**National Adaptation Planning:**
Preparation of Country Systems to Address Climate Risk in LDCs

**Date & Time:** Fri. 05 December 2014, 18:30-20:00

**Location:** Room Machu Picchu (Zone G)

**Abstract/Description:**
With the frequency and severity of climate-change related extreme events on the rise world-wide, the IPCC highlighted in its Fifth Assessment Report (AR5) that specific adaptation plans and actions will likely face limits and barriers in responding to climate change. Despite increased attention being directed to potential adaptation strategies, there is less understanding on how these approaches are actually working, whether they are feasible and effective, and the extent of their implementation.

Countries increasingly explore risk transfer as a tool to help them remain in a safe operating space while transitioning from current climate conditions to possibly more harsh risk landscapes in the future. This joint side event will explore challenges countries are facing around the design and implementation of National Adaptation Plans (NAPs). It will examine the potential role of insurance – both, as a tool and an actor – in augmenting national priorities, such as pooling risks regionally or enhancing risk management capacities of vulnerable people.

**Panel:**

- **Aloysius Kamperewera, Director of Environmental Affairs, UNFCCC Focal Point, and National Director for NAPs (Malawi):** National Adaptation Plans – Process Approach and Challenges from an LDC Perspective.

- **Karsten Loeffler (Allianz Climate Solutions):** Perspectives from the Private Sector: How Risk-and Vulnerability Assessments can assist governments in better setting up NAPs.


- **Dr. Koko Warner (UNU-EHS, and Executive Director of MCII):** Synergies between National Climate Risk Management and Regional Risk Insurance Pools.