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REPORTING FOR RESULTS-BASED REDD+ ACTIONS

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Speakers Bio

Leadership

Conrad Kevin

Ambassador Conrad was Special Envoy for Environment and Climate Change for Papua New Guinea from 2005-2014 and founding Executive Director of the Coalition for Rainforest Nations, an intergovernmental initiative of over 50 developing nations. His efforts focus upon the development of proactive strategies toward climate stability, biodiversity conservation, and sustainable development in developing countries.

In this role, Amb. Conrad launched the initiative within the United Nations Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) now known as REDD-plus: 'Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation, and the role of conservation, sustainable management of forests, and enhancement of forest carbon stocks.' He is a lead negotiator for the G77 & China focused on development, climate, and forests.

Amb. Conrad was instrumental in the design and establishment of the World Bank's Forest Carbon Partnership Facility and the United Nations UN-REDD Programme. Amb. Conrad has been a member of the Global Agenda Council on Ecosystems and Biodiversity Loss for the World Economic Forum.

At the UNFCCC's twenty-first Conference of the Parties, Ambassador Conrad led a ministerial contingent that worked closely with COP President Laurent Fabius and French Ambassador to the United Nations, Francois Deltattre to institutionalize a REDD+ Mechanism as Article 5 of the Paris Agreement - the only sector with a dedicated article. Ambassador Conrad and CfRN are now working with developing countries and the private sector to begin implementing activities consistent with the REDD+ Mechanism of the UNFCCC.

Amb. Conrad's past experience includes investment banking and operational experience in both industrial and emerging markets working in agriculture, energy, sea foods, telecommunications, and textiles. He has worked for and advised numerous international companies related to global strategy, international investment, and strategic alliances.

In 2009, the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) named Amb. Conrad a 'Champion of the Earth' for Policy Leadership along with Erik Solheim, Minister of Environment and International



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Development of Norway. In 2008, TIME Magazine named him #1 in the "Leaders & Visionaries" category within its annual list of "Heroes of the Environment".

Amb. Conrad was raised in Papua New Guinea and subsequently earned a BS from the University of Southern California and MBAs from both Columbia Business School and the London Business School – receiving the 'Distinguished Service Award.'

Bickersteth Sam

Sam Bickersteth has led CDKN, a global alliance of southern and northern organisations delivering innovative solutions for climate compatible development in developing countries since 2011. He has established CDKN as a leading global, multi-donor funded programme supporting developing country decision-makers. Through over 200 technical assistance, research and knowledge management projects in 70 countries CDKN has provided assistance on climate policies, planning and finance, climate related disasters and international negotiations.

Sam is an agricultural economist with a background in food security, natural resources and climate change, having previously worked for DFID and Oxfam. From 2006 to 2010 he was head of programme policy at Oxfam and previously held leadership positions in DFID including as Head of DFID Bolivia. Sam has lived in Africa, South Asia and Latin America in his roles as researcher, policy adviser and programme manager. He is a Director in PwC's Sustainability and Climate Change team, a Visiting Research Associate at Oxford University and adviser to the London School of Economics/Leeds University Centre for Climate Change Economics and Policy (CCCEP). Sam is currently CEO of the Climate Development Knowledge Network (CDKN) of PricewaterhouseCoopers.

Bietta Federica

Federica Bietta is the Managing Director of the Coalition for Rainforest Nations and a former Special Advisor on Climate Change, Office of the Prime Minister, Papua New Guinea. Federica is an internationally recognized expert in the development of international agreements related to climate change and specific mechanisms that include emissions resulting from tropical deforestation.

Federica was actively involved in the design and implementation of both the Forest Carbon Partnership Facility of the World Bank and the UN-REDD programme. Until December 2012, she led CfrN's activities within the REDD+ Partnership, serving as this body's inaugural Co-Chair in 2010.

Federica was instrumental in the design and implementation of the CfrN Climate Compatible Development Programs in Papua New Guinea and the Dominican Republic. She has held a leadership role in the Coalition's CD-REDD Program since its inception in 2008 and is currently overseeing the latest phase of this initiative, CfrN's Reporting Results for REDD+ (RRR+) which is a partnership with the Norwegian and British governments.

Up until 2017, Federica was the lead REDD+ technical negotiator for the Coalition and was instrumental in designing and executing REDD+ negotiating strategy. At the UNFCCC Twenty-First Conference of the Parties, Federica served on a ministerial team that worked with the COP Presidency on the design and institutionalization of the REDD+ Mechanism as Article 5 of the Paris Agreement.



