



Resilience Learning Week Special Events

ADB

ADB staff are invited to join a series of online events that will share regional and global voices, ideas, and learning on tackling climate change and building climate and disaster resilience. The series will run in parallel to SDCD's 2020 virtual training offering: 'Resilience Learning Week.'

VIRTUAL BROWN BAG EVENTS

Virtual Workshop: ADB and the Green Climate Fund

Thursday 19 November 1400 – 1530 PHT

ADB projects co-financed by the Green Climate Fund (GCF) introduce climate-smart innovations with transformational impact beyond the projects themselves, are scalable and replicable, and align with the climate change priorities of the beneficiary countries. They are designed to help ADB's DMCs move away from business-as-usual development to more sustainable pathways that are low-carbon and climate-resilient. This virtual workshop will provide an opportunity for staff to learn about strengthening the climate rationale for potential projects and GCF funding approval processes.

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Speakers: • Demetrio Innocenti, GCF
• Noelle O'Brien, ADB

Moderator: Christian Ellermann, ADB

Interactive Panel Discussion: Bridging the Climate Finance Gap at Local Level

Monday 23 November 1500 – 1600 PHT

The session will discuss the Local Climate Adaptive Living (LoCAL) Facility of the UN Capital Development Fund, which serves as a mechanism to integrate climate change adaptation into local governments' planning and budgeting systems, increase awareness of and response to climate change at the local level, and increase the amount of finance available to local governments for climate change adaptation.

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Speaker: Sophie De Coninck, UN Capital Development Fund

Moderator: Arghya Sinha Roy, ADB

Virtual Brown Bag: Exploring the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on global emission projections

Tuesday 24 November 1400 – 1500 PHT

This session will explore the implications of the COVID-19 pandemic and associated recovery measures on emissions out to 2030 and global emission pathways towards meeting the Paris climate goals ('what-if' scenarios). Prof. Dr. Niklas Höhne, a founding partner of NewClimate Institute, will review the most recent insights on post-COVID emissions projections and green recovery trajectories and provide a framework for analyzing the 'greenness' of recovery packages. Kate Hughes will discuss and introduce ADB's recent technical note. "Accelerating Climate and Disaster Resilience and Low-Carbon Development through the COVID-19 Recovery."

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Speakers: • Niklas Höhne, NewClimate Institute
• Kate Hughes, ADB

Moderator: Christian Ellermann, ADB

Panel and Group Discussion: The Search for the Perfect Indicator

Wednesday 25 November 0900 – 1000 PHT

This session will describe the new resilience rating system being developed by the World Bank to improve monitoring of progress of the adaptation and resilience agenda on the ground and to create incentives for governments, project developers, investors to identify and select higher-resilience options.

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Speaker: Stephane Hallegatte, World Bank

Moderator: Preety Bhandari, ADB

Panel Discussion: Stimulating Private Sector Investment in Resilient Infrastructure

Friday 27 November 1400 – 1500 PHT

Developing Asia will need to invest \$1.7 trillion per year in infrastructure until 2030 to maintain its growth momentum, tackle poverty, and respond to climate change. Natural hazards and climate change have a huge impact on infrastructure, and governments alone cannot ensure infrastructure systems are adequately resilient to cope with climate change and natural hazards. This Zoom Event explores how private sector engagement can be stimulated to enhance investment in climate and disaster resilient infrastructure.

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Speakers:

- Elisa McLennan, Arup
- Sanjay Grover, ADB
- Elizabeth Petheo, Miyamoto International

Moderator: Mario Unterwainig, ADB

Virtual Brown Bag: Paris Alignment of MDB operations

Tuesday 1 December 1400 – 1500 PHT

Two years ago, MDBs announced plans for a joint framework for aligning their activities with the goals of the Paris Agreement, reinforcing their commitment to combat climate change. This session will introduce key concepts and provide details of the work undertaken by the MDBs jointly, as well as ADB internally. We will highlight its connections to Strategy 2030 and discuss with internal and external experts the assessment of operations for alignment with the goals of the Paris Agreement.

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Speakers:

- Sujata Gupta, ADB
- Gianpiero Nacci, EBRD
- Christian Ellermann, ADB

Moderator: Preety Bhandari, ADB

Panel and Group Discussion: A Just Transition to a Low-Carbon and Climate-Resilient Asia and the Pacific

Tuesday 2 December 1500 – 1630 PHT

The Paris Agreement on climate change commits Parties to "taking into account the imperatives of a **just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs in accordance with nationally defined development priorities.**" The transition to a low-carbon and climate-resilient future will require radical restructuring. Just Transition recognizes the impact of such a transition on people and provides a bridge to a future where all jobs are green and decent, poverty is eradicated, and communities are thriving and resilient. This session will explore Just Transition planning and implementation; opportunities for ADB; and share joint MDB efforts on development of a common framework for Just Transition interventions.

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Speakers: CIF, EBRD and ADB Just Transition Working Group

Moderator: Kate Hughes, ADB

VIRTUAL CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

Resilience Learning Week

16 – 20 November 1400 – 1630 PHT

SDCD is launching a new virtual training offering which integrates training on climate and disaster resilience, climate finance, and disaster risk financing. The week will feature a series of short, highly interactive workshops targeted at operations staff who have joined ADB within the last year.

Registration by departmental nomination.

Training on Coastal Resilience through Integrated Nature-Based Solutions

24 – 26 November 1400 – 1700 PHT

Led by the Environment Thematic Group

Building coastal resilience is an urgent priority in Asia and the Pacific. Nature-based solutions can enhance the efficacy and sustainability of coastal investments and provide a cost-effective option for carbon capture and disaster risk reduction together with many other societal co-benefits. This three-day training is being organized by the Environment Thematic Group of SDCC, in collaboration with World Wildlife Fund for Nature (WWF) and the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN).

Registration by departmental nomination.

Climate and Disaster Resilient Transport Workshop

9 December 1000 – 1230 PHT

Jointly coordinated by the Climate Change and Disaster Risk Management Division and the Transport Sector Group

This workshop will share ADB good practices and global innovation on climate and disaster resilient transport infrastructure and explore future directions for enhancing resilience through ADB transport sector investment.

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