

Title: Making Adaptation Finance Count in Africa: applying good adaptation principles and practices

When: Friday, December 4th,
10:00 - 11:30

Where: Salle 2, Africa Pavilion

Host: Adaptation Learning Programme for Africa (ALP)

Abstract

This side event will open a discussion on how good adaptation practice and principles can be taken up by national decision makers for adaptation finance in Africa. It will demonstrate the cost effectiveness of community-based adaptation in enabling people most vulnerable to climate change impacts in sub Saharan Africa to adapt, and explore how this can be taken to scale. The opening presentation will discuss adaptation finance dilemmas with respect to what to fund. Examples from the Adaptation Learning Programme for Africa (ALP) will demonstrate successes and how to implement adaptation processes in practice. Examples from Kenya's Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources will provide insights into the links between policy, national adaptation plans and adaptation finance. Panelists will draw on experiences from the Adaptation Fund in Kenya, social and gender issues in Ghana, climate information services and the need for capacity building. The Joint Principles for Adaptation will be introduced. Plenary discussions with participants will focus on two questions: agreeing on criteria for good practice to support adaptation finance decisions and how to take good practices to scale.

Confirmed Speakers and Panelists:

1. Omar Tankari, Advocacy Advisor, Adaptation Learning Programme (ALP) Niger, CARE International
2. Stephen M. King'uyu, Coordinator Kenya Climate Change Action Plan, Climate Change Secretariat, Ministry of Environment & Natural Resources, Kenya
3. Wangare Kirumba, Coordinator Adaptation Fund Kenya, National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) Kenya
4. Emma Bowa, Adaptation Learning Programme (ALP), CARE Kenya
5. Nafisatu Yussif, Advocacy and Networking Coordinator, ABANTU for Development, Ghana
6. Samwel Marigi, Senior Assistant Director Climate and Environment, Kenya Meteorological Department, Kenya (TBD)