



Online Conference

8th Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA) Knowledge Day

The Future of Ecosystem-based Adaptation: Enhancing cross-sectoral collaboration and identifying new opportunities for long-term resilience

Date, time and venue:

Thursday 2 June 2022

14:30 – 18:30 CEST / 08:30 – 12:30 EDT

Talque virtual conference space, details to be provided after registration:

<https://tinyurl.com/Register-EbA-KD8>

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The virtual conference space will be available for registered participants only!

Background

Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA) has the potential to provide combined solutions for climate change and biodiversity loss. Leading up to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) COP 26 and the adoption of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework, the moment is opportune to discuss how EbA can be a vehicle to use and maximize the synergies between climate change and biodiversity agendas.

This EbA Knowledge Day will focus on analyzing the latest, cross-sectoral developments related to EbA in policy, practice, research and financing and, in this context, participants will discuss outlooks and priorities for EbA, identify opportunities for capitalizing on EbA action to date, as well as innovative avenues for maximizing EbA benefits in the future. The day will include input by high-level officials, panel discussions, and interactive thematic sessions. Updates to the program will be published on the [FEBA](#) and [Adaptation Community](#) webpages.

The event is being organized by [GIZ](#) & [IUCN](#), under the [Friends of EbA](#) (FEBA). FEBA is a global collaborative network of more than 98 agencies and organisations working in EbA working jointly to share experiences and knowledge, to improve the implementation of EbA related activities on the ground, and to raise awareness and understanding of EbA in adaptation planning processes and multilateral policy frameworks.

The documentation of last year's *EbA Knowledge Day* can be found [here](#).

Speakers & Panelists:

Video Presentations

- Video presentations will showcase how EbA has made a difference in individuals' lives, especially as related to climate negotiations

Panel Discussion

- *Barney Dickson*, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- *Cristina Simioli*, Renewables Grid Initiative
- *Fatema Rajabali*, Nairobi Work Programme, UNFCCC secretariat
- *Motoko Aizawa*, Observatory for Sustainable Infrastructure

Moderators

- *Ali Raza Rizvi*, IUCN
- *Harald Lossack*, GIZ

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Agenda

| Time | | Content | Inputs |
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| (CEST) | (EDT) | | |
| 14.00 | 08.00 | Check-in | Technical support available |
| 14.30 | 08.30 | Welcome by organisers | <i>Ali Raza Rizvi, IUCN & Harald Lossack, GIZ</i> |
| 14.40 | 08.40 | Recent institutional changes, policy developments & priorities for climate & biodiversity action: Insights from the German Government | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Elke Steinmetz, BMUV</i> • <i>Birte Derrix, BMWK</i> |
| 15.00 | 09.00 | Video reports from around the world | |
| 15.10 | 09.10 | Panel: "Enhancing cross-sectoral collaboration to identify new opportunities for adaptation / climate resilience" | Moderated by <i>Ali Raza Rizvi, IUCN</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Barney Dickson, UNEP</i> ▪ <i>Cristina Simioli, Renewables Grid Initiative</i> ▪ <i>Fatema Rajabali, Nairobi Work Programme, UNFCCC secretariat</i> ▪ <i>Motoko Aizawa, Observatory for Sustainable Infrastructure</i> |
| 16.30 | 10.30 | Virtual Coffee Break | |
| 16.45 | 10.45 | <u>Breakout Sessions</u> <i>Further details to be released shortly</i> | |
| 16.45-17.30 | 10.45-11.30 | Round 1: Breaking down sectoral siloes and learning from other sectors 1. <i>Synergies between biodiversity and climate policy frameworks</i> 2. <i>EbA in humanitarian contexts</i> 3. <i>EbA in infrastructure and engineering</i> | |
| 17.35-18.20 | 11.35-12.20 | Round 2: Long-term sustainability of EbA 4. <i>Long-term visions for climate and biodiversity, and the potential role of EbA</i> 5. <i>Just resilience: Climate Justice in EbA</i> 6. <i>Innovative financing for EbA: Engaging the private sector in EbA planning and implementation</i> | |
| 18.25 | 12.25 | Closing remarks | <i>Harald Lossack, GIZ</i> |
| 18.30 | 12.30 | End of the official program | |

Documentation:

The 8th EbA Knowledge Day event will be held online supported by a mobile event app, *talque*. In addition to online conferencing, several interactive features will be available. **All presentations and sessions will be recorded** and made available to registered participants on the virtual event space. Please check the [FEBA](#) and [Adaptation Community](#) webpages for updates.

Social media:

Please use hashtags #EbAKD8 and #KnowledgeDay on Twitter and other channels. Tagging [@Adapt_Community](#) and [@FriendsofEbA](#) would be appreciated.