



ND-GAIN Annual Meeting December 11-12, 2013, Wilson Center Washington, DC

Money for Resiliency: The Promise of Adaptation Funding

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. December 12

5th Floor Meeting Room

Questions to frame panelists' 6 minute remarks and/or Q&A:

1. Where is money for resiliency flowing from now? Where is it likely to flow from in the future? Are these answers different for emerging economies vs. the developed world?
2. Some thinkers are bullish on the Green Climate Fund and UN mechanisms for funding climate resiliency. What is your perspective on the possibility of those funds materializing?
3. Since some of the commitment developed-world governments and multilaterals are making to emerging economies are expected to come from the private sector, how do we best tap into private sector leadership to ensure collaboration and prevent unintended consequences (or ensure resiliency in their investments overall?)
 - a. What is required to create the right enabling environment to attract and optimize public and private sector finance for efforts to adapt to the impacts of climate change (both in terms of large weather events and longer term climatic trends)
 - b. How should we use funds from the public purse to leverage private investment?

Panelists:

-Marcia Levaggi, Manager, UN Adaptation Fund

- Describe background and evolution of the Adaptation Fund
- Roles of donor countries
- Challenges of engaging the private sector and examples of private sector contribution

-Bennett Freeman, Senior Vice President for Sustainability Research and Policy, Calvert Investments

- Advocacy and public policy work – climate mitigation and adaptation complimentary and mutually reinforcing.
- Guide corporations on physical Risks from Climate Change especially re: disclosure and management of climate impacts
- Private sector investment to drive the agenda, as well as policy incentives

-Emerson Resende, Independent Consultant, Climate Change & Sustainability Expert

- Examples of company perspectives on protecting their physical assets in supply chain.
- Difference between emerging economies and developed countries.
- European versus US perspective.

-Richard Saines, Principal, Baker & McKenzie LLP and

- How to create the right environment to attract the private sector to the investment opportunity inherent in building climate resiliency.



- Given overall investment needs over the next decade, leveraging public resources to create environment that inspires more private investment, (i.e. buy down risk) important to adequately address adaptation needs
- ROI for enhancing climate resiliency as distinct from avoided future loss

Moderator: Kate Sheppard, Environment & Energy Editor, The Huffington Post