

9:00 - 10:00

NBS FOR ADAPTATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE

The goal of this event is to provide a space for the exchange of experiences, offering information on advances and lessons learned that promote cooperation between peers and the strategic and sustainable implementation of nature-based solutions (NbS).

MODERATOR

Elsa Velasco - Fundación Internacional para Iberoamérica de Administración y Políticas Públicas

SPEAKERS

- Nora Páez Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development of Paraguay
- Miguel Ángel Zerón Cid Secretariat of Environment and Natural Resources of Mexico
- Maribel Pinto Ministry of Environment of Panama
- Luis Alberto Guerra Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development of Colombia

11:00 - 12:30

MEGA MARINE PROTECTED AREAS AS A STRATEGY TO COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE AND PROMOTE THE SUSTAINABLE USE OF RESOURCES

In this event, it is expected to analyze the work of establishing Mega Marine Protected Areas and the benefits that the work between networks of Marine Protected Areas has been generating for the ecosystems and communities that depend on them.

MODERATOR

José Julio Casas - Ministerio de Ambiente de Panamá

SPEAKERS

- Mario Gómez Fundación Betadiversidad
- Puri Canals Proyecto Ocean Governance
- Max Bello Mission Blu

13:00 - 14:30 CHANGES IN NATURAL PATTERNS OF MARINE ORGANISMS DUE TO THE EFFECT OF CLIMATE CHANGE

The changing conditions of the ocean worldwide are triggering variations in the characteristics of marine and coastal ecosystems that put the natural balance of coastal species and communities at risk. Different international scientists will present how these changes are occurring and how they are affecting the natural patterns of different organisms and the consequences that this produces on the different actors in the coastal marine zone.

MODERATOR Daniel Suman

- Sonia Español Fundación MERI
- Patricia Zurita Conservación Internacional





EXPANDING THE AMBITION OF NATIONALLY DETERMINED CONTRIBUTIONS (NDC) AT COP 28

The event 'Raising the Ambition of Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)' provides a unique platform to delve into the relevance and challenges related to increasing the ambition of Nationally Determined Contributions in the fight against climate change. Recognizing the crucial importance of this topic on the global stage, the event will bring together leading experts and leaders in the field of climate change to discuss effective strategies and practical solutions that enable elevating ambition in NDCs.

MODERATOR

PNUD

SPEAKERS

- Ligia Castro Ministry of Environment of Panama
- Natalie Pareja Ministry of Environment of Uruguay
- Jenny Mager Ministry of Environment of Chile
- Alan Ramírez Consejo Nacional para el Cambio Climático de República Dominicana

16:00 - 17:30

NATURE BASED SOLUTIONS

Faced with the challenges of climate change, society needs to adapt. Coastal cities like Panama and Miami are exceptionally vulnerable to climate change, particularly due to their coastal relationship. Nature-based Solutions (also known as "green infrastructure") offer another option for coastal protection and erosion caused by sea level rise. These incorporate natural elements in protection, producing some ecosystem benefits along with their protective function of the coast.

MODERATOR

Daniel Suman

- Daniel Suman Faculty of Marine Sciences, University of Miami
- Jessica Owley Faculty of Law, University of Miami
- Vanessa Forbes Pateman PhD Candidate in Political and Environmental Sciences



9:30 - 11:00

ADVANCES IN ADAPTATION AND ITS LINK WITH GLOBAL GOALS

An analysis of the global adaptation goal is essential to guarantee effective adaptation to climate change in Latin America and the Caribbean. Only through effective regional cooperation and the implementation of appropriate policies and strategies will we be able to face the challenges ahead and ensure a sustainable future for generations to come.

MODERATOR

Rosa Montañez - Fundación Natura

SPEAKERS

- Agustín Carrizosa Paraguay
- Katherine Martinez Ministry of Environment of Panama
- Wilfredo Arrugui Valdes MINAG

13:00 - 14:30

SKILLS FOR TOMORROW: PREPARING FOR A JUST AND EQUITABLE TRANSITION

Panama, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, and Chile seek to share their experiences regarding projects, programs, and initiatives led in the strengthening of capacities. Taking into account the six elements of Climate Empowerment Action and the gender perspective, these initiatives aim to develop skills and knowledge across various sectors of society to achieve a just transition.

