COST Workshop on Knowledge-Creation and Capacity-Building for Actions in Climate-Induced Migration

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Summarising Report

Over the 15th and 16th July 2013, the COST Workshop on *Knowledge-Creation and Capacity-Building for Actions in Climate-Induced Migration* was held in Hamburg, Germany. The international event was hosted in the Climate Service Center, which served as co-organiser along side the KlimaCampus Research Group Climate Change and Security (CLISEC) of the University of Hamburg. This workshop saw the convergence of selected experts, practitioners, researchers and policy-makers to bring wide ranging insights into the complex nexus of climate change and migration. The participants numbered around 18; coming from across the globe and providing case studies and research from Alaska, Colombia, Nepal to Benin and beyond. The overall aim was to improve knowledge, capacity building and management approaches concerning climate change and migration, through an action based perspective.

Each participant presented their knowledge and findings to the small congregation, before breaking off into three carefully designed working groups. These working groups focused on the themes of: *migration and the limits of adaptation, migration as an adaptation strategy, migration and the urbanization challenge.* They addressed crucial challenges and questions that each of these issues will present in practice. The round up session saw presentations from each group based on the draft of a working policy brief, providing ways forward to both frame and address each theme. The groups are currently working towards concluding these policy briefs, with the aim of presenting them in the COP process in 2014.