

COP28 Side Event

Empowering Vulnerable Nations: Bridging Needs and Gaps in Loss and Damage via Financial Interventions

Sunday 3 December 2023, 1645–1815 (GST), Expo City, Dubai,
The Commonwealth Pavilion, Blue Zone, Area B2, Building 21 – MA09G4

This side event is organised by the Commonwealth Secretariat in collaboration with the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI) to discuss the updates on the establishment of the Loss and Damage Fund, and the expectations of member countries concerning the Fund's operationalisation. The discussion will also focus on countries' readiness to access and utilise these funds, and on the role of financial interventions for effective utilisation.

Opening Session

Dr Ruth Kattumuri

Senior Director, EYSD,
the Commonwealth Secretariat

Madeleine Sarr

Chair of the Least Developed Countries
(LDC) Group on Climate Change

GGGI Presentation on Multi-country Stakeholder Consultations

Dr Achala Abeysinghe

Director of Asia, Global Green Growth Institute

CCFAH Presentation on Financial Interventions for Loss and Damage

Sagar Srijan Joshi

Commonwealth National Climate
Finance Adviser – Maldives

Martin Barriteau

Commonwealth National Climate
Finance Adviser – Tonga

Panel Discussion

Ambassador Diann Black-Layne

Antigua and Barbuda's Ambassador
for Climate Change

Harjeet Singh

Head, Global Political Strategy
Climate Action Network

Debbie Palmer

Director, Energy, Climate and Environment,
FCDO

Unnikrishnan Nair

Head of Climate Change,
the Commonwealth Secretariat

Closing Remarks

Dr Frank Rijsberman

Director General, Global Green Growth Institute

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