



## FIFTH MEETING OF THE OECD TASK FORCE ON CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022

OECD Headquarters, La Muette, Paris  
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### BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVES OF THE MEETING

The OECD Task Force on Climate Change Adaptation (TFCCA) meets as part of the OECD Working Parties on Climate, Investment & Development (WPCID) as well as on Biodiversity, Water & Ecosystems (WPBWE). Both are part of the OECD Environment Policy Committee. The objective of the TFCCA is to advance countries' policy agendas in support of strengthening their resilience to climate change and climate variability and to promote concrete solutions and develop policy guidance on climate change adaptation.

The TFCCA aims to:

- a. Provide a platform for a focused discussion and advice on relevant outputs under the OECD's Programme of Work and Budget (PWB) on resilience and adaptation to climate change and climate variability;
- b. Provide a forum for the exchange of knowledge on the latest research and country practices on adapting to a changing climate;
- c. Identify and advise on the future development of data and indicators that can assist countries in assessing, benchmarking and monitoring progress in implementing national adaptation policies.

After a long Covid-19 related hiatus this TFCCA meeting will be held in-person again. At this meeting, participants will have the opportunity to hear about the interim outcomes of the key ongoing adaptation projects, hear about delegates' recent adaptation developments as well as discuss the priorities of work going forward in 2023-2024. The meeting will benefit once again from inspiring keynote and opening remarks.



## DAY 1 - MONDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2022

The meeting will be moderated by **Shawn L. Carter, Senior Scientist, U.S. Geological Survey's National Climate Adaptation Science Center, TFCCA Steering group member.**

### 10:15 – 10:30 **Welcoming remarks**

**Jo Tyndall**, OECD Environment Director will open the meeting, followed by

**Walid Oueslati**, Acting Head of Division, Environment, Transitions & Resilience, OECD Environment Directorate

### 10:30 – 11:00 **Horizon scanning: the future impacts of climate risks and the challenges for adaptation policy**

This session sheds light on selected issues related to climate change adaptation that may be increasingly well understood by academic researchers, but whose policy relevance is only just emerging. It aims at informing countries' continuous progress and advancements in their adaptation policy agendas. In this session Prof. Oppenheimer reflects on this long-standing and growing body of research on the impacts of extreme weather events and on the types of adaptation policies needed to address the challenges we should expect from future projected climate variability and extreme events.

The presentation will be followed by Q&A.

#### Speaker:

**Professor Michael Oppenheimer**, Albert G. Milbank Professor of Geosciences and International Affairs, Princeton University

#### Discussant:

**Walid Oueslati**, Acting Head of Division, Environment, Transitions & Resilience, OECD Environment Directorate

#### Questions to guide discussion:

- How do the presented issues resonate with concerns or priorities in your own country or organisation?

### 11:00 – 11:15 **Welcome coffee**

### 11:15 – 12:30 **Update from TFCCA members**

All members are invited to share and discuss with the group any significant recent developments within their countries or organisations on the work on climate change adaptation. This can include insights on new adaptation policy developments, any particular adaptation projects or studies, highlights of any good practices that are emerging. This may also include any takeaways members took away and that may be relevant for their work on adaptation going forward.



Speakers (each delegate has about 4-5 minutes)

- Canada
- Germany
- Japan
- New Zealand
- United Kingdom

Questions to guide discussion:

- Are there any particular achievements in terms of your adaptation work that you wish to share?
- Do you see areas for collaboration with the TFCCA Secretariat or other task force members?

12:30 – 13:45 *Lunch break*

13:45 – 15:00 **“Measuring progress in the implementation of national adaptation policies”**

The Secretariat will provide an update on project activities to date (PWB 2021-22), emerging results and timing of final outputs. This will include insights from the cross-country survey, the in-depth case studies as well as the expert meetings held over the past two years.

The Secretariat presentation will be followed by reflections from countries directly implicated in the work.

The discussion will inform future orientations for the adaptation measurement work in 2023-24.

