Better Climate Governance Matters 2022
Learning in the implementation of the Paris Agreement

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The Context: Learning takes time and with seven years since the signing of the Paris Agreement, it is important to know the stories about its implementation, what worked and what did not. Through a joint review and reflection of these lessons, stakeholderas involved can make the necessary changes and be able to amplify practices that contribute to the achievement of the Paris Agreement.

Event Focus: Meeting the Paris Agreement targets requires accelerated learning about how to make the needed changes. This year's participatory conference will provide a forum for the exchange and development of ideas in relation to improving climate governance. The conference will be a space for discussions on collaboration, innovation, overcoming barriers to sharing values, skills, and approaches.

Central Question: How can the world accelerate the learning needed to limit global temperature increase to 1.5 – 2 degrees C? What are the characteristics of effective climate action at all governance levels?

Specific questions to guide the sessions are the following:
- How can we build capacity to meet Paris targets at all levels of governance?
- What are success stories of learning in different sectors?
- What lessons can we share in local/regional collaboration and impact?
- What can we share about scaling up projects? Making them self-sustaining?
- How can nations best leverage learning of other actors (nations and non-national actors) to inform their NDCs?
- What resources are necessary to facilitate learning?
- What are successful examples of knowledge transfer (South to South; South to North; North to South)?

Organizers: This conference is organised by the Better Climate Governance project (https://betterclimategovernance.com).

The Better Climate Governance project is funded by Newcastle University and led by Dr. Katharine Rietig (Newcastle University, UK) and Christine Peringer, JD (Mediators Beyond Borders International). See more details about the team by following this link: https://betterclimategovernance.com/the-team/.

Participation is free and the conference is entirely online (Zoom). A web-link with the Zoom access details will be emailed to participants after registration.

For conference registration: https://forms.office.com/r/2eLTh503z1

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Time (UTC)	Agenda
11:00am to 11:15am	**1. Welcome** a. Welcome and event introduction Focus: *What are the characteristics of effective climate action at all governance levels? How can the world accelerate the learning needed to limit temperature rise to 1.5 – 2 degrees?*

11:15am to 11:45am	**2. Keynote Speakers**
	        a. Dr. Tara Shine
	Founder of Change by Degrees, Co-Facilitator of the Structured Expert Dialogue of the 2nd Periodic Review under the UNFCCC, a process to monitor progress and enhance delivery on Paris Agreement goals.
	
	        b. Dr. Antonio La Viña
	Associate Director for climate policy and international relations of Manila Observatory, former Dean of the Ateneo School of Government, former Undersecretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources in the Philippines.

11:50am	Stretch break

11:55am to 1:00pm	**3. Discussion and Reflection**

a. Theme 1: Learning in Transnational Climate Action
  i. Presentation – Dr. Katharine Rietig, Newcastle University
  ii. Facilitated break out groups
  Questions for discussion:
   - How can we build capacity to meet Paris targets at all levels of governance?
   - What are success stories of learning in different sectors?
   - What lessons can we share in local/regional collaboration and impact?
   - What can we share about scaling up projects? Making them self-sustaining?
  iii. Plenary sharing of breakout discussion & reflection

1:00pm	Break

1:15pm to 2:30pm	

b. Theme 2: UNFCCC as a learning forum
  i. Presentation – Christine Peringer, Mediators Beyond Borders International
  ii. Facilitated Breakout Discussions
  Questions for discussion:
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   - What resources are necessary to facilitate learning?
   - What are successful examples of knowledge transfer (South to South; South to North; North to South)?
  iii. Plenary sharing of breakout discussion & reflection (20 min)

2:30pm to 3:00pm	**4. Closing**

a. Synthesis Comments
b. Better Climate Governance Network
c. Closing thoughts
d. Thank you

3:00pm	Conference complete