

Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei and Università Ca' Foscari Venezia

COP 18 Side-Event on

**THE COST OF CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION:
NEW FINDINGS, OLD GAPS AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Wednesday, 5th Dec 2012 - 11:30-12:00

Qatar National Convention Center - Room 2

Nowadays adaptation is unanimously accepted as an unavoidable complement to mitigation in any strategy aiming to effectively address climate risks. The side event aims to present new ways to assess the costs, benefits, and related policy implications of adaptation to climate change.

AGENDA

**THE ECONOMICS OF LARGE SCALE ADAPTATION POLICIES IN DEVELOPED
AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES**

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IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE: A PHYSICAL ASSESSMENT

PROF. RICCARDO VALENTINI

Senior Scientist, Euro-Mediterranean Center on Climate Change

POLICIES AND INVESTMENTS TO ADAPT TO CLIMATE CHANGE

MR. PETER CARTER

Chief Environmentalist, European Investment Bank

IMPACTS, VULNERABILITY AND ADAPTATION: EUROPEAN OVERVIEW

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OPEN DISCUSSION

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SPEAKERS

Carlo Carraro holds a Ph.D. from Princeton University and is currently the President of the University Ca' Foscari of Venice and Professor of Econometrics at the same University. He is Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei and Director of the Climate Impacts and Policy Division of the Euro-Mediterranean Centre on Climate Change. In 2008, he was elected Vice-Chair of the Working Group III and Member of the Bureau of the Nobel Laureate Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). He is member of the International Advisory Board of the Harvard Environmental Economics Program (HEEP) and of the Scientific Committee of the International Human Dimensions Programme (IHDP), of the Research Network on Sustainable Development – Paris, of the Ifo Institute for Economic Research - Munich; of the Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis, Australian National University; and of the ENI Energy Research Award, Rome. He is member of the Mitigation Board of the Global Network for Climate Solutions at Columbia University's Earth Institute and of the Green Growth Knowledge Platform Advisory Committee.

Peter Carter is Associate Director, and Chief Environmentalist of the European Investment Bank. Before joining the Bank, he was a member of the UK Government Economic Service, working in the Department of the Environment and the Ministry of Overseas Development. Within the Bank, initially he worked as a development economist in developing countries and emerging markets. In 1995 he was appointed EIB Environmental Coordinator, responsible for the development of the environmental and subsequently social policy and practices of the EIB. He specializes in global commons issues, notably climate change and biodiversity. He is a Visiting Research Associate at Oxford University, and holds degrees from the Universities of Bristol and London.

Paul McAleavey is Head of Air and Climate Change (ACC) at the European Environment Agency. He is responsible for the strategic development of the Agency's work in the areas of air quality and noise, air pollutant and greenhouse gas emissions, climate change mitigation and adaptation, as well as the cross-cutting themes of energy and transport. The work of the Agency covers data flows, indicators, regular reporting and assessment activities and involves intensive collaboration with EU institutions and EEA member countries. Dr McAleavey has a BA honours degree in Political Science from the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow (1990) and a PhD from the Department of Social and Political Sciences at the European University Institute in Florence (1995). Having previously worked as a Senior Economic Researcher in the UK civil service, at the Scottish Office Industry Department, he joined the European Commission in Brussels in July 1995. He held several posts in the European Commission before joining the European Environment Agency on 1 January 2005.

Riccardo Valentini is Professor of Forest Ecology Department for Innovation in biological, agro-food and forest systems (DIBAF) - University of Tuscia, Viterbo, Italy and Director of the "Impacts on Agriculture, Forest, and Natural Ecosystems (IAFENT) Division of the Euro-Mediterranean Centre on Climate Change. His expertise regards the role of land use changes and forestry in the carbon cycle, biodiversity and bio-energy. He is also involved through IPCC and governmental bodies on policies about the global carbon cycle and the role of land use changes and forestry, and Member of the Biogeoscience Committee of the European Research Council. He is coordinator of several EU projects aiming to understand and quantify the terrestrial carbon budget and greenhouse gases emissions. He is Doctor Honoris Causa Faculté Universitaire des Sciences Agronomiques de Gembloux, Belgium.