Name of the Event:
Adaptation Action Coalition Health Launch: Building climate resilient health systems

Short description (50-100 characters):
The Adaptation Action Coalition, working in partnership with WHO will bring together key actors, who are in a position to take action within governments and the health, climate and planning sectors, to highlight the links between climate and health and to push for increased ambition on building health systems resilient to climate change. The session will cover best practice on building climate resilient health systems, and discuss strategies and actions needed to drive higher ambition in this area. The session will focus on the launch of the Adaptation Action Coalition’s building climate resilient health systems campaign and will conclude with a call to action for countries to make commitments to protect their population through improving the resilience of their health system.

Programme

Weekday, May 6 2021 (9-11 AM)

Moderator: Dr Maria Neira, Director Environment, Climate Change, Health, WHO

09.00 – 09.15 Welcoming Remarks
Anne-Marie Trevelyan, UK Minister of State for Business, Energy and Clean Growth and International Champion on Adaptation and Resilience for the COP26 Presidency

Lord Bethell, Minister for Innovation at Department of Health and Social Care, UK

09.15 – 09.25 Dr. Ifereimi Waqainabete, Minister of Health Fiji and Representative of the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) – Official Launch of COP26 Adaptation Action Coalition on Health: Building climate resilient health systems

09.25 – 09.45 Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director General WHO – keynote on Healthy Argument for Climate Action and the Green and Healthy Recovery from COVID19 – followed by a WHO Technical presentation
Invited reflections on how Ministries of Health and Environment should work together on building climate resilient health systems, and enhance strategies and actions needed to drive higher ambition in climate change and health

**Teresa Ribera**, Vice-President and Minister for the Ecological Transition and Demographic Challenge, Spain

Other Invited speakers

MOH Ethiopia, TBD, MOH Bhutan, MOE Chile (TBC)

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Invited comments from representatives of the public health community and young medical students:

**Sonia Roschnik**, Health Care Without Harm (HCWH)

Dr **Jeni Miller**, Executive Director, Global Climate and Health Alliance (GCHA)

**Omnia El Omrani**, International Federation of Medical Students Associations (IFMSA)

Ms **Emma Flaherty**, The Risk-informed Early Action Partnership (REAP) Secretariat

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Closing remarks

**Vijay Rangarajan**, Director General Americas and Overseas Territories, UK Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO)