

Invitation to Side Event



Showcasing on- and offsite impacts of sustainable land management



WOCAT together with **FAO, GB Pant, ICIMOD, Nairobi Water Fund, and University of Bern/CDE** cordially invite you to join us on

Wednesday 4th September 2019 from 18:00 to 20:00 in MET-06*

Though the critical importance of preventing land degradation and of sustainable land management (SLM) for the Sustainable Development Goals is increasingly acknowledged around the world, proven evidence on the overall impacts of land management – including benefits of SLM or the cost of inaction – and the wide dissemination thereof to policy- and decision-makers is still at initial stage.

Evidence on both on- and off-site impacts of SLM in selected case study regions was gathered by WOCAT and its partners under the SDC funded on- and off-site SLM impacts project to assess

- how upstream SLM investment can reduce flood disasters in **Haiti** and **Colombia**,
- how SLM in water- and spring-sheds can secure reliable water supply for rural communities in **North India**, for the city of Nairobi and for hydropower production in the Tana River Basin, **Kenya** and
- how SLM can prevent devastating wind erosion in **Iceland**.

In the side event, SLM experts will provide first insights on how they identified, assessed and visualized the on- and off-site impacts of SLM in the different case study regions. The event will try to stimulate further on- and off-site initiatives all over the world. Your ideas are welcome!

The programme offers

- Introduction to the **SDC funded on- and off-site SLM impacts project**
- **Results and insights from the work in the case study regions**
- **Perspectives from key stakeholders and partner institutions**
- **Open discussion** on how to **account for on- and off-site SLM impacts in land management** to leverage achieving Land Degradation Neutrality and the Sustainable Development Goals
- with **refreshments**

* **Please check on any updated schedule in the daily journal**

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