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In addition to oversight of the RRR+ Project, Federica has also assumed leadership roles in projects that focus on the implementation of REDD+ activities and that work to scale up private sector involvement in green growth initiatives, including a catalytic investment fund.

Federica previously worked for a major European bank and forged professional relationships with Fortune 500 Companies such as: Tyco, General Electric, ADP, AIG and IBM.

Raised in Italy, Federica earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics and Finance from the University of Perugia. She pursued further studies in Finance in Brussels and in strategic management studies at California State University, Hayward. Federica earned MBAs from Columbia Business School and the London Business School.

Speakers and moderators

Bosetti Valentina

Valentina has a bachelor degree in environmental sciences and a MSc in environmental and natural resources economics (University College London). Valentina holds a PhD in computational mathematics and operation research ((Università degli Studi di Milano). In 2008/2009 she was visiting fellow at Princeton Environmental Institute. During 2014/2015 she was a Fellow at CASBS, Stanford. Valentina was one of the lead authors of the 5th AR IPCC (2014), PI of a ERC Starting Grant on Innovation and clean technologies (ICARUS). Valentina is currently PI of a ERC Starting Grant on Uncertainty and Climate Change (RISICO). She is past president of the Italian Association of Environmental and Resource Economics (IAERE) and council member of the European one (EAERE). Valentina is currently Professor of climate change economics at Bocconi University and Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei.

Chung Paul

Paul Chung is the Chief Operating Officer of the Coalition for Rainforest Nations and directs the day-to-day activities of the Secretariat in New York. He directs all internal communications and works with the Board of Directors, Executive Director and Managing Director to lead external relations with donors, foreign ministries, agencies and civil society leadership. Paul oversees all teams that draft and finalize all required operational and financial reports. His skills include strategic communications, policy development, project management, installation of control frameworks, regulatory accountability, and risk management. Paul holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Swarthmore College, a M.Sc. in Sustainability Management, including a Diploma in Monitoring and Evaluation, from Columbia University and is a candidate for a M.Sc. in Finance, with a concentration in Social Impact Investment, from Johns Hopkins University.

Elvers Christina

Christina Elvers leads PwC UK's work on sustainable land-use. She has deep experience on international development, climate change and low-carbon development, working both with companies and governments. This ranges from working with REDD+ project developers to supporting REDD+ country governments to managing funds for international donors including the UK and Norway. She has advised a major UK retailer on its net deforestation strategy and worked



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with Code REDD on strategies to bringing the Consumer Goods Forum and REDD communities together to achieve net zero deforestation in the CGF companies' supply chains. Over the course of nine months, she worked closely with the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) on its future growth strategy. Christina was the Head of the Advocacy Fund of the Climate and Development Knowledge Network (CDKN), overseeing a multi-million pound annual budget and more than 20 projects (from assessing their relevance to the Advocacy Fund to evaluating their impact at project end).

Christina is the private sector observer to the Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF), where she regularly interacts with donors and REDD+ countries. She recently published a thought leadership paper on the future of REDD+.

Fernandez Javier

Javier Fernandez is a trained forester with 7 years of experience in greenhouse gas measurement and accounting in the land use sector, and holds a master's degree from the Yale School of Forestry. He is from Costa Rica and recently joined CfRN and the team working in the RRR+ project.

Javier is a member of the UNFCCC Roster of Experts and has participated in the review of GHG inventories and Kyoto Protocol commitments of Annex 1 countries, as well as REDD+ reference levels under the UNFCCC.

Prior to joining CfRN, Javier worked with Mexico's Forestry Commission on REDD+ MRV, developed Costa Rica's REDD+ reference level, and helped design Costa Rica's Climate Change Monitoring System for its NDC. During his time in Costa Rica's Ministry of Environment, Javier supported the negotiations of the FCPF Carbon Fund Methodological Framework, GCF's pilot program for REDD+, and the transparency framework under the Paris Agreement.

Lie Halfdan Mads

Mads is Head of section for climate, forest and green economy at Norad (Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation). He holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA) and has 10 years work experience in development and environmental sustainability, in WWF, UNIDO and UNODC prior to Norad.

Mads is an economist working for sustainable future and a greener economy. His specialties are: project management, social responsibility, forest carbon, climate negotiations, REDD+, climate financing, development, green economy, payment for ecosystem services, climate mitigation

Massai Leonardo

Leonardo Massai has 16 years of experience on international environmental law, climate change mitigation and adaptation, forestry, human rights, renewable energy and energy efficiency regulation.

