklKQxw>: What is your process for engaging urban stakeholders in resilience projects?



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gsn1f3CGTuU>: How is urban climate change resilience planning different from other resilience efforts?



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XHDRQm4UFEo>: What are some of governance challenges associated with urban resilience project?

## OPPORTUNITIES

### International Training Course on Building Resilient Communities: Community-Managed Disaster Risk Reduction (CMDRR), Kathmandu, Nepal, 16-25 June 2013

The International Institute of Rural Reconstruction (IIRR) and the Rural Reconstruction Nepal (RRN) are jointly organising a course with a view to improve participants' understanding on the concept, process and approach to CMDRR, as well as the principles and techniques in conducting participatory disaster risk assessments and translating the assessment results into disaster risk reduction plans. The training will also enable participants to mobilize communities and influence policies supportive of CMDRR, as well as to develop an action plan for implementation. For more information, please write to Seema Luitel (seema@rrn.org.np) or Charles Pradhan (charles@rrn.org.np).

### Best Climate Practices Call for proposals 2013: "Climate Change and Urban Resilience. How to prepare our cities to respond to climate changes related challenges"



The International Center for Climate Governance (ICCG) invites you to submit innovative proposals focusing on urban resilience to climate changes.

Accepted proposals consist of best practices related to urban resilience which are research results among existing practices or brand new ideas. All the eligible practices have to be designed in the period between January 2011 and December 2012. The application deadline is 21 June 2013. For more information, please visit

<http://www.bestclimatepractices.org/page.aspx?Name=Awards>

### Training-Workshop on Iterative Risk Management for Climate Change Adaptation, Bangkok, Thailand, 19-23 August 2013



The Regional Integrated Multi-Hazard Early Warning System for Africa and Asia (RIMES) is organizing a workshop with an aim to build the

capacity of participants to design and implement iterative risk management plans and establish ways to ensure continuous re-evaluation of the plans. It will also enhance their understanding on the iterative risk management process under uncertainties inherent in climate-related risks. For more information, please visit

<http://www.rimes.int/em/?p=1159>

### TEI seeks for a professional evaluator for its projects

The Thailand Environment Institute (TEI) is seeking an evaluator to engage in undertaking the mid-term review of the Swedish International Development Cooperation (Sida) funded projects on Climate Change Adaptation in Greater Mekong and on Environmental Governance and Principle 10 (Rio Declaration) (P10). The term of reference and other information are available at <http://www.tei.or.th/contact/jobs.html>. For more information, please email to Dr. Chuthatip Maneepong, TEI Program Manager (chuthatip@tei.or.th).



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