



NWO Conflict and Cooperation in the Management of Climate Change ([CCMCC](#)) in collaboration with LANDac and IDS-Utrecht University:

CLIMATE CHANGE INTERVENTIONS AS A SOURCE OF CONFLICT, COMPETING CLAIMS AND NEW MOBILITIES

Increasing the resilience of communities and cities in the South

**24th (afternoon) and 25th November 2016 (1.5 days)
Venue TBC, Utrecht, the Netherlands**

Call for papers and panel proposals – Deadline: 25th September 2016

Summary

As countries in the South push for a greater focus on climate change adaptation (rather than mitigation), and enormous amounts of financing are made available through global finance mechanisms, understanding the impacts of adaptation and mitigation processes becomes increasingly important. Mitigation and adaptation are rarely the technical, apolitical processes as which they are framed; instead, actions to address climate change create new winners and losers (or consolidate existing cleavages between ‘winners’ and ‘losers’), generate new types of mobilities, and influence access to land and other natural resources. This dynamic process can in turn exacerbate conflicts and/or increase the risks of conflict, as well as forge new alliances with and between actors at various scales.

This conference aims to better understand the impacts of climate change-related investments, exploring how to prevent and resolve conflicts, in cities as well as in urbanizing and rural areas. How can current approaches to managing Climate Change, incorporate, internalize and process existing patterns of competing claims and interaction between various user groups of natural resources? And how can (or should) research and policy move forward so as to make heterogeneous urban dwellers and rural communities more resilient, enhancing their capacities to deal with new scarcities (and situations of abundances) arising from climate change interventions? Furthermore, to what extent can such objectives be addressed in line with the SDGs – in particular to goal of creating safe and resilient cities – and the New Urban Agenda?

This conference is co-organized by NWO, IDS-Utrecht and LANDac, and will bring together academics, policy makers, practitioners and private sector actors interested in making climate interventions more conflict sensitive and fit for purpose, taking social realities as their point of departure. In addition to bringing together the outcomes of the various CCMCC projects, we hope to broaden the discussion by inviting others to collaborate. Our aim is to make mitigation and adaptation interventions more conflict sensitive, participatory and inclusive.

Topics and themes:

- Climate Change, conflict and violence
- Climate Change, (new) partnerships, alliances and cooperation
- Migration and new mobilities
- Access to land and climate change
- Large-scale investment in infrastructure
- Climate Change and Habitat III – the New Urban Agenda
- Urban resilience
- Climate Change and the SDGs
- Community-based adaptation
- Nature conservation and REDD++
- Climate action in dryland areas
- Climate Change, land subsidence and flooding
- Risk and disasters – dealing with the unexpected
- Climate finance mechanisms in practice
- Knowledge production and policy claims in Climate Change

Abstracts on other related topics are also welcomed.

Call for abstracts

If you are interested in participating, please send your abstract of **no more than 300 words** to landac.geo@uu.nl indicating “CCMCC Conference” on or before **25th September 2016**. Submissions should be written in English and should include: title; name and affiliation of all authors; and full contact details of presenter(s). A selection committee will review all submissions and make a final decision of which you will be notified by 21st October 2016.

Interested in organizing a panel?

If you are interested in organizing an entire panel, please submit your proposal on or before 25th September 2016, including a minimum of 5 papers with titles and authors, and the names of your proposed contributors. If you wish to participate in another way – for example, a book launch or an exhibition – please contact the secretariat at landac.geo@uu.nl.

Funding

Successful applicants are required to organise their own funding, travel and accommodation.

Conference committee

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