

Readout: REAP Partnership Meeting, September 2022

Time: 10:00 CEST, 29th September 2022

The Secretariat welcomed Partners, introduced the agenda, and asked Partners to continue adding their information to the [Padlet](#).

Partner updates

A. Climate Adaptation and Resilience (CLARE) Programme

Presentation by Katherine Marsden, Climate Science Advisor – Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO), UK Met Office

- CLARE is a research framework programme supporting adaptation through action-oriented research and enabling the capacity to build resilience, address knowledge gaps, and boost the response to the climate crisis in Africa and Asia-Pacific regions.
- It enables socially inclusive and sustainable action to build resilience and reduce vulnerability to risk from climate change and natural hazards for the most vulnerable and addresses the urgent need to scale up research and innovation efforts to provide better information on risks, better decision-making tools and better adaptation solutions to enable transformational change.
- CLARE’s objectives are to maximize uptake of existing knowledge; drive the development of new knowledge to support adaptation and boost resilience among the most vulnerable; strengthen capacity from research to action; and support socially inclusive, practical action by addressing social, economic, and political trade-offs and barriers to climate adaptation for the most vulnerable.
- The initial CLARE Research Call was launched in April 2022 around CLARE's three core themes: Understanding Risk, Risk-informed Early Action, and Developing in a Changing Climate. The Call attracted more than 1,650 concept notes, covering smaller (<£0.7m) and larger (<£5m) projects in approximately 50 countries, on a range of issues e.g., cities, early warning, development planning, food systems, health, community-led pathways, etc. Projects were shortlisted and in the final selection round 16 projects have been taken forward.
- **For further information** please see presentation slides and/or reach out to Katherine directly at katherine.marsden@fcdo.gov.uk

B. Presentation of the recently launched book ‘Towards the “Perfect” Weather Warning’

Presentation by Prof. Brian Golding OBE, Met Office Fellow in Weather Impacts, WMO/WWRP co-chair HIWeather

- The book’s aim is to help decision-makers, practitioners and others to make weather warnings more effective in saving lives, property, infrastructure and livelihoods. Its underlying theme is partnership.

- The book is primarily aimed at professionals and trainee professionals with a role in weather-related hazard warnings: in weather services, emergency management agencies, disaster risk reduction agencies, risk management sections of infrastructure agencies and relevant parts of government.
- HIWeather has used a simplified conceptual model of the warning cycle to help define what makes an effective warning. A warning involves many people and organisations in its production, each with individual expertise. They find that, at every stage of producing a warning, information is lost when it is passed on without consideration of who will receive it and how it will be used. Instead, at each stage, communication should be a two-way process involving both the producer and the user of the information, to ensure that the user understands the significance of what they are receiving and can use it effectively in the decisions they have to make. These bridges between the different organisations involved in producing the warning and with those who will use the warning need to be built on the foundation of true partnership.
- There is a need to integrate and improve the way we work between global, continental, and regional meteorological services to deliver information on time.
- **For an overview of the book chapters and more information** please see presentation slides and/or reach out to Dr. Golding directly at brian.golding@metoffice.gov.uk
- **You can download the book** 'Towards the “Perfect” Weather Warning' here: <https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-3-030-98989-7>
- **Watch the book launch** at the UCL Warning Research Centre here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-bsQXq4z4x4&t=17s>

Secretariat updates

A. REAP Technical Advisory Group meeting (15.09.22) and the upcoming REAP Governing Board meeting (18.10.22)

- Formed earlier this year, the Technical Advisory Group (TAG) acts as a bridge between the operational elements of the Partnership, including the Working Groups, and the Governing Board.
- On September 15th, 2022, the TAG met for the second time to:
 - dive deeper into the EW4A Initiative,
 - look at the MEL Framework and how it is used to guide the direction of the partnership,
 - discuss the recently finalized Glossary of Early Action terms and provide advice on how to best disseminate it.
- UNDRR provided a brief update on the upcoming official launch of the Sendai Framework Target G report on October 13th that will take place in Maputo, Mozambique with simultaneous regional launches in NY and other offices.
- UNDRR also reminded partners that they could use [IDDRR](#) webpage to share and promote their activities related to the DRR to mark the occasion.
- The next REAP Governing Board meeting will take place virtually on October 18th, 2022, and will be diving into key opportunities to achieve the collective targets:
 - on the EW4A Initiative and how it could be complimented as well as use political commitments to make sure future investment in EWEA results in last mile delivery. WMO

is leading on the Initiative and is currently developing the Executive Plan of Action that would be launched at COP27.

