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HIGH-LEVEL EVENT

## Elevating adaptation action in mountains

From the Andes to the Alps, Carpathians and Hindu Kush Himalaya

Launch of the HKH Theme Song | Youth perspectives on climate actions

9 November 2021 | 14:30 – 16:00 Glasgow, UK  
Cryosphere Pavilion (Blue Zone in Hall 4, Pavilion 44)

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### About the event

The world's mountain regions are facing similar challenges in terms of accelerated climate change and impacts, monitoring and adaptation action, which provides opportunities for cooperation and knowledge exchange. The event provides a platform to exchange knowledge on opportunities for cooperation to upscale adaptation solutions, focussing on mountain cryosphere (especially through NDCs, NAPs, regional cooperation and funding mechanisms). We'll also hear from youth representatives from across these regions on their perspective on the need for ensuring youth engagement to promote climate actions around mountain issues.

### Objectives

- Discuss integration of mountain adaptation in national policies and strengthened regional governance
- Exchange on regional experiences of transboundary cooperation for climate change adaptation in mountains and share concrete adaptation stories
- Launch the HKH Theme song 'HKH CALLING' for global audience
- Provide a platform for youth from different mountain regions to share their perspective on the need for climate action for mountains

## Agenda

Time	Programme
14:30–14:35	Welcome by Facilitator, <b>Nanki Kaur</b>
14:35–14:45	Setting the scene – <b>Niklas Hagelberg</b> , Climate Change Programme Coordinator, UNEP – <b>Alenka Smerkolj</b> , Secretary General of the Alpine Convention (online)
14:45–15:15	High Level segment: Remarks and moderated dialogue  Moderator: <b>Nanki Kaur</b> , ICIMOD – <b>Alfredo Mamani Salinas</b> , Vice-Minister for Strategic Natural Resource Development, Ministry of Environment, Peru  High-Level representative, Ministry Poland – <b>Pema Gyamtsho</b> , Director General of ICIMOD and former Minister for Agriculture and Forest, Bhutan – <b>Radha Wagle</b> , Joint Secretary, Ministry of Forests and Environment, Nepal – <b>Helmut Hojesky</b> , Director at the Federal Ministry for Climate Action and Chair of the Alpine Climate Board, Austria  Q&A
15:15–15:45	Launch of the HKH Theme Song: HKH CALLING  Facilitated discussion on Youth, Mountains and Climate Action Moderator: <b>Udayan Mishra</b> , ICIMOD – <b>Bindu Bhandari</b> , Outreach and Engagement Manager, Climate Interactive, Nepal – <b>Antoine Ferraris</b> , UNFCCC youth delegate, CliMates Austria – Representative from Andes
15:45–16:00	Reflections and closing – <b>Izabella Koziell</b> , Deputy Director General, ICIMOD – <b>Ansgar Fellendorf</b> , UNEP (online)

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