WORLD RISK ADAPTATION FUTURES - SOCIAL PROTECTION

WEBINAR ON

Social protection as a tool to address climate change and sustainable development – from reactive to proactive social protection

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Social protection is traditionally seen from the lenses of poverty alleviation, food security, employment adjustments and protecting people from falling back into poverty. While much remains to be done in this regard, emerging vulnerability and exposure to climate change need our utmost attention as well. Various factors that enhance vulnerability to poverty and food insecurity also cut across the drivers and impacts of climate change. There is a growing need to readjust our social protection policies and programmes to incorporate the unfolding and perceived realities of climate change. However, the uncertainties regarding climate change and its enormous range from slow onset events (such as decline in precipitation) to sudden events (such as drought) mean creating additional flexibility around the social protection mechanisms and broadening their horizon.



In this webinar, we aim to:

- 1) Explore the linkages between traditional social protection mechanisms and the drivers of climate change
- 2) Discuss how the traditional components of social protection such as social assistance, labor market schemes and social insurance are likely to (as well as need to) evolve to reduce the exposure and vulnerabilities to climate change?
- 3) Understand how the future uncertainties can be incorporated in social protection mechanisms.

AGENDA

TIME SLOT		ACTIVITY	WHO
Bonn	Jakarta		
12:00-12:05	17:00-17:05	Opening remarks	Moderator
12:05-12:12	17:05-17:12	Keynote	Director, UNU-EHS
12:12-12:30	17:12-17:30	Opening remarks from the panelists	MRF, UNFCCC, LMU, MCII, Mercy Corps
12:30-13:00	17:30-18:00	Discussion	Panel
13:00-13:15	18:00-18:15	Questions	Audience
13:15-13:30	18:15-18:30	Concluding remarks	Panelists & Moderator

SPEAKERS / PANELISTS



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