

REGIONAL CROSS-LEARNING WORKSHOP

DELIVERING SOLUTIONS: ACCELERATING GENDER-RESPONSIVE CLIMATE ACTION IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

3-5 March 2025 | Pullman Bangkok Hotel G, Gallery 1-2 (36/F)

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March 3, 2025: Scene setting and review of normative process

Time (Bangkok Time, GMT+7)	Agenda / Objectives	Moderator / Speakers
8:30 - 9:00	Registration	
9:00 - 9:15	Welcome and overview of the agenda	Bindu Bhandari, Gender-Responsive Climate Action Programme Specialist, UN Women
9:15 - 9:25	Opening remarks	Maria Holtsberg, Deputy Regional Director, UN Women
9:25-9:30	Group Photo	
9:30 - 10:15	Icebreaker: Climate Speed Networking	Bindu Bhandari, Gender-Responsive Climate Action Programme Specialist, UN Women
10:15 - 10:30	Coffee Break	
10:30 - 11:00	Keynote presentation on Road to COP30: Key Reflections and Priorities Ahead	Julie Amoroso-Garbin, Regional Lead, UNFCCC-RCC Asia Pacific
11:00 - 12:00	Opening plenary on reflection on COP29 and their implications on gender equality in global, regional and national contexts	Moderator: Amy Reggers, Regional Programme Specialist, UN Women Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> H.E. Adao Soares Barbosa, Ambassador at Large for Climate Affairs and National Focal Point for UNFCCC, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Timor Leste Shila Gnyawali, Forest Officer, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Nepal Jared Huntley, Assistant Director, Department of Climate Change, Energy, Environment and Water, Australia

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12:00 - 13:00	Lunch	
13:00 - 13:15	Country Case Study of the Philippines' NDC Gender Action Plan	Ann Hazel Javier, OiC Chief, Strategic Alliance Division, Department of Natural Resources, Government of Philippines
13:15 - 14:15	Session I: NDC 3.0 Policy Stocktake	Facilitators: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Juhi Bansal, NDC and LT-LEDS Specialist and Regional Coordinator, UNFCCC RCC Asia Pacific • Amy Reggers, Regional Programme Specialist, UN Women • Athena Denise Galao, Portfolio Lead Officer in Charge, Humanitarian, DRR, and Climate Change, UN Women
14:15 - 14:30	Country Case Study of Bangladesh Climate Change Gender Action Plan (ccGAP)	Jesmin Nahar, Senior Assistant Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of Bangladesh
14:30 - 14:45	Coffee break	
14:45 - 15:00	Session II: Review of the Gender Action Plan (GAP)	Wiebke Bender, Gender Programme Officer, UNFCCC
15:00 - 16:30	Thematic Group Discussion on GAP Priority Areas	Wiebke Bender, Gender Programme Officer, UNFCCC
16:30 - 17:00	Wrap-up day I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selected country representatives share their key takeaways from Day I

March 4, 2025: Catalysing finance to develop plans into action

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9:00 - 9:15	Check-in and review of Day 1	Bindu Bhandari, Gender-Responsive Climate Action Programme Specialist, UN Women
9:15-9:40	Scene Setting Presentation: Gender-Responsive Climate Finance	Parimita Mohanty, Programme Manager, UNEP
9:40-10:00	Climate Finance 101: Understanding the Fundamentals	Debapriya Roy, Team Lead, Implementation Unit, Climate Finance Sub-Division, UNFCCC Secretariat
10:00-10:45	Breakout Group Discussion: Identify country-specific needs and priorities for gender-responsive finance	Facilitator: Debapriya Roy, Team Lead, Implementation Unit, Climate Finance Sub-Division, UNFCCC Secretariat
10:45-11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00-12:00	Panel Discussion: Strengthening Public Finance and Financing Frameworks for NDC Implementation	Moderator: Carolina Merighi, Climate Finance Specialist, UNEP Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nguyen Quynh Phuong, Senior Specialist, International Cooperation Department, State Bank of Vietnam • Ahmed Zubaer Mahbub, Joint Director, Bangladesh Bank • Dipti Agarwal, South Asia Lead, Impact Partners, IIX
12:00-13:00	Lunch Break	

