



#ICVAconference2021

## ICVA VIRTUAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE

25 & 26 MAY 2021

CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT AND  
HUMANITARIAN ACTION:

HOW CAN NGOs MITIGATE AND ADAPT?

### Annual Conference – Agenda

#### DAY 1: Tuesday, 25 May 2021

<p><b>09:30 – 09:40</b></p>	<p><b>Introductory session and welcome:</b> Grounding the discussions on climate-environment-humanitarian action <b>Mr. Ignacio Packer</b>, Executive Director, International Council of Voluntary Agencies (ICVA)</p>
<p><b>09:40 – 11:00</b></p>	<p><b>Session 1: Scene!</b> <b>Setting the scene: the intersection of climate-environment-humanitarian Framing of the challenges and opportunities.</b> This session will frame the Annual Conference discussions to analyse and better understand the intersection between humanitarian-climate and environment action bringing perspectives from a variety of actors on the issues, challenges and some of the ways forward on policy and practice. <b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr. Solomon Bhaghabhonerano</b>, Founder and Executive Director, Live in Green Live in Wealth Youth Initiative and Representative of the Global Refugee Youth Network (GRYN)</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Sinead Walsh</b>, Ireland’s Climate Envoy</li> <li>• <b>Ms. Tasneem Essop</b>, Executive Director, Climate Action Network International (CAN-I)</li> <li>• <b>Ms. Magnhild Vasset</b>, Executive Director Field Operations Department, Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr. Paul Knox Clarke</b>, Principal, Climate and Humanitarian Crisis Initiative</li> </ul>
<p><b>BREAK</b></p>	
<p><b>14:00 – 15:30</b></p>	<p><b>Session 2: Lights!</b> <b>Showcasing initiatives: A dynamic World Café session</b> This session will spotlight and showcase 10 ongoing initiatives that are supporting organisations on climate and environment concerns in humanitarian action. We will look at best practices, guidance, tools etc. which will aim to support NGOs and partners to mitigate and adapt in order to overcome some of the challenges faced in the sector.  Presenters of each breakout group are below, choose a group to join!</p>

<p><b>Session 2: Breakout groups</b></p> <p><b>14:00-15:30</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. The Climate and Environment Charter for humanitarian organisations: From words to action</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Ms. Catherine-Lune Grayson</b>, Policy Advisor, ICRC</li> <li>○ <b>Mr. Maarten van Aalst</b>, Director, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre</li> <li>○ <b>Mr. David Fisher</b>, Manager, International and Public Relations, National Society, Policy and Knowledge Development Department, IFRC</li> <li>○ <b>Mr. Bruno Jochum</b>, Director, The Climate Action Accelerator</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>2. The Nexus environmental assessment tool</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Ms. Theresa Dearden</b>, Environmental Analyst, UN Environment</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>3. Communication that works: Humanitarians and the climate crisis</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Ms. Jessica Lees</b>, Leader, Humanitarian Advisory Group</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>4. Life cycle analysis as a tool in greening humanitarian assistance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Mr. George Foden</b>, Humanitarian Programme Lead, BRE Trust</li> <li>○ <b>Mr. Charles John Kelly</b>, Freelance Disaster Management Consultant</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>5. Enhancing the evidence base on planned relocation as a strategy for climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Ms. Sanjula Weerasinghe</b> and <b>Ms. Erica Bower</b>, Affiliates of the Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law at UNSW, members of the Advisory Committee of the Platform of Disaster Displacement</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>6. Community strengthening through anticipatory action: The Anticipation Hub and humanitarian mapping</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Ms. Carly Redhead</b>, Head of Partnerships, HOT</li> <li>○ <b>Ms. Lydia Cumiskey</b>, Partnerships and Policy Consultant, Anticipation Hub</li> <li>○ <b>Ms. Cornelia Scholz</b>, Junior Researcher, Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>7. Thinking Beyond Response: Tearfund’s approach to environmental and economic sustainability in humanitarian work</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Mr. Liu Liu</b>, Strategic Project Manager, Tearfund</li> <li>○ <b>Mr. James Rana Baidaya</b>, Asia Regional Disaster Management &amp; Capacity Strengthening Coordinator, Tearfund</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>8. Medair early warning system and DRR in Madagascar</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Mr. Ernesto Lorda</b>, Head of Madagascar, Bangladesh and Yemen Country Programmes, Medair</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>9. Pathways to resilience: innovative approaches to integrate resilience and climate adaptation bridging humanitarian and development agendas</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Ms. Brigitte Rudram</b>, Resilience Specialist, Plan International</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>10. How to address climate change and environmental degradation in EU’s humanitarian action: what the new communication says</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Ms. Gaëlle Nizery</b>, Team Leader for Prevention and Preparedness Global Issues, DG ECHO</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
<p><b>15:30</b></p>	<p><b>END DAY 1</b></p>

## DAY 2: Wednesday, 26 May 2021

<b>09:30 – 11:00</b>	<p><b>Session 3: Camera!</b></p> <p><b>Zoom-in from global to local</b></p> <p>This session will focus on the localization and funding linkages when working in climate-environment-humanitarian contexts. It will also discuss what action and change is required from NGOs, donors and partners alike to share risks to mitigate and adapt the way we work.</p> <p><b>Keynote address:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Mr. Jagan Chapagain</b>, Secretary General, International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)</li></ul> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Ms. Soraia Sadat</b>, Project Manager, Women's Activities &amp; Social Services Association, Herat, Afghanistan</li><li>• <b>Mr. Amadou Diallo</b>, Disaster Risk Financing Regional Coordinator, Africa, START Network</li><li>• <b>Ms. Praneeta Kapur</b>, Country Advisor, American Jewish World Service (AJWS), India</li><li>• <b>Ms. Tiziana Bonzon</b>, Manager, Climate, Migration and Resilience Disasters, Climate and Crises Department, IFRC</li></ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Ms. Stephanie Yousef</b>, MENA Deputy Regional Representative, ICVA</li></ul>
<b>BREAK</b>	
<b>14:00 – 15:30</b>	<p><b>Session 4: Action!</b></p> <p><b>Towards collective and collaborative change</b></p> <p>This session will look at how different sectors could work together to mobilise collective and collaborative action addressing the impact of climate and environment change on humanitarian action.</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Ms. Adelina Kamal</b>, Executive Director of the ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance (AHA Centre)</li><li>• <b>Mr. Robert Mardini</b>, Director-General, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)</li><li>• <b>Mr. Ilkka Salmi</b>, Director of the Disaster Preparedness and Prevention Directorate, European Commission, Belgium</li><li>• <b>Mr. Pallawish Kumar</b>, Founder and CEO of Youth 4 Climate Action Projects &amp; Youth Advocate for UNESCAP, EU Climate pact Ambassador and YOUNGO Representative</li><li>• <b>Ms. Jane Backhurst</b>, Christian Aid and ICVA Chair</li></ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Mr. Ignacio Packer</b>, Executive Director, ICVA</li></ul>
	<b>Cut! Wrap up and close</b>