

Core Organizers

The *Adaptation Forum* is organized by the **Regional Climate Change Adaptation Knowledge Platform for Asia** (*Adaptation Knowledge Platform*) and the **Asia Pacific Adaptation Network** (*Adaptation Network*).

The **Adaptation Knowledge Platform** is a response to the demand for effective mechanisms for sharing information on climate change adaptation and developing adaptive capacities in Asian countries. The initiative supports research and capacity building, policy making and information assimilation, generation, management and sharing. It will also facilitate climate change adaptation at local, national and regional levels – while working with existing and emerging networks and initiatives. The Adaptation Knowledge Platform has been jointly established by the Asian Institute of Technology/United Nations Environment Programme Regional Resource Centre for Asia and the Pacific (AIT/UNEP RRC.AP) the Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI), the Swedish Environmental Secretariat for Asia (SENSA) and UNEP with funding support from the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA).

The Adaptation Network, part of the Global Adaptation Network, aims to build climate resilience of vulnerable human systems, ecosystems and economies through the mobilization of knowledge and technologies to support adaptation capacity building, policy-setting, planning and practices. The Adaptation Network activities will be undertaken by its regional hub, sub-regional nodes and partner institutions in the Asia Pacific region. The Adaptation Network is facilitated by UNEP, Institute for Global Environment Strategies (IGES), AIT/UNEP RRC.AP, Asian Development Bank (ADB) in partnership with other key actors in the region.

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The Asia-Pacific Climate Change Adaptation Forum (*Adaptation Forum*) will provide opportunity to share practices, knowledge and experiences on mainstreaming adaptation to climate change into development planning in Asia and the Pacific.

The event presents a venue through which tools and mechanisms that support the process of adapting to climate change and current findings from frontline development and adaptation challenges can be showcased.

The participatory format of the *Adaptation Forum* will include plenary and keynote sessions, panel discussions, business roundtables, thematic side events, market place, photo & poster exhibitions and film festival. The sessions will be facilitated by eminent climate scientists, adaptation experts and development planners from the region.

The *Adaptation Forum* will:

- Stimulate regional knowledge sharing and facilitate networking among participants to maximize synergy;
- Add value to existing country/regional level knowledge platforms and activities to enhance and support cooperation and coordination;
- Link local level adaptation initiatives with those at national and regional level.

The Target Group

The *Adaptation Forum* aims at gathering 200-300 adaptation practitioners at regional, national, and sub-national level. These could include government representatives from various line ministries, researchers, practitioners, NGOs, international organization, regional intergovernmental bodies, media and the private sector.

Partnership

The *Adaptation Forum* is currently seeking collaboration with partners to help organize and run various parallel thematic sessions. Partners interested in supporting and co-organizing the *Adaptation Forum* are invited to contact us.