MODERATOR Lorena Lomas - ONU Mujeres América Latina y el Caribe

- Carol Simon Ministry of Environment of Panama
- Massiel Cairo National Climate Change Council of the Dominican Republic
- Karina Salinas Ministry of the Environment, Water, and Ecological Transition of Ecuador
- Lorena Pérez Division of Environment, Climate Change and Oceans of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile





EASTERN TROPICAL PACIFIC MARINE CORRIDOR (CMAR) AS A STRATEGY THAT CONNECTS THE PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF RESOURCES WITH THEIR DIFFERENT USERS

The CMAR is a voluntary initiative between Ecuador, Costa Rica, Colombia and Panama, which seeks the Conservation, Protection and Sustainable Use of marine resources among the Marine Protected Areas that make it up and that represent its core areas. The corridor seeks to ensure the health of these ecosystems based on joint government work and taking advantage of the support of external partners. At this event, the Ministers of the Environment of the four member countries will discuss the strategies designed together to strengthen the CMAR and ensure the health of the region through the care of the highly migratory species that connect this strip of the Eastern Tropical Pacific and the ecosystems where they develop.

MODERATOR

Rosa Montañez - Fundación Natura

SPEAKERS

- Ecuador
- Costa Rica
- · Colombia
- Panamá

16:00 - 17:30

EXPLORING LESSONS LEARNED: LONG-TERM STRATEGIES IN LATIN AMERICA

This event will provide a valuable platform to learn from successful experiences and collaborate in building effective solutions to combat climate change in Latin America. The audience will have the opportunity to engage in a Q&A session, fostering interactive dialogue to explore the successful strategies presented.

MODERATOR Elsa Velasco - FIIAP

- Sebastián Carranza Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development of Colombia
- Natalie Pareja Ministry of Environment of Uruguay
- Axel René Bautista López Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources of Guatemala
- Camila Labarca Ministry of Environment of Chile
- Ligia Castro de Doens Ministry of Environment of Panama



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COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING FOR RESILIENCE: STRATEGIES, PLANS AND POLICIES

This event seeks to provide an opportunity to promote the exchange of experiences and learning within the framework of adaptation planning in the region, highlighting the importance of building climate resilience to respond comprehensively to the impacts – current and future – due to climate change. , promoting cooperation between peers and the strategic and sustainable implementation of adaptation processes.

MODERATOR

Maribel Pinto - Ministry of Environment of Panama

SPEAKERS

- Nora Páez Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development of Paraguay
- Cecilia Nicolini Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development of Argentina
- Mabel Zúñiga Ministry of Environment of Panama

11:00 - 12:30

EFFECT OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON ISLAND COMMUNITIES: THE EXAMPLE OF SUBDUG CARTÍ IN GUNA YALA, PANAMA

The rise in sea level, produced by global warming, is generating physical and chemical changes that not only affect coastal marine biodiversity, but is also impacting anthropogenic activities and coastal communities. The Community of Cartí Subdug is an island in the indigenous region of Guna Yala, which will be moved by this phenomenon, so this event is expected to show the social, cultural and religious effects that this transfer will generate. Researchers from the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, the University of Miami and the Ministry of the Environment of Panama will analyze the repercussions of this.

MODERATOR

Maribel Pinto - Ministry of Environment of Panama

- Ana Spalding Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute
- Daniel Suman University of Miami
- Eduardo Leblanc Ombudsman of Panama



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GHG MANAGEMENT IN MUNICIPALITIES AND MEASURES FOR MITIGATION. MUNICIPAL COMMITMENT IN GHG MANAGEMENT

Facilitate the exchange of successful experiences among different municipalities in managing their GHGs and highlight innovative strategies that have proven to reduce their emissions.

MODERATOR

Juan Manuel Lucero - Ministry of Environment of Panama

SPEAKERS

- Crisolo Isarama Asociación de Municipios de los Pueblos Indígenas
- Pacto Global de Alcaldes
- Gonzalo Durán Chile

14:30 - 16:00

IMPACTS OF SEA LEVEL RISE: A CROSS-CUTTING VISION TOWARDS ADAPTATION

In this space, the aim is to showcase global initiatives, experiences, and resources that are part of measures being implemented for adaptation planning to the effects of climate change in the oceans. This involves highlighting actions taken from various parts of the world, identifying successful strategies and key tools used in ocean management in the context of climate change, and promoting international collaboration and coordination of efforts. It also involves addressing challenges effectively and planning a more resilient future for our marine ecosystems and the communities that depend on them.

