

# APAN Newsletter

Empowering adaptation practitioners with  
knowledge toward a climate-resilient  
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## NEWS

### WEBINAR

**Connecting the Dots:  
Climate change and  
biodiversity interlinkages  
in Asia-Pacific, from science  
to policy and practice**

Date: 22 September 2022  
Time: 2:00-3:30 PM (ICT)  
Format: Online on ZOOM



### Main story: APAN strengthens conservationists' and adaptation practitioners' understanding of biodiversity and climate change nexus

Breaking climate change and biodiversity siloes, the Asia Pacific Adaptation Network (APAN) held the webinar, **“Connecting the dots: climate change and biodiversity interlinkages in Asia-Pacific, from science to policy and practice,”** on 22 September 2022. The webinar was attended by more than 250 participants from the NGO sector, academia, government and research, etc.

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### Global: 10 key takeaways from COP27 on nature's critical role

Have a read! Taking cues from the recent COP27 in Egypt, WeForum captured 10 key takeaways on how the discussions highlight nature's critical role in tackling climate change.

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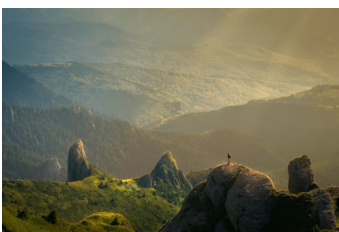


### Global: COP27 ends with announcement of historic loss and damage fund

**“This outcome moves us forward,”** - Simon Stiell, UN Climate Change Executive Secretary.

Loss and damage received recognition from states with a breakthrough agreement to provide “loss and damage” funding for vulnerable countries hit hard by climate disasters.

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### Global: The survival of our planet is at stake at COP15

COP15 outlines the intricate synergies and interlinkages of biodiversity and climate change. Read this article and learn how support for biodiversity conservation redounds to achieving climate targets.

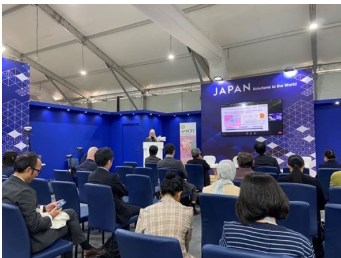
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### Opinion-Editorial: Ramp up investment to support Asia-Pacific women to overcome climate disasters

The disastrous floods in Pakistan washed ashore new insights on how climate change impacts genders in different ways. Disasters brought by climate change put more weight on women's ability to take care of their families because of social and gender norms. These demands increase during and after climate calamities. Women also face more barriers in accessing information and resources to prepare for, respond to and recover from disasters.

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### Adaptation planning: Report from the AP-PLAT seminar at COP27

Held in a hybrid format at COP 27, the AP-PLAT discussed National Adaptation Plans (NAPs) and Global Goal on Adaptation (GGA) in the Asia-Pacific during a side-event at the Japan Pavillion.

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### Agriculture, food security and climate change: Asia-Pacific countries urged to rapidly transform agrifood systems as hopes fade for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030

At a symposium convened by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) on agri-food systems transformation in Asia-Pacific. Governments, the private sector and other stakeholders were urged to massively accelerate the transformation of their agri-food systems, or risk worsening malnutrition and environmental degradation in the world's most populous region.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS



8<sup>TH</sup> ASIA-PACIFIC  
**CLIMATE CHANGE  
 ADAPTATION FORUM**

Songdo Convensia Convention Center  
 Incheon, Republic of Korea

*This event will be part of the  
 Korea Global Adaptation Week (KGAW) 2023*  
 Monday, 28 August - Friday, 1 September 2023

KGAW 2023 will be hosted by:  In collaboration with: 

**HAPPENING IN THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA!  
8th ASIA-PACIFIC CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION FORUM**

The 8th Asia-Pacific Climate Change Adaptation Forum (APAN Forum) will be held at the Songdo Convensia Convention Center in Incheon City, the Republic of Korea during the week from 28 August to 1 September 2023.

Considered Asia-Pacific's largest and longest-standing gathering of adaptation practitioners to share information, knowledge and best practices in adaptation and resilience-building, the APAN Forum is the biennial flagship event of the Asia Pacific Adaptation Network Secretariat, hosted within the UNEP Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific.

**Interested about the Forum? More information soon.**

We will be posting announcements and updates on our social media accounts and website. For now, please mark your calendar.

### **UN Biodiversity Conference (COP 15)**

Date: 7 - 19 December 2022 | Venue: Montreal, Canada

### **UN 2023 Water Conference**

Date: 22-24 January 2023 | Venue: New York, USA

### **ASEAN HERITAGE: Cultural Wisdom for Climate Action**

Date: 12 - 14 January 2023 | Venue: The Siam Society Under Royal Patronage, Thailand

### **International Conference on Climate Change**

Date: 22 - 23 January 2023 | Venue: Baiyoke Boutique, Bangkok, Thailand

### **The 7th International Conference on Climate Change 2023**

Date: 9-10 February 2023 | Venue: Taj Samudra, Colombo, Sri Lanka

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#### **Asia Pacific Adaptation Network (APAN)**

The [Asia Pacific Adaptation Network \(APAN\)](#) serves as a knowledge platform to equip adaptation practitioners in the region with the information, knowledge, and tools to design, implement and monitor climate change adaptation measures, foster access to technologies and finance, and build capacity for Integrating climate change adaptation into national development policies, strategies and plans.

With support from the Ministry of Environment of the Government of Japan, APAN was developed and launched by the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) in 2009 under the [Global Adaptation Network \(GAN\)](#). APAN has established close partnerships with key organizations and has become an important adaptation knowledge mobilizer in Asia and the Pacific Region.



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