

#MovingMountains

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HKH HIGH-LEVEL EVENT

Moving mountains: Prioritising investment needs for a climate-resilient Hindu Kush Himalaya

8 November 2022 | 10:00–11:15 Egypt time | Cryosphere Pavilion, COP27 Blue Zone

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Event focus

The eight Hindu Kush Himalayan (HKH) countries signed a [Ministerial Declaration](#) and launched the [HKH Call to Action](#) during the landmark 2020 [HKH Ministerial Mountain Summit](#). This declaration focused on sustaining mountain environments and improving livelihoods in the HKH, a region particularly vulnerable to climate change impacts. The historic agreement highlighted the need for regional collaboration and ambitious climate action to limit global warming to 1.5 °C and adapt to climate change impacts.

This event will bring together members of the HKH High-level Task Force members and representatives from the eight HKH countries to highlight the urgency of investments for climate action in the region.

This session aims to:

- Develop a shared understanding of the latest trends, successes, and challenges in climate finance
- Understand needs and gaps to identify opportunities for investment
- Raise awareness about climate finance and strengthen the capacity of stakeholders to develop an enabling policy environment that promotes public and private investment in climate action projects in the HKH region

Agenda

Time (Egypt)	Programme
Moderator: Babar Khan , Senior Ecosystem Management Specialist, ICIMOD	
10:00 – 10:10	Welcome Remarks Pam Pearson , Director, International Cryosphere Climate Initiative (ICCI) Arun Bhakta Shrestha , Regional Programme Manager, River Basins and Cryosphere, ICIMOD
Video message – Pema Gyamtsho , Director General, ICIMOD	
10:10 – 10:20	Screening of a visual story on climate change and mountain regions – Udayan Mishra , Knowledge Management and Networking Officer, ICIMOD
10:20 – 10:35	Introduction to the Mountains of Opportunity Investment Framework (MOIF) – Deepshikha Sharma , Climate and Environment Specialist, ICIMOD
10:35 – 11:05	Remarks from the HKH High-level Task Force members and HKH representatives <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Afghanistan: Sayed Ahmad Khalid Sahibzada, Member HKH HLTF Afghanistan (recorded message)• Bangladesh: TBC• Bhutan: TBC• China: Yang Yongping, Member HKH HTF China (recorded message)• India: Nameeta Prasad, Joint Secretary, MOEFCC, India• Nepal: Pem Narayan Kandel, Secretary, MOFE, Nepal• Pakistan: Asif Hyder Shah, Secretary, MoCC, Pakistan• Md. Masumur Rahman, Director General, South Asia Co-operative Environment Programme (SACEP)
11:05 – 11:10	Q&A
11:10 – 11:15	Way forward and vote of thanks – Babar Khan , Senior Ecosystem Management Specialist, ICIMOD

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