MODERATOR

Rosa Montañez - Fundación Natura

- Jennifer Jurado PEERS
- Frank Martin Seifert ESA
- Maribel Pinto Ministry of Environment of Panama



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16:00-17:30

CARBON MARKETS IN THE AMERICAS: HOW COLLABORATION CAN HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF THE AMERICAS

Presentation of the Report on the Assessment of Carbon Pricing in the Americas. Representatives from Quebec, Panama, Brazil, California, Mexico, Washington, RCC, and others will present the recent developments and future prospects of carbon pricing instruments in the region.

MODERTOR

RCC - ICAP - ICLAC

SPEAKERS

- IETA
- Québec Representatives
- Panamá
- Brazil
- California
- México
- Washington
- · RCC

17:30 - 19:00

ENHANCING DIRECT ACCESS THROUGH PEER-TOPEER COLLABORATION: ADDRESSING COMMON CHALLENGES IN ACCESSING AND IMPLEMENTING CLIMATE FINANCE

The role of Direct Access Entities in advancing the mandates of the AF and GCF is fundamental to ensure that climate actions are promoted and assumed by the countries themselves. In this context, the Direct Access Entities Community of Practice is established as a strategic partner of South-South learning and capacity development in achieving the objectives of both funds, including the transition towards low-emission and resilient development. to climate change, as well as greater complementarity of AF and GCF support.

MODERATOR Maria-José Poddey, Head of Climate Policy Support Programme at GIZ



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9:30-11:00

THE ROLE OF STRATEGIC PARTNERS IN FINANCING REGIONAL INITIATIVES FOR THE PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF MARINE RESOURCES

The international effort to ensure the protection and conservation of marine and coastal resources demands a significant investment, not only economically but also in terms of human resources, equipment, training, and support. This is something that is not always a priority for countries in the Tropical Eastern Pacific. Therefore, it is essential to have strategic partners who can assist these countries in establishing alliances to design strategies for the conservation of these resources, which generate economic income and promote environmental and social stability. This event will showcase, through representatives from various organizations, the benefits that have been generated through the support and follow-up provided at both national and international levels.

MODERATOR Jair Urriola

SPEAKERS

- Rosa Montañez Fundación Pacifico
- Mauricio Velásquez CAF
- Patricia Leon ReWild

11:00 - 12:30

ALIGNING PUBLIC FINANCIAL FLOWS WITH THE PARIS AGREEMENT

Sharing the Importance of Collaborative Work Between the Technical Units of Public Finance, Economy and Finance, or Planning for Development Ministries, and their counterparts in the Ministries of Environment, to Achieve the Objectives Established in the Paris Agreement.

MODERATOR PNUMA

- Uruguay
- Colombia
- Chile
- Panamá





13:00-14:30

BUILDING RESILIENT TERRITORIES: PLANNING AND MONITORING AS A CROSSCUTTING AXIS IN THE TERRITORIES

This space aims to present some of the numerous results and progress in the analyses identifying the population vulnerable to the negative effects of climate change for Panama and other countries in the region. Likewise, it is expected to share methodologies and knowledge acquired in the processes of generating these results, working strategies in the analysis of the obtained outcomes, as well as establishing collaborative links with different institutions at the international level.

MODERATOR Rosa Montañez - Fundación Natura

SPEAKERS

- Rafael García Agencia Española de Cooperación Internacional (AECID)
- Nora Páez Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development of Paraguay
- Priscila Riquelme Ministry of Environment of Panama

14:30 - 16:00

PREPARATION FOR THE DELIVERY OF THE FIRST IBT IN THE LATIN AMERICA AND CARIBBEAN REGION

This event seeks an opportunity to learn about the progress of the Latin America and Caribbean region in developing its first Biennial Transparency Report, focusing on the main challenges and needs to carry out this report.

MODERATOR

Esteban Bermúdez - Climate Change Specialist GEF

- Stephanie Petta Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development
- Melani Acosta Ministry of Environment of Panama



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11:00 - 12:30

REGIONAL ACTION FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF COASTAL-MARINE RESOURCES IN THE MESOAMERICAN PACIFIC AND THE TROPICAL EASTERN PACIFIC CORRIDOR

Exchange experiences, progress, and steps regarding the development and implementation of sustainable finance taxonomies among countries, aiming to align financial flows from the private financial sector and meet the objectives of the Paris Agreement.

