

16:00 – 17:30 UN-Water Panel workshop: "Water for Life: Where is Water in the Climate Change Debate?" (Room F/G).

Moderator/Facilitator: DW

Water is the primary medium through which climate change influences the earth's ecosystem and therefore people's livelihoods and welfare. What water-related climate change impacts can already be felt? Who is most affected? How can developing countries adapt to climate change? What does climate change adaptation imply?

The discussion will include experienced journalists and experts from the United Nations as well as from stakeholder organizations to examine how communication can influence issues surrounding water and climate change. What is the best way to convey the urgency of action in the communication of climate change adaptation, which is centrally about water and sustainable development and affects mainly developing countries and the poor? This workshop will discuss the role of the media in communicating the urgency of climate change adaptation and water as a determining factor.

Panelists

- **David Coates** (Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity)
- Felix Dodds (Stakeholderforum)
- Leslie Malone (World Meteorological Organization)
- Sergio A. Zelaya-Bonilla (United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification)