



Partnership for Environment and Disaster Risk Reduction (PEDRR) Newsletter

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News



Commemorating the International Day for the Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystem

Audrey Azoulay, Director-General of the UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), made the appeal to support Mangroves in her [message](#) for the [International Day for the Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystem](#), observed on 26 July. Azoulay states that the 'health of humans has always depended on the health of the planet, but in today's changing world, the importance of mangrove ecosystems is all too clear. Yet it is estimated that some countries lost more than 40% of their mangroves between 1980 and 2005, often due to coastal development'.

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Nature is an economic winner for COVID-19 recovery

Responding to the COVID-19 crisis offers the world an opportunity to chart a better future. Nature-based Solutions are not a silver bullet, but they can help address immediate needs related to employment and economic growth, while contributing to many other societal benefits and, importantly, strengthening our resilience to the other challenges ahead.

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Can island states survive the climate crisis?

Small island nations across the world are bearing the brunt of the climate crisis, and their problems have been accentuated by the COVID-19 pandemic, which has severely affected their economies, and their capacity to protect themselves from possible extinction. We take a look at some of the many challenges they face, and how they could be overcome.

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Strengthening climate resilience through better flood management

Extreme flood events have recently hit several parts of Asia and Europe. Despite the varying contexts, the climate change connection is evident in China and India, as well as in Germany, Belgium, and the Netherlands.

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Events

BIODIVERSITY MEANS CLIMATE

4th August 2021

15:00- 17:15 Hours (IST)

LEAD THE GREEN CHANGE

European Union

TEEB
The Economics of Ecosystems & Biodiversity

UN environment programme

United Nations
Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Biodiversity Means Climate

Biodiversity loss and the climate crisis are interdependent and they exacerbate each other. Addressing climate change without addressing biodiversity is therefore not possible. To overcome these challenges, proactive steps must be taken for biodiversity conservation, climate change mitigation, and adaptation, seeking to realize synergies and co-benefits from planning and action.

Date: 4 August 2021, 11:30 - 13:15 Hours (CEST)

Find more information [here](#)

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Video

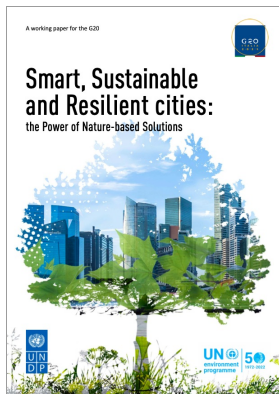


The 2021 RISK award recognizes Vietnamese women fighting climate change

The [RISK Award](#) has been set up with the Munich Re Foundation to help improve risk reduction and disaster management across the world. The project 'Strong roots, strong women' won first place for its inspirational work in empowering women living on the coast in central Vietnam to take part and lead Nature-based Solutions that reduce disaster risk.

[Watch Here](#)

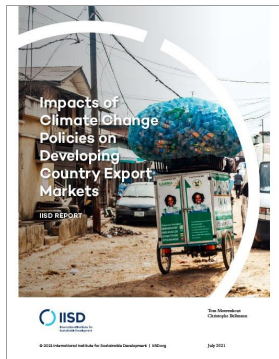
Publications



Smart, sustainable and resilient cities: the power of Nature-based Solutions

This report, produced by UNEP in close collaboration with the Italian Presidency of the G20, investigates the potential of Nature-based Solutions (NbS) to help build smart, sustainable, and resilient cities, drawing from more than a decade of research and experience from G20 countries and beyond. It offers an overview of the best practices of NbS implementation in cities around the world, and a set of guiding principles to improve territorial governance and establish multi-level governance frameworks to increase the impact and coherence of policies and private investments.

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Impacts of climate change policies on developing country export markets

Climate change policies including net-zero commitments, green new deals, and circular economy plans often combine carbon-reduction objectives with a set of policy and market interventions needed to reach those goals. When implemented, these policies are likely to impact international trade, and potentially hamper the development of lower-income countries. This report takes stock of such potential impacts on goods exports of sub-Saharan African countries, least developed countries (LDCs), and low-income economies.

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Job Opportunities

Climate Finance Specialist

Associate Programme Officer

(Junior)

Organization: The Basel Agency for Sustainable Energy (BASE)
Duty Station: Basel, Switzerland
Deadline for Application: 8 August 2021

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for Sustainability Assessment

Organization: UNU - United Nations University
Duty Station: Dresden, Germany
Deadline for Application: 15 August 2021

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Communication and Digital Content Assistant

Organization: United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)
Duty Station: Bonn, Nordrhein-Westfalen, Germany
Deadline for Application: 10 August 2021

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Campaign Officer (Climate & Trade)

Organization: Climate Action Network (CAN) Europe
Duty Station: Position is flexible (within the EU and UK)
Deadline for Application: 10 August 2021

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