MODERATOR

Gandhi Montoya/Mario Escobedo

SPEAKERS

- · Ministro Colombia o Ecuador
- Ministro de SERNA Honduras
- Ministro MIANE Costa Rica
- WWF

14:30 - 16:00

CORPORATE CARBON FOOTPRINT MEASUREMENT PROGRAMS: ACTIONS AND EXPERIENCES TOWARD CARBON NEUTRALITY

The objective of this event is to facilitate the exchange of experiences and knowledge between Panama and other countries in the region regarding the models used for quantifying and reporting the carbon footprint in organizations. It also aims to present the actions and experiences of private sector organizations to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050, along with government initiatives of the Republic of Panama.

MODERATOR

Mariel Sanjur - Ministry of Environment of Panama

- JRafael Villalona CEMEX
- Madelka McCalla AES
- Wetlands





16:00 - 17:30

CHALLENGES FOR ARTICLE 6 ON SAFEGUARDS: LESSONS FROM THE VOLUNTARY CARBON MARKET IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

CCAP and UNEP have undertaken a research project, funded by Euroclima, to assess the state of carbon markets in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC), in relation to the types of projects being developed. The project aims to study the various principles, guidelines, and safeguard frameworks established in various Voluntary Carbon Market (VCM) programs to extract lessons learned from their experiences.

MODERATOR TBD

SPEAKERS CCAP



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MANGROVES AS NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS TO ADDRESS CLIMATE CHANGE: LOCAL ACTION FOR GLOBAL AMBITION

The goal is to incorporate and strengthen ambitious objectives for mangrove conservation in international and national political agendas, such as the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), and the Paris Agreement. This aims to continue creating innovative strategies for the protection and restoration of mangroves and promoting public policies that contribute to their conservation.

MODERATOR Pieter Eijk

SPEAKERS

- Julie Mulonga Wetlands International East Africa
- · Kevin Douglas International Federation of the Red
- International Federation of the Red Cross Latin America and Caribbean
- Annadel Cabanban Wetlands International Asia

11:00-12:30

GREENHOUSE GAS MANAGEMENT IN MUNICIPALITIES AND MEASURES FOR MITIGATION

Municipalities are living laboratories where concrete policies and practices can have a significant impact. This is where decisions are made regarding public transportation, waste management, urban planning, and many other areas that influence greenhouse gas emissions. Therefore, it is essential for municipalities to take responsibility for reducing their emissions and promoting environmental sustainability.

Hence, in many countries in the region, efforts have been made to define National Greenhouse Gas Management Programs that adopt standardized methodologies to quantify and report municipal-level greenhouse gas emissions systematically.

MODERATOR

Pacto Global de Alcaldes

- Ministry of Environment of Panama
- IDOM
- Local Government of Panama
- · Pacto Global de Alcaldes



PROMOTING CARBON MARKETS WITH HIGH-INTEGRITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY CREDITS

Provide a space for the exchange of experiences among diverse actors at the technical and/or political levels regarding the development of these regulatory instruments for the generation of carbon credits in line with each country's circumstances.

MODERATOR Carlos Guerra - Ministry of Environment of Panama

SPEAKERS

- Amy Kessler Climate Action Reserve
- Janibel Muñoz Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, Dominican Republic
- Jason Gray Governors' Forest and Climate Task Force

16:00 - 17:30

VULNERABILITY OF AGRI-FOOD SYSTEMS

The event aims to promote a comprehensive dialogue on the construction of climatesmart and resilient food systems in the Latin America and Caribbean region. Facilitate discussions that encompass various perspectives, regional and global cooperation among multiple stakeholders.

MODERATOR **CFRS**

- Belice
- Panamá
- Alianza CFRS
- · PLACA
- Fundación 4SD





YOUTH AMBASSADORS FOR CLIMATE IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

The event aims to highlight the crucial role of young people as agents of change in the fight against climate change. Through dynamic presentations, interactive discussions, and shared experiences, the Youth Ambassadors for Climate, supported by Juventud Sostenible, will provide fresh perspectives and creative solutions to address the climate crisis.

MODERATOR

Otoniel Carela - Juventud Sostenible

- María Laura Martínez Dominican Republic
- Ismaela Glioto Chile
- Carol Simon Panamá

