

Too Much Too Little, The Role of Water in Adaptation to Climate Change



Panel Discussion

Or some provocative questions for our civil society panel...
...that the audience is welcome to comment!



Q1 - media

- How does 'classic' media (environment related) deals with 'new' media (blogs, net, social) when it comes to the adaptation issue?
- Do you use it as a source of information?

- If advancing adaptation implies to be 'over with' the climate change science vs. sceptics discussion, what is the role of media in informing the public about this topic?

- Unlike mitigation NGOs do not usually get involved in the national discussions about adaptation? Why is that?
- Should they? Or would this mean the failure of mitigation?

Q4 - NGOs + media



- Where do you get your information on adaptation from?
- What are your trusted sources (blogs vs. IPCC vs. national public agencies vs. national scientists)?

Q5 - NGOs + media



- From your perspective, what is the ‘best’ way to communicate the urgency of climate adaptation to populations?
- Is it the same to communicate this at the local and national level (the ‘think global act local’ issue)?

Comments? Conference participants pointed out, among others, to the following challenges for adaptation policy & practice:



- ‘Need for a clear roadmap to move from planning measures to actions’ (droughts, floods)
- ‘Communication challenges - awareness, risks, trust, conflicts of interest’ (floods, coastal erosion & infrastructures, agriculture)
- ‘Need for local solutions involving municipalities’ (coastal erosion, cities)
- ‘Need for long-term commitment, independent of the political cycles’ (droughts, cities, coastal infrastructures)
- ‘Need for allocation of responsibilities (floods, cities)

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Thank you!