

You are most welcome to participate in the following COP15 side event on the climate policy and land scarcity nexus, including the issue of Reduced Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD).

Climate policy and land scarcity – finding effective responses

Time: Monday, Dec 14, 13.00-15.00

Venue: Monnet room, EU-pavilion

Income induced diet changes, increased demand for biofuels, and climatic changes, have already caused food price increases and consequent deforestation. Here we will discuss three main responses to the challenges this development poses: pricing the carbon emissions from deforestation (i.e., REDD), climate taxes on meat consumption, and utilization of marginal lands.

Welcome and introduction (13:00-13:05)

Martin Persson, University of Gothenburg

General overview of the climate policy and land scarcity nexus (13:05-13:30)

Presenter: Daniel Johansson, Chalmers University of Technology, Göteborg, Sweden

Discussant: Michael Obersteiner, International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA), Laxenburg, Austria

Managing land scarcity I: Reduced emissions from deforestation and forest degradation (REDD) (13:30-13:55)

Presenter: Prof. Catherine Potvin and Johanne Pelletier, Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, Panama and McGill University, Montreal, Canada.

Discussant: Martin Persson, Göteborg University of Gothenburg, Göteborg, Sweden

Managing land scarcity II: Climate taxes on meat consumption (13:55-14:20)

Presenter: Fredrik Hedenus, Chalmers University of Technology, Göteborg, Sweden

Discussant: Francis X. Johnson, Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI), Stockholm, Sweden

Managing land scarcity III: Utilization of marginal lands (14:20-14:45)

Presenter: Prof. NH Ravindranath, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, India

Discussant: Madelene Ostwald, Linköping University, Linköping, Sweden

Concluding discussion (14:45-15:00)

Moderator: Kristian Lindgren, Chalmers University of Technology, Göteborg, Sweden

After the side-event there will be a small reception, held just outside the conference room.

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