Leonardo is Legal and Policy Advisor for the Coalition for Rainforest Nations –CfRN (www.rainforestcoalition.org) where he provides direct counsel, assistance, advice and training to all rainforest nations on international environmental law, climate change governance, mitigation and adaptation, REDD+, climate compatible development plans and multilateral negotiations.



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Massai is also Associate Professor in *EU Law, International and EU Environmental Law, Climate Change Law, Human Rights and Environments, UN Multilateral Negotiations* at the Catholic University of Lille in France. Massai served as Alternate Member of the Enforcement Branch to the Compliance Committee of the Kyoto Protocol (elected as representative of the Asia-Pacific group) in the period 2014 - 2017.

Massai is co-founder of the start-up Climalia and has strong experience on supporting developing countries (LDCs and SIDS) in the preparation and implementation of climate change related policy and strategic documents, including NDCs. Amongst others, Leonardo has been working for the French Development Agency (AFD) and Expertise France to assist the Indian Ocean countries in the preparation and implementation of NDCs.

Mollicone Danilo

Dr. Danilo Mollicone is a forest ecologist working in the Climate and Biodiversity Department at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. Prior to joining FAO, he was working as scientist at the Max Planck Institute for Biogeochemistry and at the Joint Research Centre of the European Commission conducting research activities on boreal, temperate and tropical forests. Within FAO he is coordinating the land monitoring projects and he is supporting several REDD+ related activities. In the context of the Open Foris Initiative he is inspiring the development of new open source applications to support forest monitoring and management. PhD in Forestry Ecology, authors of 40+ scientific papers including papers in Nature and Science.

Mpanu Mpanu Tosi

Tosi is Lead Climate Change Specialist at the Ministère de l'Environnement, Conservation de la Nature et Tourisme, Democratic Republic of the Congo. Tosi is the Director of the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) Designated National Authority of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). As a member of the Congolese team of climate change negotiators, he chairs the African Group on Climate Change negotiations under the UNFCCC since COP15, in Copenhagen, in December 2009 and will remain in that capacity until COP17 in South Africa, in December 2011. Tosi is a seasoned and result oriented professional with over 15 years of experience in diplomacy, economic development, climate change, energy, environmental sustainability and resource mobilization. His sound and in-depth understanding of economic and environmental concepts has served him immensely in developing and implementing key national and international policies and projects. Over the years, he has shown a proven ability to facilitate, lead and finalize intensive and difficult negotiations resulting in higher standards and better protocols for all involved parties. He possesses effective leadership skills that have allowed him to coordinate the work of delegates from 53 African countries, to cultivate productive relationships with key decision makers, and to develop and manage policy platforms with key African institutions.

Reyes Eduardo

Eduardo was Vice Minister of Environment of Panama from 2004 to 2009 and he has over 37 years experience in the renewable energy sector, 18 years in the environmental sector and over 16 years of experience dealing with UNFCCC negotiations. He has been acting as a Senior Advisor of the



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Coalition for Rainforest Nations (CfRN), a position he has held since May 2010 to follow REDD+, Blue Carbon and Carbon Market Negotiations.

His engagement on REDD+ negotiations since 2005 has helped him to develop a key understanding to support countries and private sector in how to achieve a GHG mitigation roadmap taking into account aspects of adaptation, climate resilience, environmental, social and cultural issues in addition to the economical one without leaving out the political context and national circumstances. Having this understanding has allowed him to influence and to advice on different sectorial policies developed by decision makers to face the challenge of environmental issues from climate change perspective.

He has supported many developing countries to structure National Communications mitigation chapters, GHG Inventories, REDD+ Readiness and Implementing Strategies among other subjects. He was part of the CfRN team that supported Panama to develop its National Forest Reference Emission Level for the five REDD+ activities. He also acts as an independent consultant supporting the private sector to integrate and design low carbon development including adaptation measures.

Sura Kiran

Kiran has over 10 years experience working on climate change and environmental issues in the public and private sector. Prior to joining PwC, Kiran was an economic advisor to the UK government on a range of policy issues. Kiran joined PwC's Sustainability and Climate Change Team in 2013 where she currently leads the delivery of an International Climate Change Negotiations Support programme for the UK Government. This is an award winning programme that was awarded 'Best International Project' by the Management Consulting Association 2017. In addition Kiran oversees the delivery of, and advises on, several other global climate and development programmes for the UK, Netherlands, Norway and Germany, including the Reporting for Results-based REDD+ project. Kiran's skills and experience include economics, climate change, climate negotiations, risk management, policy development, monitoring and evaluation, programme management and international fund management.