

The emerging complexity of climate adaptation governance in a globalising world: science-policy day

The Paris Agreement on climate change defines adaptation as a global challenge, with a global goal, requiring global governance arrangements. Transnational climate impacts, cascading across borders and along global supply chains, also show that a local emphasis on adaptation is no longer sufficient. Academic and policy debates on the complexity and scale of climate adaptation coincide with the emergence of global, regional and transnational initiatives for governing, planning and implementing adaptation action.

At the start of a three-day international scientific workshop, the Stockholm Environment Institute and Stockholm University host a public science-policy event aimed at shedding light on the challenges and responsibilities of governing climate adaptation beyond the national level, and on opportunities to learn from research and practice.

Monday 22 May 2017 Venue: Historiska Museet, Narvavägen 13-17, 114 84 Stockholm

- 12.00–13.00** Registration, sandwich lunch and mingle
- 13.00–13.20** Welcome – **Johan Kuylenstierna** (Stockholm Environment Institute, Sweden), **Ruben Zondervan** (Earth System Governance Project) and **Åsa Persson** (Stockholm Environment Institute, Sweden)
- 13.20–13.50** **KEYNOTE PRESENTATION:** Geographies of adaptation governance in the Americas – **Diana Liverman** (Co-Director of the Institute of the Environment and Regents Professor of Geography and Development, University of Arizona, United States)
- 13.50–15.10** **SCIENCE-POLICY DIALOGUE:** Can adaptation policy development and adaptation governance research keep up with one another?
Moderator: **Richard Klein** (Stockholm Environment Institute, Germany)
- » **Lars Ronnås** (Ambassador for Climate Change, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Sweden)
 - » **Ayman Bel Hassan Cherkaoui** (Special Adviser, UNFCCC COP22 Presidency, Morocco)
 - » **Diana Liverman** (University of Arizona, United States)
 - » **Mizan Khan** (Professor and Director of External Affairs, North South University, Bangladesh)
 - » **Björn-Ola Linnér** (Director, Mistra Geopolitics; Professor of Environmental Change, Linköping University, Sweden)
- 15.10–15.40** Coffee, tea, refreshments
- 15.40–16.40** **RESEARCH SESSION:** Global adaptation governance: setting the scene
Chair: **Karin Bäckstrand** (Stockholm University, Sweden)
Discussant: **Sander Chan** (German Development Institute, Germany)
- » Climate adaptation after Paris: a multi-level governance model – **Maria L. Banda** (University of Toronto, Canada)
 - » Governing borderless climate risks in a bordered world – **Magnus Benzie** and **Åsa Persson** (Stockholm Environment Institute, Sweden)
 - » Tracking global adaptation governance – **Robbert Biesbroek et al.** (Wageningen University & Research, The Netherlands and Tracking Adaptation to Climate Change Collaboration, Canada)
- 16.40–17.20** Drinks and snacks



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