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13:00-14:00	Case Studies: Inclusive Financing Models for Climate-Resilient Livelihoods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allan Robert I. Sicat, Executive Director, Microfinance Council of the Philippines, Inc. Shailesh Vickram Singh, Founder, Go Massive, Massive Earth Foundation Laura Alsenas, Executive Director, NexusforDevelopment
14:00-14:40	New Collective Quantified Goal (NCQG) on Climate Finance	Debapriya Roy, Team Lead, Implementation Unit, Climate Finance Sub-Division, UNFCCC Secretariat
14:40-15:00	Breakout Group Discussion: Identifying interests, collaboration and synergies	Facilitator: Parimita Mohanty, Programme Manager, UNEP
15:00-15:15	Coffee Break	
15:15-16:15	Plenary Report Back: Country Group Presentations	
16:15-16:45	Wrap Up Day II and Closing Reflections	Selected country representatives share their key takeaways from Day I
18:00-20:00	Dinner at <i>The Ballroom 38, 38/F</i>	

March 5, 2025: Building inclusive institutional arrangements for effective climate action

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9:00 - 9:20	Check-in and review of Day II	Bindu Bhandari, Gender-Responsive Climate Action Programme Specialist, UN Women
9:20-9:30	Scene setting presentation on effective insititutional arrangement	Wiebke Bender, Gender Programme Officer, UNFCCC
9:30-10:00	Country Case Study of Cambodia's Gender Mainstreaming Action Group (GMAG)	H.E. Lina Ngin, Secretary, Gender Mainstreaming Working Group of Ministry of Environment, Cambodia
10:00-10:45	Panel discussion on Enablers to Inclusive Governance Mechanisms in Climate Action: Lessons from Practice	Moderator: Vijay Kesari, Gender and Climate Action Specialist, UN Women Fiji MCO anelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vaela Devesi, Director, Ministry of Women, Youth, Children and Family Affairs, Solomon Islands • Wukir Rukmi, Deputy Director, Climate Change Negotiation, Ministry of Environment, Indonesia • Chu Thi Thanh Huong, Deputy Head of Division, Department of Climate Change, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Viet Nam • Prakriti Koirala, Researcher, ClimAdapt Nepal
10:45-11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00-12:00	Group Discussion on Overcoming Barriers: Addressing Challenges in Institutional Mechanisms and Coordination	Facilitated By: Athena Denise Galao, Portfolio Lead Officer in Charge, Humanitarian, DRR and Climate Change, UN Women
12:00-13:00	Lunch Break	
13:00-13:15	Activity on the Coordination Web	Athena Denise Galao, Portfolio Lead Officer in Charge, Humanitarian, DRR and Climate Change, UN Women

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13:15-13:30	Presentation on the Role of Regional Collaboration in Gender-Responsive Climate Action	Tshewang Dorji T., Director, Environment and Climate Change Division, BIMSTEC
13:30-14:15	Panel Discussion on Inclusive Stakeholder Engagement: Policy to Implementation	<p>Moderator: Menka Goundan, Programme Director, ARROW</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ethel Francis Namuri, Media Manager, Climate Change and Development Authority, PNG Ayu Anastasia, Women Research Institute, Indonesia Rong Phaltevay UNG, Breakthrough Movement, Cambodia Swathi S. Senan, Assistant Director, Ministry of Forest, Environment and Climate Change, India
14:15-14:30	Coffee Break	
14:30-14:45	Presentation on Opportunity of MRV for Gender-Responsive Climate Action	Wiebke Bender, Gender Programme Officer, UNFCCC
14:45:15:00	Country Case Study Presentation on Sri Lanka's Biennial Transparency Report and its Gender Considerations	Priyanka Patebendige, Development Officer, Ministry of Environment, Sri Lanka
15:00-15:45	Workshop Summary and Reflection Sharing	Facilitated By: Athena Denise Galao, Portfolio Lead Officer in Charge, Humanitarian, DRR and Climate Change, UN Women and Parimita Mohanty, Programme Manager, UNEP
15:45-16:15	Certificate Distribution (for in-person participants)	
16:15-16:30	Closing Remarks	Marlene Nilsson, Deputy Regional Director, UNEP

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