OECD presentation (15 min):

**Catherine Gamper**, Team Leader, OECD Climate Change Adaptation

**Mikaela Rambali & Maïke Kirsch**, Adaptation Measurement, OECD Climate Change Adaptation

Country reflections: (15 min – 5 minute each)

- Korea
- United Kingdom

**Myriam Linster**, Principal Administrator, OECD

“Report back from the adaptation measurement session in the Working Party on Environmental Information (23 November 2022)” (

Orientation for future work on measurement in 2023-2024 (45 min):

- Would it be useful, and if so how, to help establish policy guidance on: designing measurement frameworks, setting adaptation objectives and targets, and supporting the development of adaptation indicators?
- Would it be useful to provide a “typology” of adaptation indicators and assess the extent of their use to support adaptation measurement?
- If a focus is chosen to narrow down the analysis, what angle might be most useful for your country such as sectoral-focused, local-level focus, hazard-focused (e.g. wildfires,



droughts)? Would more work on developing local to national measurement systems be useful?

- Do you want to be more actively involved in the ongoing activities, and if so how?

Background document:

*“Measuring progress in implementing national adaptation policies: scoping note”*

[\[EBV/EPOC/WPCID\(2022\)/25\]](#)

15:00 – 16:15

## **“Adapting to a changing climate in the management of wildfires”**

The Secretariat will provide an update on project activities to date, emerging results and timing of final outputs. This will include an overview of the global review of climate attribution impacts on wildfire risks as well as the observed and expected social, environmental and economic consequences from extreme fires. Emerging insights from the country focused studies will show the progress of countries in strengthening their resilience to extreme fires.

The Secretariat presentation will be followed by reflections from countries directly implicated in the work.

This will then give the basis to provide an outlook of future work: the elaboration of good practice principles, the presentation of the findings at the International Wildland Fire Conference in May 2023, as well as potential areas of work beyond May 2023.

OECD presentation (15 min):

**Catherine Gamper**, Team Leader, OECD Climate Change Adaptation  
**Marta Arbinolo**, Project lead

Country reflections (15 min – 5 minutes each):

- Portugal
- Greece
- Australia

Questions to guide discussion (45 min):

- What are the most useful outcomes/outputs of this work for you?
- Would you want the OECD to conduct further work on wildfires, and if so what focus would you propose?
- What particular focus is valuable for us to have when assessing and guiding adaptation for specific climate risks?
- Do you want to be more actively involved in OECD work on wildfires going forward?

16:15 – 16:30

**Coffee break**

16:30 – 18:00

## **Insights from other adaptation relevant OECD initiatives**

As in previous meetings, this session will provide an opportunity to take a deep dive and gain insights from other adaptation projects from across the OECD. This session will include presentations on the work on aligning climate finance with resilience, the joint programme on developing a territorial approach to climate resilience and action as well as new insights from



the work on losses and damages. Delegates are invited to provide feedback on the presentations during the session.

The presentations will be followed by Q&A.

Speakers (10-15 minutes each presentation):

“Aligning finance with climate resilience policy goals: exploring options to track and assess progress” [[ENV/EPOC/WPCID\(2022\)17](#)], **Raphael Jachnik & Jolien Noels, Finance for Climate Action, OECD**

“A territorial approach to climate action and resilience” [webpage](#) [[CFE/RDPC/URB\(2022\)10](#)], [[CFE/RDPC/URB\(2022\)13](#)], **Tadashi Matsumoto, Head of Unit, Cities, Urban Policies and Sustainable Urban Development Division, OECD**

“Climate Tipping points: insights for effective policy actions” [[ENV/EPOC/WPCID\(2022\)18/REV1](#)], **Marcia Rocha, Scientist & Team Lead Climate Quantitative Assessments, OECD**

“Climate change adaptation policies to foster resilience in agriculture” [[TAD/CA/APM/WP\(2022\)25](#)], **Kelly Cobourn, Agricultural Policy Analyst, Trade and Agriculture Directorate, OECD**

Questions to guide discussion (30 minutes):

- How are these ongoing projects and activities relevant for your work? How can they be improved to create more synergies with your work?

