PUTTING COMMUNITIES AT THE FOREFRONT OF CLIMATE ACTION

Saturday, 8 December 2018, 15.00-16.30
Benelux/EIB pavilion (Zone E)

The Challenge: How to bridge separate climate and sustainable development implementation processes that put communities at the forefront of climate action?

The Opportunity: By signing and ratifying the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, the Paris Climate Agreement, the Sustainable Development Goals, and the New Urban Agenda, national governments and key stakeholders have committed to increase their investments with regards to disaster risk reduction, climate adaptation and implementation of the SDGs.

The Solution: The Partners for Resilience (PfR) promote the Integrated Risk Management (IRM) approach which incorporates climate change adaptation, disaster risk reduction and ecosystem management and restoration, aiming at increasing resilience of the most vulnerable people in the 10 countries where PfR is active. In this session, PfR will share inspirational examples of how southern leadership has resulted in effective vertical and horizontal coherence, showing how the IRM approach is leading change in different contexts. Jointly, we would like to further explore effective modalities to strengthen synergies among the different frameworks, through multi-stakeholder partnerships, putting local communities at the centre.

Moderator
- Bart Weijs, Partners for Resilience Coordinator, CARE Netherlands

Keynote Speakers & Presentations
- Carmen Wilson, CARE Guatemala: Bridging the gap between government institutions for an integrated approach
- Karounga Keita, Wetlands International Mali: Building community coalitions to safeguard wetlands and their ecosystems
- Cordaid Philippines: Short film presenting perspectives of local stakeholders on integrated analysis, cooperation and action
- Isaac Kabongo, ECO-Uganda: Bringing CSOs and communities on board in the National Climate Change Bill process