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TIME

Tuesday

14h15 - 16h00

ORGANISER/S

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Ingrid Gevers, Wageningen Centre for Development Innovation

Ingrid Gevers is a capacity development expert at Wageningen Centre for Development Innovation. She designs and facilitates learning trajectories in climate change, exploring the interface with disaster risk management, fisheries, water & food security. She likes to inspire people to change their practices through constructive dialogue and reflection. The development of tailor made innovative training material, games and tools are central in her work.

RAPPORTEUR

Hans Bolscher, Trinomics

How to Train for Better Access to Climate Adaptation Finance

SESSION SUMMARY

The future costs of climate change adaptation are huge. To access climate finance a more business/finance-oriented approach and capacity to formulate bankable projects is required.

This session connects funders with potential project owners and beneficiaries (e.g. local governments, civil society organisations, universities, research institutes, SMEs) in a dialogue to better understand each other's interests and the problems they face in relation to climate adaptation finance. These learnings will support the design of the 'climate adaptation finance' course; link the training content and process to the needs, identify who to cooperate with and explore interest of funders to boost adaptation finance.

PANELLISTS/ FACILITATORS

Leigh Cobban, ACDI, South Africa

Leigh Cobban manages education projects at the African Climate and Development Initiative (ACDI) at UCT. Her work includes overseeing the existing student and professional programs; supporting new curriculum development; and building ACDI's understanding of best practice in climate change education in Africa. Recently Leigh has worked with others at ACDI, UCT's Graduate School of Development Policy and Practice, and SouthSouthNorth, to conceptualise a training programme that builds the capacity of African countries to access the Green Climate Fund.

Hans Bolscher, Trinomics, EU

Hans (1960) is a Dutch economist and senior consultant in the field of climate, climate finance and (renewable) energy. Today, one of the leading experts in climate finance and climate finance tracking. He is the former director Climate and Industry at the Ministry of Environment and former Director at Economic Affairs at the Dutch government, as such responsible for national and international climate and renewable energy policy development. Hans has a long background in international development, amongst others as former founder of FairTrade (FLO). Since over 25 years he is deeply involved in the discussions on environment, climate, energy and finance related issues.

Hans has been leading very relevant climate finance tracking projects for the government of France, Belgium, Denmark and the Netherlands. He works in close cooperation with the OECD and the Research Collaborative on climate finance. He was project director for the ground breaking EU project "Shifting Finance to Climate Finance". He has taught on climate finance in a variety of settings. Hans is currently working a senior partner at Trinomics. Hans is often asked to chair and/or moderate conferences and workshops. Next to fluency in Dutch, English, German and French, he has a working knowledge of Portuguese and Spanish. Hans is also Chair of the non-executive board for 2 renewable energy companies and director of a sustainable investment fund.