



India Practitioner Lab Climate Finance

20 November 2018, Waterstones Hotel Mumbai

Scaling up Climate Finance through Innovation

India is one of the hubs for climate finance in Asia. International and national public institutions, donors, banks and investors are already channelling significant amounts of money into climate finance, but challenges exist in the creation of a steady deal flow in the private sector. Well-designed climate finance products that reduce investors' risks, enhance their expected returns or bridge existing infrastructure gaps can help to catalyse the deal flow in the private sector bridging the missing-middle gap in India. The Practitioner Lab Climate Finance catalyses this process by drawing on experience and expertise from local champions to identify, prototype, and design the next generation of climate finance products. Those prototyped products will provide concrete solutions to challenges faced in climate finance, and can build new mechanisms, attract new investors, and help to increase the deal flow into projects and enterprises. The Practitioner Lab responds to the importance of the deal flow and missing middle challenge by prototyping project-ready solutions complementing existing processes and by moving quickly from idea to impact.

How do we scale early-stage climate financing products to trigger large-scale action towards a low-carbon economy in India?

The Lab invites leaders from investors, banks, development finance institutions, foundations, governments, innovators and intermediaries. Invited participants comprise senior level financial experts, practitioners and business leaders. By drawing on the experience and expertise of local practitioners and experts the Lab will ensure that the prototyped financial products address real-life financing challenges.

The event is part of the implementation of "Financing and capacity building for micro and small climate-smart enterprises: Filling the gap of the missing middle", a project supported by the **German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety**.

Programme, 20 November 2018

13:00 – 14:00	Networking Lunch
14:00 – 14:15	Welcome to the Lab <i>Setting the scene for new participants</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEED
14:15 – 15:30	Building India's Climate Finance Ecosystem: the role of early-stage financing? Public-Private Dialogue <p>Appropriate financing products are a key success factor for the uptake of early-stage climate-smart SMEs in India. Panelists will discuss the importance of creating an ecosystem and the conditions required to strengthen innovative financing products critical to unlock the potential of climate-smart SMEs.</p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private Commercial Bank Government Body Climate-Smart Enterprise Private Investor <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEED
15:30 – 15:45	Networking Break
15:45 – 17:00	Next Generation Climate Finance Products: the innovations we need Transition Lab: Showcase <p>The product developers share success stories and lessons on their work on innovative financing products providing concrete examples on how next generation climate financing products could be designed.</p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Product on Decentralised Renewable Energy Financing Product on Carbon Market Financing for Waste-SMEs Product on Mainstreaming Green Projects in Commercial Banking <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEED

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