The Side Event at the HLPF 2019

Event Title:  
From Science to Implementation: Strengthening the Science Policy Interface (SPI) to Integrate Climate Change, resilience, and the SDGs

Short Title:  
Science to implementation: Climate Action and SDGs Synergy

The Room Capacity:  
70-80

Brief description of the event
A key message from IPCC 1.5 C special report is that leveraging synergies and avoiding trade-offs between climate-action and development priorities can help limit global warming to safe levels. There nonetheless remain questions on how policymakers can incorporate science-based research on climate and development linkages into policies and practices. Doing so will require not only strengthening the bonds climate change and the SDGs but also enhancing dialogue between scientists and policymakers. With inputs from S20, STI Forum, Climate and SDGs Synergy Conference, this session will highlight high-level speakers working to integrate climate change (including provisions of the Paris Agreement and Sendai Framework) and the SDGs by strengthening the SPI.

Equipment: Projector and screen: Yes

Date and Time: 12 July 13:15 ~ 14:30 in Conference Rooms S1522 and S1523 at the UN HQ

Timetable

00:00 – 00:05 Introduction to the session
Moderator: Dr. Junichi Fujino, Programme Director, City Taskforce, IGES

00:05 – 00:15 Opening Speech “From Science to Implementation: Strengthening the Science Policy Interface (SPI) to Integrate Climate Change, resilience, and the SDGs”
Speaker: Prof. Kazuhiko Takeuchi, President, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)

00:15 – 00:50 Comments and Discussions (each 5 mins)

Resource persons;

- Dr. Heide Hackmann, CEO, The High Level from International Science Council (ISC) - “Critical priorities for science in the implementation space”

- Prof. Nebojsa Nakicenovic, Former Deputy Director General and CEO, The
International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA)


- **Dr. Lynn Wagner**, Group Director, SDG Knowledge Program, Interim Director, Reporting Services, International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD) “How, Who and What for the Science-Policy Interface?”

- **Dr. Pungkas B Ali**, Director for Community Nutrition and Health, Ministry of National Development Planning, The Republic of Indonesia

- **Dr. Shantanu Mukherjee**, Chief, Policy and Analysis Branch, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN-DESA)

- **Mr. Jamil Ahmad**, Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, New York Office, UN Environment Programme

00:50 – 01:10 Discussions among the panel and questions from the floor

01:10 – 01:15 Closing Remarks

Speaker: **Prof. Kazuhiko Takeuchi**, President, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)