



GEF BBL Series



## **Learning from GEF investments: Good Practice on Community Participation and Governance for Environmental Sustainability**

February 24, 2022, Thursday, 9:00 – 10:30 (EST)

- *English/Spanish simultaneous interpretation is available*



*Cycling for climate @ MADES-UNDP-GEF - Bruno Ferreira*

### **Program:**

Moderated by: **William Ehlers, Secretary of the Council, GEF** and **Seo-Jeong Yoon, Country Officer of Asia and Pacific, GEF**

- Opening remarks: **Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, CEO and Chairperson, GEF**
- Presentation:
  - Experience from “Innovative Governance for Participatory Design of Green Cities: Land-use Planning, Sustainable Mobility, Solid Waste Management, and Urban Biodiversity Conservation in Paraguay” <IAP Sustainable Cities>:
    - **Silvia Morimoto, Resident Representative in the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Paraguay; and**
    - **Jorge Bosch, Vice Minister of Urban Planning and Habitat, Ministry of Urbanism, Housing and Habitat, Republic of Paraguay**
  - Experience from “Enhancing Engagement of Private sector and Local Communities in Peatland Management: Innovative Policies and Monitoring Systems in Indonesia”:
    - **Ibu Laksmi DHEWANTHI, Operational Focal Point to GEF and Senior Advisor to the Indonesian Minister of Environment and Forestry;**

- **Ivan Cossio Cortez, Country Representative to Indonesia, Papua New Guinea and Malaysia, and Head of the IFAD South East Asia and the Pacific Sub-regional Hub, IFAD;** and
  - **Sri Parwati Murwani Budisusanti, SMPEI Project Director and Director of Peatland Degradation Control Directorate, Ministry of Environment and Forestry, Republic of Indonesia.**
- Discussion (reflection on the presentation, views, and Q&A)  
Discussants:
  - **Xueman Wang, Senior Urban Specialist, World Bank**
  - **Ulrich Apel, Land Degradation Focal Area Coordinator, ECA Regional Coordinator and Senior Environmental Specialist, GEF**
  - **Aloke Barnwal, Senior Climate Change Specialist and Coordinator of Sustainable Cities Program, GEF**
- Closing remarks: **Francoise Clottes, Director, Policy, Partnership & Operations Unit, GEF**

### About the BBL:

Public participation and good governance and policies are critical for system transformation for lasting and transformative impacts and recognized as key levers for transformational change. For GEF to proactively support recipient countries as they embark on green and blue recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, it is critical that programs and projects are anchored in a whole-of-government framework as well as key transboundary governance models for the global environment. These approaches will create opportunities to foster coherence and cross-sectoral institutional integration in formulating policies and ensure that environmental priorities are mainstreamed at all levels. Active participation of relevant line ministries and cross-sector coalitions are instrumental in achieving the project goals.

This BBL will introduce two projects supported by the GEF, which effectively established innovative governance mechanisms and policies to strengthen a landscape level of approach towards maximizing environmental benefits. At the same time, both projects succeeded in achieving active participation of local communities, including vulnerable groups, women, and youth, by strengthening socio-economic benefits and food security, and revitalizing community social networks. Finally, the BBL will discuss the key lessons learned specific to people's participation and governance and policy.

### Speaker Bios:



**Silvia Morimoto** is the Resident Representative in the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Paraguay. A senior development practitioner with 25 years of professional experiences in international development assistance management, she holds a post graduate degree in Business Administration (Fundação Getúlio Vargas) and a graduate degree in Accounting (Centro Universitario de Brasília). Silvia served as Country Director of UNDP Argentina (2018-2019) and as Senior Country Advisor o UNDP Myanmar (2017). She was previously Chief of Staff and Strategic Planning and Oversight of the UNDP Asia and the Pacific (RBAP) based in NY (2012-2017).



**Jorge Bosch** is the Vice Minister of Urbanism and Focal Point from the Ministry of Urbanism, Housing and Habitat, Republic of Paraguay. Trained as an architect at the National University of Asunción, Jorge earned his Masters in Finance from the University Autonomous University of Asunción. He has continued training courses on architecture and town planning. He has vast national and international experience. In 2001 the State of New York granted Jorge an architect's license and for many years, from his architecture studio,



he carried out numerous works in the USA, Paraguay, Ecuador and other countries. He was President of the Society of Architects of New York and is a life member of the Board of Directors. He was Planning Manager and Chief of Staff of CONAVI, and since 2018 he has been Vice Minister of Urban Planning and Habitat, at the Ministry of Urbanism, Housing and Habitat (MUVH).



**Ivan Cossio Cortez** is a Country Representative to Indonesia, Papua New Guinea and Malaysia, and Head of the IFAD South East Asia and the Pacific Sub-regional Hub. Before moving to Indonesia, he was the Chief of the IFAD Quality Assurance Group (2015-2019), and the IFAD Country Director for Brazil, Mexico and Cuba (2007-2015). Prior to IFAD, he worked in FAO (2000-2007) as a Chief Technical Advisor on Programme Evaluation and Policy Analysis in Mexico. Before joining FAO, he was a Secretary of Rural Development of the Government of Bolivia (1993-1996); Director of the Support Program for Food Security financed by the European Union (1996-1997); consultant in Latin American countries (1997-2000); and had also worked in NGOs supporting small farmers' economy, researching on land tenure, and strengthening rural financial services institutions.



**Sri Parwati Murwani Budisusanti** is Director of Peatland Degradation Control in the Ministry of Environment and Forestry (MoEF), and Project Director for Sustainable Management of Peatland Ecosystems in Indonesia (SMPEI). She has more than 30 years' experience in natural resources managements as a government officer. She has a masters degree in Environmental Management and Policy from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York.



**Xueman Wang** is a Senior Urban Specialist of the World Bank. She leads the World Bank's Global Platform for Sustainable Cities (GPSC) as well as the work on the design of the International Energy Efficiency Facility to promote green bonds. She was a team leader for the World Bank's Partnership for Market Readiness, which is a global program for supporting countries to prepare and implement carbon pricing schemes, such as emissions trading and carbon taxes. She has played a critical role in helping China develop national carbon markets. She was one of the lead authors for the 2010 World Development Report – "Development and Climate Change."

**Good Practice Briefs** are available [here](#), and **the two examples highlighted at this GEF BBL** can be found via the below links:

- [Good Practice Brief \(2021/5\): Innovative Governance for Participatory Design of a Green Cities: Land-use Planning, Sustainable Mobility, Solid Waste Management, and Urban Biodiversity Conservation in Paraguay <IAP Sustainable Cities>](#)
- [Good Practice Brief \(2022/2\): Enhancing Engagement of Private sector and Local Communities on Peatland Management: Innovative Policies and Monitoring System in Indonesia](#)

#### Location:

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