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## **#ADAPTNOW - CLIMATE ADAPTATION DAY**

**17.9.2020 (10h00-16h30)**

**Our climate is changing. Our world is getting warmer and the impact on societies and sectors is growing. The world urgently needs to enhance its ambitions and take bold action to tackle the climate emergency.**

**As the world rebounds from the COVID-19 pandemic, there is a unique moment to build back better and accelerate an actionable agenda on adaptation action for the transformational decade towards 2030. The need to adapt to new climate extremes is driving actions: to connect challenges to solutions on the ground.**

**The #AdaptNow climate adaptation day brings together different key actors into four discussions:**

1. Setting the scene on adaptation
2. Making the best of digital solutions for climate adaptation and entrepreneurship
3. Funding bankable business cases for climate adaptation: the Dutch Fund for Climate and development
4. Youth Take-Over: the role of youth in global climate adaptation

### **Programme:**

**Moderator:** Khanti Payi, Economist and Founding Director at Nascence Advisory and Research

### **10:00-11:30 Setting the scene: Adapt now**

- H.E. Mr. Jan Huesken, deputy Ambassador of the Netherlands Embassy with opening remarks
- Mr Ronald Wormgoor, Director of International Affairs for the Ministry of Infrastructure & Water of the Netherlands on the Climate Adaptation Summit (Dutch Ministry of Infrastructure & Water) on the outlines of the summit in January 2021

- Mr Sibonelo Mbanjwa, Director: Climate Change Adaptation-Natural Resources, Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries of South Africa on the national priorities for South Africa for adaptation, including the new strategy
- Joep Verhaegen, Global Center on Adaptation on the developments of the Global Center on Adaptation and the possible collaborations with SA
- Comments from DIRCO & SAILA youth representatives
- Q&A

### **11:30-12:30 Making the best of digital solutions for climate adaptation and entrepreneurship**

- Mr. Liviu Stribat, deputy Head of Unit, European Commission, DG CLIMA on the EU adaptation strategy experience
- Dr. Freja Vamborg introducing the EU satellite-based open-access datasets COPERNICUS Climate Change Service (C3S) - European Centre for Medium Range Weather Forecasts
- Mrs Julie Berkmanns (VITO Belgium) + Mr. Gerardo Lopez Saldana (Assimila UK) - examples of C3S applications
- Discussion with: Pr. Moses Azong Cho, Research group leader precision agriculture, CSIR

### **13:00-14:30 Opportunities for accelerating adaptation through the Dutch Fund for Climate and Development (DFCD)**

- Welcome
- Mr Aart Mulder, FMO portfolio manager, Introduction on DFCD
- Keiron Brand, Bankable water solutions Lead - Opportunities and examples from SA by WWF
- Mr. Kevin Anderson, Opportunities and examples from SA by Climate fund manager
- Mr Henk Van Der Hyde, Sustainability coordinator Danone South Africa
- Q&A & Discussion

### **15:00-16:30 Youth Take-over: the role of youth in global climate adaptation**

- H.E. Mr Marcel Beukeboom, Climate Envoy - Kingdom of the Netherlands: Welcome and opening remarks
- Ms Ditebogo Lebea, Ms Ndoni Mccunu, Ms Tyler Booth, Ms Celiwe Shivambo, Ms Fee Kirsch: Setting the scene – the state of Climate adaptation in South Africa and the role of youth in global climate adaptation + An Intersectional Discussion: Imagining a more sustainable and climate resilient South Africa
- H.E. Mr Jan Huesken, Thank you remarks and closure of session

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