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## Limits and Barriers to Climate Change Adaptation

The report forms part of a series of studies commissioned by NCCARF that look at the limits to climate change adaptation. It assesses the social, economic, and environmental costs and benefits of water trading and the implications of using 'market-based' instruments (MBIs) for adaptation, in particular the barriers and limitations to climate change adaptation in small inland communities of Australia.

[Limits to Adaptation: Limits and Barriers to Climate Change Adaptation for Small Inland Communities Affected By Drought](#), Kiem, A.S. and Austin, E.K., National Climate Change Adaptation Research Facility (NCCARF), University of Newcastle, 2012 [2.05 MB, PDF]

## Vulnerability of Home Garden Systems to Climate Change

This paper assesses the degree of vulnerability of different home garden systems in South Asia under changing climate. It documents key characteristics of home garden systems over a period of 50 years, covering major climatic zones in Sri Lanka and selected locations in India and Bangladesh. The paper develops a bio-economic model to identify the contribution of climate change on the status of food security in South Asia.

[Vulnerability of Home Garden Systems to Climate Change and its Impacts on Food Security in South Asia](#), Prof. Buddhi Marambe et al., Final Report - Project Reference Number: ARCP2010-03CM-Marambe, Asia-Pacific Network for Global Change Research, 2012 [2.38 MB, PDF]

## Progress and Challenges in Urban Adaptation Planning

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The report provides insight into the status of climate change adaptation planning. It finds that the three key challenges to mainstream adaptation into disaster risk reduction (DRR) and land use planning are: securing funding for adaptation; communicating the need for adaptation to elected officials and local departments; and gaining commitment and generating appreciation from national government for the realities of local adaptation challenges.

[Progress and Challenges in Urban Climate Adaptation Planning - Results of a Global Survey](#), Carmin, JoAnn, Nikhil Nadkarni, and Christopher Rhie, Cambridge, 2012 [2.2 MB, PDF]

## **Equity and Cost-effectiveness of Multilateral Adaptation Finance**

The Adaptation Fund Board (AFB) is currently discussing how to govern the 50% funding cap for Multilateral Implementing Entities. This paper examines whether the first-come-first serve approach is sustainable or whether the AFB needs to apply more a fundamental criteria to the allocation of funding. It addresses two main questions: can multilateral adaptation finance address equity and cost-effectiveness simultaneously; and, has the AFB addressed equity or cost-effectiveness in its past approval process?

[Equity and Cost-effectiveness of Multilateral Adaptation Finance - Are They Friends or Foes?](#) Martin Stadelmann, Asa Persson, Izabela Ratajczak-Juszko, Axel Michaelowa, Center for Comparative and International Studies (CIS) and Department of Political Sciences (UZH), 2012 [1.85 MB, PDF]

## **UGEC Viewpoints - Urbanization and Global Environmental Change**

This issue of UGEC (Urbanization and Global Environmental Change) Viewpoints showcases a small sample of 'interdisciplinary initiatives for an urban earth'. It exhibits new integrative research that meets the needs of stakeholders at different scales - those who are currently struggling with addressing both challenges and opportunities of global urbanization and environmental change.

[UGEC Viewpoints](#), No. 7, Urbanization and Global Environmental Change (UGEC), May 2012 [20.2 Mb, PDF]

## **The Fifth Meeting of the Global Studies Consortium**

The fifth meeting of the Global Studies Consortium will take place at RMIT University, Melbourne, Australia from June 14-17, 2012. It will bring together scholars and practitioners from a wide range of disciplines to address the conference theme: 'Globalizing Cities' and its relationship to 'Global Studies'. Professor Darryn McEvoy, Dr. Hartmut Funfgeld, Dr. Jane Mullett and Mr. Alexei Trundle will discuss the work of the Climate Change Adaptation Programme (CCAP) at RMIT University.

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