Invitation to a High Level Seminar

Frontiers in Climate, Resilience & Security

Co-arranged by Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Sweden, Stockholm Resilience Centre and SIPRI

Friday 8 December 2017 at 13:30 – 15:45
Coffee and light refreshments will be served from 13:00
Location: Gustav Adolfs Torg 1 (room Sofia Albertina)

Mitigating climate change and its negative security implications is a priority for the Swedish government. Climate change related phenomena such as rising sea-levels, drought and resource scarcities are contributing conditions to social unrest and human insecurity, for example by affecting livelihoods, food security and migration. There is a need to better identify and respond to the risks of instability and conflict arising from the interaction of climate change, environmental and ecological degradation and social, economic, demographic and political factors.

Join this high-level seminar where Sweden's Ministers for Foreign Affairs and International Development Cooperation and Climate will reflect on response strategies to climate-related security challenges together with international experts within the field.

The seminar will also include thematic presentations looking at the specific risks of insecurity arising from the interaction of climate change with food, water, health and gender.

13:30-13:35 Welcome and introduction

13:35-13:50 Climate and Security – a Swedish foreign policy priority

Ms. Margot Wallström, Minister for Foreign Affairs

13:50-14:25 Frontiers in Climate, Resilience and Conflict Prevention

Ms. Isabella Lövin, Minister for International Development Cooperation and Climate Mr. Johan Rockström, director Stockholm Resilience Centre

Mr. Dan Smith, director Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI)

14.25-14.45 Reflections from the audience

14:45-15:25 Panel discussion and thematic presentations

Food, climate and security, Nina von Uexkull, Assistant Professor at the Department of Conflict Research at Uppsala University and Associate Senior Researcher at the Peace Research Institute Oslo

Water, climate and security, *Maria Vink, Programme Manager at Stockholm International Water Institute*

Health, climate and security, *Helena Nordenstedt, Assistant Professsor Global Health Karolinska institutet and Fellow SIGHT (Swedish Institute for Global Health transformation)* **Gender, climate and security**, *Amiera Sawas, Researcher at SIPRI*

15:25-15:40 Reflections from the audience

15:40-15:45 Summary and wrap-up