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Cities and Urban areas

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15h00 - 17h00

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Chris Zevenbergen is professor at the Water Engineering Department of UNESCO-IHE and at TuDelft, The Netherlands. He worked as a researcher on various environmental issues related to the building industry, such as environmental impact assessments, product development, emission modeling, testing procedures, building codes and guidelines in the 1980s followed by 20 years international research and consultancy in environmental engineering and water management. In the past 15 years he has accumulated extensive national and international experience with integrated approaches to manage floods in urban environments. He has a strong affinity with the ecological, socio-economic, institutional aspects of urban planning and water management.

RAPPORTEUR

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Transnational City-to-City Learning to accelerate urban adaptation.

SESSION SUMMARY

Responding to the challenge of climate adaptation and seizing the opportunities places complex demands on cities including decision makers, city planners, engineers, architects and citizens. These demands and the rapid changes occurring in cities, call for accelerated learning through 'learning from each other' (peer learning). Transnational cooperation between cities is facilitated by a novel approach of peer learning: transnational City-to-City learning. But what drives city-to-city learning and what are the enabling conditions? Who will take the lead? This session aims to bring together three active clusters of city networks from Europe, Arab countries and South Africa.

SPEAKERS

Eleanor Chapman, ICLEI - Local Governments For Sustainability, Germany

Co-creating climate adaptation responses in Europe: shared lessons from the RESIN project

Judith Rodriguez, Harvard University, United States of America

Cities and Water: Sustainability and Resilience of Natural Infrastructure Approaches to Flood Risk

Paola Sakai, University of Leeds, UK

Factors enabling city-to-city cooperation for climate change adaptation

Sergio Antonio Ruiz, Universidad Andina Simon Bolivar, Ecuador

Towards promoting urban governance to make climate resilience intermediate cities in Latin America

Dennis Bours, Independent Evaluation Office of the GEF (IEO), United States of America

Early lessons from the Global Environment Facility's Sustainable Cities Integrated Approach Pilot (IAP) Program

Kornelia Iipinge, University Of Namibia, Namibia

Harare, Lusaka and Windhoek City Learning Exchange Visits

Sebastiaan van Herk

C2C learning to successfully implement and maintain Blue Green Infrastructures in cities across Europe