

Online Conference

# 9<sup>th</sup> Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA) Knowledge Day

**When:** Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 1pm-5pm (CEST)

**Where:** Online – [Register here!](#)

Co-organized by the Friends of EbA Network (IUCN) and the Global Adaptation Network (UNEP), the 9<sup>th</sup> EbA Knowledge Day will kick-off with a high-level panel to discuss the importance of accelerating ecosystem-based adaptation (EbA) implementation in the context of achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

The 9<sup>th</sup> EbA Knowledge Day will focus on 4 key tracks:

- 1. The Global Stocktake**
- 2. The Global Goal On Adaptation**
- 3. Loss & Damage**
- 4. National Adaptation Plans and NDCs**

*Please note we expect a high demand for the event, and participation will be limited to a first-come-first-served basis. Be sure to register soon to secure your place!*

## **Background:**

Accelerating climate action to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development must be addressed through an integrated approach. Coinciding with the UN 2023 SDG Summit, the 9<sup>th</sup> EbA Knowledge Day will spotlight Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA) and Nature-based Solutions for Adaptation (NbSA) as integrated approaches - combining adaptation, mitigation, and biodiversity co-benefits - crucial for achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Despite their potential, EbA and NbSA are underfunded due to a lack of evidence-based impact measurement and target setting.

The goal of the 9<sup>th</sup> EbA Knowledge Day is therefore to connect global climate change efforts with the importance of EbA and NbSA as solutions that cut across various global challenges. The event will feature a high-level panel discussion, followed by interactive discussion tracks, led by the Friends of EbA and the Global Adaptation Network, to explore key questions related to measuring and setting targets for EbA and NbSA through specific global policy mechanisms. The insights generated in these discussions will provide a basis for GAN and the FEBA networks to make collective inputs to the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, COP28 and other policy forums.



based on a decision of the German Bundestag



# Draft Programme



TIME (CEST)	SEGMENT	
<b>15 Minutes</b>	<b>WELCOME &amp; OPENING</b>	
1300-1307	<b>Ali Raza Rizvi</b> , Head Climate Change, IUCN	Opening remarks
1307-1315	<b>Dr Ulf D. Jaeckel</b> , Head of Division, BMUV, IKI	Opening remarks
<b>75 Minutes</b>	<b>HIGH-LEVEL PANEL DISCUSSION</b>	
1315-1430	<p><i>Panel will include Regional, ENACT and HLC representatives.</i></p> <p>Convened along the margins of the 2023 SDG Summit, the Panel will discuss the importance of accelerating EbA implementation in the context of achieving SDGs and the role of related policy mechanisms. The panel will explore the multifaceted benefits of EbA to address various challenges, ranging from climate resilience and disaster risk reduction to poverty alleviation and biodiversity conservation thereby contributing to the attainment of the sustainable development goals.</p>	
<b>60 Minutes</b>	<b>ROUND 1: DISCUSSION TRACKS</b> <i>Parallel sessions – Breakout rooms for each Discussion Track</i>	
	Track Topic, Track Lead Organization	Key Question
1430-1530	<b>Global Stocktake Track (GST):</b> Climate and Development Knowledge Network (CDKN)	How to measure progress and effectiveness of EbA & NbSA?
1430-1530	<b>Global Goal on Adaptation (GGA):</b> World Wildlife Fund (WWF) Co-Lead: International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)	What science-based targets can be used for EbA & NbSA?
1430-1530	<b>Loss and Damage (L&amp;D):</b> United Nations University - Institute for Environment and Human Security (UNU-EHS)	What are the technical assistance needs and ways to address climate-induced non-economic loss & damage to ecosystems, ecosystem services and biodiversity?
1430-1530	<b>National (NDCs, NAPs, NBSAPs):</b> Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) Co-Lead: International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD)	How to scale-up the implementation of EbA & NbSA at the national level though links to NAPs, NDCs and NBSAPs?
1530-1535	<b>Short Break (5mins)</b>	

60 Minutes	ROUND 2: DISCUSSION TRACKS <i>Parrell sessions – Breakout rooms for each Discussion Track</i>	
	Track Topic, Track Lead Organization	Key Question
1535-1635	<b>Global Stocktake Track (GST):</b> Climate and Development Knowledge Network (CDKN)	How to measure progress and effectiveness of EbA & NbSA?
1535-1635	<b>Global Goal on Adaptation (GGA):</b> World Wildlife Fund (WWF) Co-Lead: International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)	What science-based targets can be used for EbA & NbSA?
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30 Minutes	CLOSING	
1635 - 1700	<b>SSN, WWF, UNU-EHS, CBD, Closing Presentations</b>	Each track Lead will present a discussion summary (5min per group)
1655 - 1700	<b>IUCN, Closing Remarks</b>	Goodbye & wrap-up

Please find the summary from last year's EbA Knowledge Day [here](#).

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