Humanitarian and Development Approaches to Climate Change Migration, Displacement and Resettlement

Informal Lunch Roundtable on Climate Change and Human Mobility

Tuesday, April 3, 2012, 12.00 pm – 1:30 pm
The Brookings Institution, Somers Room, 1775 Massachusetts Ave, NW, Washington, DC

Climate change poses unique challenges for humanitarian and development actors trying to address issues related to migration, displacement and planned resettlement. In particular, how do humanitarian, development and climate change researchers and practitioners cross traditional divides to learn from one other? To foster discussions around this important issue, the Brookings-LSE Project on Internal Displacement will host an informal roundtable for humanitarian and development practitioners as well as climate change researchers on 3 April to discuss the gaps between humanitarian and development approaches and initiatives with respect to climate change and human mobility. What are the lessons to be learned and the best practices that can be shared? The forum will also provide a forum for sharing information about current and planned research on climate change and human mobility and to discuss areas where further research is needed.

While this is an open and participatory roundtable, we will ask some participants to make brief remarks to get the discussion going. We will also provide a call-in option for those who cannot attend in person. A light lunch will be served.

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The roundtable will be preceded by a public panel discussions on "Climate change migration, displacement and resettlement: Addressing the legal gaps" from 10.00 – 11.30 am at the Brookings Institution, Washington, DC. Panelists will be Jane McAdam, Elizabeth Ferris and Michelle Klein Solomon