

Pre-Conference Event

National Youth Forum – Inspiring Youth for Climate Actions

Monday, 10 April 2017

Kanchenjunga Meeting Hall

ICIMOD Headquarters, Kathmandu

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Background

ICIMOD engages young professionals to build their understanding of climate change science and to develop their capacity to bring about positive change in society. As agents of change in local communities, young people can engage at the grassroots, national, regional, and international levels and be instrumental in communicating climate change knowledge and its impacts to a wider public. This one-day pre-conference event supports ICIMOD's focus on the crucial role of youth in climate action. The event will be jointly facilitated by ICIMOD, the Himalayan Climate Initiative (HCI), and the Climate Alliance of Himalayan Communities (CAHC).

The main objectives of this youth forum are to:

- Sensitize youth to improved understanding of climate science, climate change solutions and the IPCC process;
- Foster networking among young researchers for better collaboration, integration, and innovation in addressing climate change; and
- Empower youth to inspire others and take climate action in their own communities.

Session coordinator

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Programme Details

Time	Agenda
08:45 – 9:15	Registration
09:15 – 10:30	<p>Opening and Keynote Presentation Session: Inspiring Youth for Climate Actions</p> <p>Moderated by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Udayan Mishra, Knowledge Management and Networking Officer, ICIMOD - Ms Bivishika Bhandari, Head of Marketing and Outreach, HCI <p>Introduction and Overview of the Event (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Laurie Vasily, Head of Knowledge Management and Communication, ICIMOD <p>Welcome Remarks with Introduction to ICIMOD and HKH (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr David Molden, Director General, ICIMOD <p>Keynote Address on Youth, Mountain and Climate Change (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Basanta Shrestha, Director of Strategic Cooperation, ICIMOD <p>Welcome Remarks: IPCC Mandate, Structure and History (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Jonathan Lynn, Head of Communications and Media Relations, IPCC <p>Welcome Remarks: The Great Himalaya Trail Story (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Shilshila Acharya, CEO, HCI <p>Video: IPCC Fifth Assessment Report - Synthesis Report (15 min)</p>
10:30 – 11:00	Group Photo and Tea Break
11:00 – 12:40	<p>Thematic Presentation Session</p> <p>Climate Change and Impacts in the HKH (20 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Eklabya Sharma, Deputy Director General, ICIMOD <p>Geo-Information for Climate Actions (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Birendra Bajracharya, Regional Programme Manager MENRIS, ICIMOD <p>Connecting the Dots: Youth, Gender and Climate Change (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr Chanda Gurung Goodrich, Senior Gender Specialist, ICIMOD <p>Youth for Climate Action - Why and How? (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Shilshila Acharya, CEO, HCI <p>Youth in Action – HOPE Campaign (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Prem Bahadur Bohara, CEO, CAHC <p>Q&A Session (20 min)</p> <p>Moderated by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Udayan Mishra, Knowledge Management and Networking Officer, ICIMOD - Ms Bivishika Bhandari, Head of Marketing and Outreach, HCI
12:40 – 13:40	Lunch

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13:40 – 16:45	<p data-bbox="347 207 675 240">Youth Energizing Session</p> <p data-bbox="347 263 899 295">Video: Mountain and Climate Change (SDC) (6 min)</p> <p data-bbox="357 315 646 344">Introduction session (30 min)</p> <ul data-bbox="393 347 984 376" style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderated by Mr Prem Bahadur Bohara, CEO, CAHC <p data-bbox="357 393 971 422">Group discussion: Identifying Community Issues (1 hr 20 min)</p> <ul data-bbox="393 425 1208 454" style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderated by Ms Bivishika Bhandari, Head of Marketing and Outreach, HCI <p data-bbox="357 470 971 500">Group discussion: Poster Format Proposed Solutions (30 min)</p> <ul data-bbox="393 503 1208 532" style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderated by Ms Bivishika Bhandari, Head of Marketing and Outreach, HCI <p data-bbox="357 548 1380 610">Group Exercise: Compiling List of Problems, Solutions and Creating A Proposal/Letter to Present in the “Media Workshop” (30 min)</p> <ul data-bbox="393 613 984 643" style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderated by Mr Prem Bahadur Bohara, CEO, CAHC
16:45 – 17:00	<p data-bbox="347 652 506 685">Closing Session</p>