

Climate Change: Implications and Promising Practices; Friday, April 17th, 9-10:30 a.m.

Discussion questions and notes

1) How can and do international development programs contribute to climate change?

- Sending food overseas
- Using plastic bottles

2) What can organizations and we do to mitigate the results of climate change?

- Fly less?
 - Do more video conferencing
- Use hybrid cars in the field
- Public-private partnerships
- Transmedia approaches
- Further awareness of long-term effects
- Rwanda conference, plastic bag ban

3) Next Steps

- How to respect traditional knowledge
 - Respect self-esteem of community
 - Mobile phones integration
- Do more BAs (behavioral assessments) on behaviors, because not adopting. Why?
- Resilience is still using experience
 - Complementary techniques
- This is the new normal, affects program cycle
- Be climate smart, look at maternal and child health, gender, etc.
 - Sessions
 - Advocacy
- Share TOPS (USAID/Food for Peace-funded Technical and Operational Performance Support program) definitions of climate change, resilience, disaster risk-reduction
- Get someone from TANGO International to do a plenary at future CORE Group Conference (Fall 2015?)
- Get briefs out regarding climate change and health, nutrition, etc.

For thought: What makes a project related to climate change and not simply another topic area (nutrition, environment, agriculture)?