Background document:

“*Update on recent adaptation-relevant activities in the OECD*”

[[ENV/EPOC/WPCID/RD\(2022\)9](#)]

18:00 – 19:00 **COCKTAIL Espresso area**



## DAY 2 - TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2022

### 9:30 – 11:15 **Break-out group discussions on future work**

This session aims to further orientate the adaptation priorities of work during 2023-24, to ensure that the Secretariat's work is as much as possible aligned with members' needs and objectives. The session will be informed by a brief summary of orientations received from delegates earlier this year (during the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the TFCCA<sup>1</sup>, WPCID and EPOC) as well as scoping notes the Secretariat will share in advance.

The introduction will be followed by break-out group discussions to provide for a closer exchange and discussion among members on the priorities of work that have been selected. The break-out group discussions will be organised around the four broader areas of work envisaged in 2023-2024:

- i) Adapting to a changing climate in the management of droughts;
- ii) Climate-resilient infrastructure & nature-based solutions;
- iii) Enhancing alignment and effectiveness of adaptation in a multi-level governance context.

The results of the discussions will feed directly into the further scoping of work that will be carried out by the Secretariat and subsequently shared with TFCCA members.

The format of this session aims at providing an opportunity for delegates to interact more freely and to weigh in on each of the areas of work. The size and grouping of members will be determined on the basis of registrations shortly before the meeting. Virtual break-out groups will be organised for people joining remotely. Moderators for each group are assigned ahead of the meeting.

**Catherine Gamper**, Team Leader, OECD Climate Change Adaptation (and designated group moderators)

#### Questions to guide discussion (25 min):

- What topics in the area of work discussed in your group would you like to see reflected in future work?
- How would you like to see members be involved in the area of work throughout the projects' lifetime?
- What would be the ideal outcome of the work at the end of two years?

#### Background documents:

*"Adapting to a changing climate in the management of droughts"*

[\[EBV/EPOC/WPCID\(2022\)/22\]](#)

*"Enhancing alignment and effectiveness of adaptation in a multi-level governance context"*

[\[EBV/EPOC/WPCID\(2022\)/23\]](#)

*"Climate-resilient infrastructure and Nature-based Solutions"*

[\[EBV/EPOC/WPCID\(2022\)/24\]](#)

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<sup>1</sup> Summary record of the 4<sup>th</sup> TFCCA meeting: <https://community.oecd.org/docs/DOC-206584>



11:15 – 11:30 *Coffee break*

11:30 – 12:15 **Report back and Q&A on break-out group conclusions**

Each break-out group moderator (or a designated break-out group member) shall report back to plenary, summarising the main results of the discussion. The plenary is an opportunity to make contributions to other themes members were not assigned to.

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12:15 – 12:25 **Task Force Housekeeping**

There are two items on the agenda

- Proposing delegates to come forward to fill in a vacant seat in the TFCCA steering group
- Updating members on the discussions about the future of the TFCCA

12:25 – 12:30 **Closing of the meeting**

The Chair will invite **Walid OUESLATI** to provide concluding remarks and discuss any other business. A summary of the meeting and of the next steps will be provided.

## RELEVANT DOCUMENTS AND LINKS:

- OECD PUBLIC WEBSITE ON ADAPTATION:  
[HTTPS://WWW.OECD.ORG/CLIMATE-CHANGE/THEME/RESILIENCE/](https://www.oecd.org/climate-change/theme/resilience/)
- OECD PUBLIC WEBSITE ON THE TFCCA:  
[HTTPS://WWW.OECD.ORG/CLIMATE-CHANGE/ADAPTATION-TASK-FORCE/](https://www.oecd.org/climate-change/adaptation-task-force/)
- TFCCA COMMUNITY WEBSITE  
[HTTPS://COMMUNITY.OECD.ORG/COMMUNITY/JOINT-ADAPTATION-TASK-FORCE](https://community.oecd.org/community/joint-adaptation-task-force)

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