

Title	Restoring Tropical Peatland for Climate Action	
Organizer	World Resources Institute Indonesia, and World Resources Institute India	
Type of event	Discussion forum; Seminar	
Venue	Room 303	
Date/Time	Wednesday, 19 June; 11:00-12:30	
Event description		
<p>Tropical peatlands are important because of their role in storing a large amount of carbon. Unfortunately, peatland degradation due to draining and peat burning, continue to persist in regions where tropical peatlands exist, such as in Indonesia, Malaysia, and the Mekong region. Peat restoration is crucial to return the ecological functions of degraded peatlands and improve the livelihoods of local communities living around peatlands. In this event, we would like to convene peat experts and stakeholders from Asia to discuss challenges in restoring degraded peatlands and to identify key success factors (if any) of peatland restoration. WRI Indonesia would like to discuss its upcoming publication, Restoration Opportunities Assessment Methodology for Tropical Peatlands, which hopefully could benefit those planning to restore degraded peatlands in the region.</p>		
Time	Speaker / Panelist	Theme
11.00-11.05	Dr. Satrio Adi Wicaksono (WRI Indonesia)	Opening remarks for Partner Event “Restoring Tropical Peatland for Climate Action”
11.05-11.10	Herman Deru, M.M. (Governor of South Sumatra Province, Indonesia)	Opening remarks from Governor of South Sumatra Province, Indonesia
11.10-11.25	Dr. Eli Nur Nirmala Sari (WRI Indonesia)	Opening presentation and remarks for partner event (background, purpose and target)
11.25-11.40	Herman Deru, M.M. (Governor of South Sumatra Province, Indonesia)	1 st Panelist’s Presentation: The involvement of related parties/stakeholders in strategy for protection and management of peat ecosystems in South Sumatra
11.40-11.55	Jerome L. Montemayor, MS ESEM (International Institute of Rural Reconstruction (IIRR), the Philippines)	2 nd Panelist’s Presentation: An update of Peatland Management and Restoration in the Philippines: Challenges and Opportunities
11.55-12.10	Dr. Le Phat Quoi (National University, HCM City, Vietnam)	3 rd Panelist’s Presentation: An Update of Peatland Management and Restoration in Mekong Countries: Challenges and Opportunities
12.10-12.25	Dr. Eli Nur Nirmala Sari (WRI Indonesia)	Interactive discussion on ‘ROAM for Tropical Peatlands’ and the development of degraded peatlands restoration planning
12.25-12.30	Dr. Eli Nur Nirmala Sari (WRI Indonesia)	Closing and wrap-up: Conclusions from the discussions results of the three panelists in the discussion of peatland restoration planning.