

# S164

Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E)

## VENUE

2.63

## TIME

Tuesday

14h15 - 16h00

## ORGANISER/S

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## CHAIR

**James Butler, Commonwealth Scientific  
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James Butler is a sustainability scientist based with CSIRO in Australia. He applies participatory action research to analyse complex development problems in the Asia-Pacific region, with a focus on livelihoods and climate resilient development. He aims to generate capacity for innovation and change, and to evaluate the impacts of this process.

## RAPPORTEUR

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# Social learning and evaluating its impacts in participatory adaptation planning

## SESSION SUMMARY

This session will address the two central questions of:

1. How do you evaluate learning in participatory planning processes, and
2. How do you measure whether this learning has any subsequent impact on adaptation?

The presenters will share their experiences using different approaches and tools for evaluating the learning and impacts of participatory adaptation planning processes in Africa, Asia, Europe, the Pacific, and North and South America. These short presentations will be structured to answer the session's two central questions. Second, an interactive voting exercise will be used to engage participants in sharing their experiences and perceptions.

## SPEAKERS

**Erin Bohensky, CSIRO Land and Water, Australia**

*What do scenarios achieve, and how do we know?: Assessing stakeholder perceptions and learning in a participatory adaptation planning process*

**Philip Thornton, CGIAR Research Program on Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS), Kenya**

*Evaluating learning in methods to scale up agricultural interventions*

**Chelsea Combest-Friedman, NOAA**

*Evaluating Participatory and Process-based approaches in climate adaptation - Examples from a regional applied research teams*

**Edmond Totin, ASSAR Project, Universite Nationale d'Agriculture du Benin**

*Can scenario planning catalyse transformational change? Evaluating a climate change policy case study in Mali*