

# Facing Climate Change

## Role of Local Evidence in Advocating for Urgent Actions

28 November 2018 16:00-18:15

Schanzengasse 5, Bern, Welle 7 Workspace



Civil society has a key role to play in holding governments accountable to the commitments made in the frame of the global frameworks and in advocating for Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation interventions that respond to local needs. “Local evidence” pairing scientific proof with a personal or illustrative narrative that touch people’s emotions is a powerful tool to advocate for urgent climate action and risk informed development.

Taking forward the outcomes and key messages from this year’s practitioner’s workshop “*Local evidence for disaster and climate resilient pathways – an advocacy journey*” hosted by the Swiss DRR NGO Plattform, this Public Event will elaborate on local evidence as instrument to advocate for low carbon, risk-informed and climate resilient development pathways. Representatives of grassroots advocacy organizations, civil society networks, media and the Swiss Government shall reflect on the use of local evidence for advocacy and how it needs to be framed to create awareness and bring it to the policy dialogue. The momentum of 24th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in Katowice (COP24) and the Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction in Geneva (GPDRR 2019) will be used to bring the distilled messages to policy fora.

## Programm

- 15:45 - 16:00 Arrival of participants and welcome coffee/tea
- 16:00 – 16:05 Welcome Notes, Rupa Mukerji, HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation
- 16:05 - 16:30 **Jana Junghardt**, Caritas Switzerland and **Sikhanyisiwe Dube**, HEKS/EPER: [Reporting back from Swiss NGO DRR Plattform’s F2F workshop](#)
- 16:30-16:50 **Jesusa Grace Molina**, Programme Coordinator at the Center for Disaster Preparedness (CDP) in the Philippines  
[Frontline: Turning Community Views into Action](#)
- 16:50-17:00 **Daniel Maselli**, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation  
[The 100'000 Climate Change Postcards Initiative](#)
- 17:00-18:15 **Panel Discussion** on the role of local evidence in advocating for urgent actions – What are the success factors?
- **Thomas Häusler**, Director of the Scientific Editorial Office, Swiss Radio and Television (SRF)
  - **Shivangi Chavda**, Views from the Frontline Coordinator, Global Network of Civil Society Organisations for Disaster Reduction (GNDR)
  - **Christian Lüthi**, Managing Director of Klima-Allianz Schweiz
  - **Daniel Maselli**, Focal Point Climate Change & Environment Network, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)
- 18:15 **Apéro riche**  
Facilitation by Rupa Mukerji, HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation

Please register via <http://www.drrplatform.org/event-list/34-f2f-2018/116-f2f-2018.html>