Climate Services for Resilient Development Partnership

Climate Services for Resilient Development (CSRD) is an international public-private partnership committed to working with partners and countries around the globe in support of increasing resilience to climate variability and change. CSRD is a unique and innovative addition to the fast-growing field of climate services.

CSRD was founded by eight partner institutions: the United States Government, the American Red Cross, Asian Development Bank, Inter-American Development Bank, Esri, Google, the Skoll Global Threats Fund and the U.K. Government.

CSRD’s core commitment is to foster climate services that enable decision makers to address significant problems and create solutions in a variety of sectors. Toward this end, CSRD supports user-centric, collaborative climate services that effectively harness the power of information, technology, and innovation from around the world.

CSRD aims to build local capacity to sustain the development and application of scalable and replicable climate services, starting in an initial three focus countries: Colombia, Ethiopia, and Bangladesh.

This partnership will promote knowledge sharing, learning, and the identification of good practices. By enabling better management of climate risks, CSRD contributes to the vision of the Global Framework for Climate Services.

**WHAT ARE CLIMATE SERVICES?**
Climate services involve the production, translation, transfer, and use of climate knowledge and information in climate-informed decision making and climate-smart policy and planning. Climate services empower countries and communities to anticipate and manage risks and opportunities by applying the best available climate science to decision-making across time scales and sectors, including agriculture, water, health, and disaster risk management.

**COLOMBIA**
“Climate resilience is an urgent development priority that requires critical, immediate, and informed decisions based on sound, readily available climate data and information. Access to the right information will make a difference measured in lives saved, damage prevented, and resources invested in climate smart development activities.”

*Pablo Vieiria, Vice-Minister of Environment Colombia*

**ETHIOPIA**
“Ethiopia is a climatically diverse country and hence the expected adverse impacts will be very locally specific. Therefore, we need to invest in our climate analysis, forecasting and monitoring capabilities. Climate information packaged in a way that is physically and cognitively available to the diverse users is essential.”

*H.E. Girma Biru, Ambassador of Ethiopia to the United States*

**BANGLADESH**
“Bangladesh is one of the frontline countries experiencing climate change. Responsive strategies require pre-disaster activities including the development and enhancement of early warning and forecasting capabilities that define measures geared to take appropriate action when faced with an imminent threat or an actual disaster.”

*H.E. Mohammad Ziauddin, Ambassador of Bangladesh to the United States*