- on [Finance for Early Action: Tracking Commitments, Trends, Challenges and Opportunities](#) – the report was published earlier outlining the current state of Financing for Early Action and outlining recommendations to further promote and embed this agenda. . In June 2022, a closed-door virtual donor round-table event was convened to discuss the report’s findings and recommendations, aiming to reach consensus on the way forward. A second in-person closed-door event convened by REAP, UK and Germany with support from the CDP will take place on October 12-13 with additional key stakeholders such as MDBs and private sector partners to progress discussions that occurred in June and begin shaping the strategic discussion and practical priority actions on the road to 2025 leveraging the work being undertaken under REAP's MEL Framework, the Board will have the opportunity to consider whether the Partnership can be more ambitious in its working modalities and whether we need to scale up our own efforts to ensure we achieve the 4 Targets by 2025.
- **For more information** on the TAG and the REAP Governing Board activities, please reach out to the reap.secretariat@ifrc.org

B. Case studies update

- This year’s 10 case studies (Vietnam, Burkina Faso, Kenya, Dominican Republic, Pakistan, Haiti, Indonesia, Senegal, Somalia and Zimbabwe) are expected to be finalized by October 21st with contributions from REAP partners.
- The gaps between the official frameworks and actual efforts on the ground in terms of AA were also noted along as well as some challenges in obtaining regular feedback from practitioners.
- **For more information on the case studies**, please reach out to Arthur or Amandine: a.brochen@LIVE.FR, amandine.gnanguenon@gmail.com

C. Asia-Pacific Ministerial Conference on DRR, 19-22 September 2022

- The Secretariat was pleased to see the high level of EWEA themes represented across event, an increasing interest of Pacific Islands States, high focus on indigenous knowledge and high focus on local leadership.
- **For any additional information on the APMCDRR**, please contact Emma Flaherty emma.flaherty@ifrc.org

D. COP27

- The Secretariat is still pursuing some events, with ongoing discussions to host a reception at the UK Pavilion and a high-level side event focusing on African region.
- As was the case for COP26 in 2021, REAP (in collaboration with the Anticipation Hub) will be sharing regular daily updates during COP27 to help colleagues stay informed about all the events taking place on the topics of Anticipatory Action.
- Should you wish to add your event for this purpose, please add it to the list through: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1y-EfHR77J-U_QVE0qkqD7jahsUXnGJsNUqHEXM-lcbg/viewform?edit_requested=true

Additional Comments

- On the launch of the Sendai Framework Target G report, please see more: <https://www.undrr.org/publication/concept-note-international-day-disaster-risk-reduction-2022>
- For a snapshot of the Global Status Report on EW (Target G report), follow the EW chapter of [United in Science 2022: A multi-organization high-level compilation of the most recent science related to climate change, impacts and responses](#).
- the Space 4 Innovation [#DemocratizingSpaceData](#) social media campaign that is now underway in collaboration with the GEO Indigenous Alliance, the Confederation of Indigenous Nationalities of the Ecuadorian Amazon (CONFENIAE), and Namunyak Community Conservation to showcase space-based [#opensource](#) technologies and satellite imagery used by Indigenous Peoples and underrepresented communities for [#ClimateAction](#)
- [Pacific Disaster Resilience Program: Anticipatory Action for Infrastructure Sectors in the Pacific Islands Synthesis Report | Asian Development Bank](#)
- The LLA Pavilion (Locally Led Adaptation) is still open to organisations looking to host an event at COP27. Applications welcome: <https://www.uncdf.org/article/7954>