





# IMPORTANT DATES

Submission of abstract 31 October 2008

Acceptance of abstract 15 December 2008

Application for participation (self-funded) 31 December 2008

Arrive in Dhaka 21 February 2009

Field visit 22 and 23 February 2009

Workshop 24-26 February 2009

Depart Dhaka 27 February 2009

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# COMMUNITY BASED ADAPTATION TO

The 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Community Based Adaptation (CBA) to Climate Change will be held in Dhaka, Bangladesh in February 2009, two years after the second conference. The conference will consist of a two day field visit to community based adaptation projects in different ecosystems, and three days of interactive discussions on different thematic areas.

## **AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

The primary aim of the conference is to:

 Share the latest developments in adaptation planning and practices, priority sectors and measures at different levels and disseminate knowledge among stakeholders and actors.

The specific objectives are:

- Bring different stakeholders and practitioners to share and discuss knowledge of Community Based Adaptation (CBA) planning and practices from different parts of the developing world;
- Capture the latest experiences and learning from CBA planning and practices around the developing world;
- Enhance capacity of the practitioners to help the most vulnerable groups and people in improving livelihoods in developing countries;
- Share lessons learnt to facilitate integration of climate change into national and international development programmes;
- Disseminate lessons learnt at the conference through conference proceedings and immediate conference summary.

# **FIELD VISIT**

On 22 and 23 February 2009, all participants will go (in several batches) to different field sites in Bangladesh to see CBA activities in different vulnerable ecosystems (e.g. flood-prone, river island, drought-prone, salinity-prone areas, etc.)

# **CONFERENCE - Interactive Discussion**

Main conference will be held on 24-26 February 2009. The discussions will be divided into a number of thematic areas and there will be a number of parallel sessions. The identified thematic areas are:

- Evidences of Change: Impacts at local to global level, understanding adaptation planning and practices to climate change;
- **CBA in Practice in Sectors and Regions:** water, agriculture, biodiversity, human health, infrastructure, coastal zone, dry land, drought, mountain, floodplain;
- Knowledge, Education and Awareness on Climate Change: Challenges and opportunities of mainstreaming adaptation;
- Partnerships in Adaptation: Global, Regional, National and Local Level.

# **PARTICIPANTS**

The workshop is open to anyone interested in community based adaptation including policy-makers, non-government organizations, research and policy institutes, academics, plus practitioners with grassroots experience of adaptation projects.

Attendance is limited to 100 participants. Self funded participants can apply till 31 December 2008. Participants (from developing countries only) requiring funding should send abstract with a request for funding.

#### **ABSTRACT**

Abstract should include title, author(s) with full contact address, and summary (maximum 200 words) of the paper to be sent by 31 October 2008.



## **REGISTRATION FEE**

Registration fee for participation is 250 Euros or 400 US Dollars, which will cover workshop materials, field visit and all meals during workshop (excluding accommodation).

To register your participation, please contact the Workshop Secretariat (by email if possible) at:

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