

Workshop:

Climate change, displacement and development policy

bringing together policy, humanitarian, development, research, government voices to create an action plan

5 November 2021, 9:45 - 13:30

C3 - Centrum für Internationale Entwicklung
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2 G-rules apply to COVID-19 (vaccinated, recovered).
Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, there is a limited number of participants.
A binding registration is required: fanizadeh@vidc.org

Background Details:

Following the panel discussion "Climate crisis boosts displacement" (<https://www.vidc.org/en/topics/migration/climate-crisis-boosts-displacement>) on 4 November 2021, VIDC and IIASA are organizing the workshop to deepen the knowledge into the topic and to get concrete results for further work. The workshop will be moderated by Andreas Zinggl from Caritas St. Pölten with the support of Monika Bauer from IIASA and Michael Fanizadeh from VIDC. Participants include experts from non-governmental organizations, scientists, and ministries and agencies.

Goal:

Identify 3 or 4 recommendations that Austria should implement in its policy to address climate change and migration to promote climate justice.

The briefing paper "Climate Crisis, Displacement and Development Policy" of the Migration & Development Working Group serves as a reference paper. The current publication contains 15 and is very broad. The idea is to identify the 3 or 4 that should be implemented now and allow us to create an action plan. The working group is part of the AG Globale Verantwortung - Platform for Development and Humanitarian Aid in Austria.

Output:

- A policy paper that is published as follow up of the workshop.
- A report of the panel discussion and the workshop for the website.

Planned Program:

9:45 – 10:00 Coffee while participants arrive – an opportunity to begin networking and getting to know other colleagues.

10:00 – 11:30 Introduction to workshop and goals. Then an introduction by participants where each participant introduces their neighbour or someone they were previously paired with.

Adil Najam and Jane Linekar provides framework to the conversation. For example, why it's important to have those at the workshop engaging on this topic, working together to provide recommendations for Austria to implement in policy, and what impact such policies can have.

A colleague from the AG Migration & Development to present the current 15 recommendations from the publication. This would provide the starting point for discussions and should include that 15 is too broad – our goal in the workshop is to identify those that can be implemented first / create action now. During this presentation, each recommendation is written on a flip chart. Then during the break participants can write their name under the 3 they find are most important / need to be addressed first / realistic steps forward.

11:30 – 12:00, BREAK: participants write their names under the top three recommendations they would want to see covered in the policy document that is the output of the workshop. Before the break ends, the 3 or 4 flip charts with the most names stay in the room. Identify / split participants into groups under those topics.

12:00 – 13:00, Participants are split into groups – each taking their respective flip chart for an interactive discussion. The goal is to have their proposal for the policy document covering the topic / recommendation on the flip chart.

13:00 – 13:30, Participants come back together to present their groups' policy recommendation. It should cover how this goes into practice / be tangible recommendations.

13:30 End of workshop – policy document compiled from each group presentation with each participant as an author. Dissemination / outputs described above.

International experts

Adil Najam, (born in Pakistan) is an environmental and development researcher and expert in the field of climate change. Najam is Professor of Global Public Policy and Environment, and Dean of the Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies at Boston University in the United States. Earlier he was the Vice Chancellor of the Lahore University (LUMS) in Pakistan. In 2008, UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon appointed him to the United Nations Committee on Development Policy. Najam was also one of the co-authors for the Third and Fourth Assessments of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC); work for which the scientific panel was awarded the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize for advancing the public understanding of climate change science.

Jane Linekar, 4Mi Global Coordinator, joined the Mixed Migration Centre as the Global Coordinator of the 4Mi project in May 2019, and is leading on a new project looking into climate and mobility in Africa. Jane was previously a researcher and managing editor at Geneva's Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, and analysis team coordinator at ACAPS. She has also worked with a number of other international NGOs and think tanks.

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