

COBENEFITS Policy Workshop

The road from Paris to Bonn and beyond:
Mobilizing the social and economic
co-benefits of climate change mitigation



1. Working towards an ambitious international climate & renewable energy agenda

The social and economic co-benefits of climate change mitigation and renewable energies have become key drivers of the global transition towards the new renewable energy world. These developments correspond to an observable paradigm shift – from ‘burden sharing’ to an increasing degree of ‘opportunity sharing’ – a shift that was reflected in the 2015 Paris Climate Agreement. Given urgency of bold and timely climate action the co-benefits of climate change mitigation should be mobilized further to accelerate the global transition towards renewable energies and help limit the dangerous consequences of global warming.

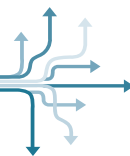
Germany as established a number of strategic climate and energy partnerships with countries such as South Africa, India, Turkey and Vietnam

to work towards an ambitious international climate and renewable energy agenda. The IASS-COBENEFITS Policy Workshop brings together distinguished experts from these countries to share their perspectives on the current and potential future role of social and economic co-benefits in climate and energy policy.

Building on the COBENEFITS Project of Germany’s International Climate Initiative (IKI), led by the Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies, policy options to integrate the Co-Benefits approach to the International climate architecture of the Paris Agreement will be discussed with in this international setting with inputs from representatives of key Ministries of Germany.

Guiding questions

1. Which role do the social and economic co-benefits of renewable energies play in climate and energy policies of Germany, South Africa, Turkey, Vietnam and India?
2. Through which policy options could the co-benefit perspective help to facilitate a successful implementation of the Paris Agreement?
3. How could the co-benefits of climate change mitigation be strategically mobilized to better connect climate change mitigation, renewable energies and sustainable development opportunities (SDGs)?



2. Agenda | 25 October 2017

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25 Welcome Coffee: 13:30 – 14:00

Start 14:00/Closing 18:00 with subsequent evening reception

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1. Welcome & Introduction: Sebastian Helgenberger (COBENEFITS Project Leader) & Ortwin Renn (IASS Scientific Director)

 2. Opening talk (Ortwin Renn): Energy transitions: adding opportunity to the sustainability narrative

 3. Discussing policy options to mobilize the co-benefit perspective for a successful implementation of the Paris Agreement (Sebastian Helgenberger & Konrad Görtler)

 4. Coffee Break

 5. The global view: current and potential role of Co-Benefits in climate and energy policies of South Africa, Turkey, Vietnam and India, with impulse talks by the International Circle of COBENEFITS partners

 6. The road from Paris to Bonn and beyond: Mobilizing the social and economic co-benefits of climate change mitigation, with impulse statements by the Policy Circle (AA, BMZ, BMWi and others)

 7. Conclusions and Cocktail

After the official closing all participants are invited to join the evening reception, where a light dinner will be served.



3. Workshop format and impulse statements

The workshop is organized in an interactive café setting, facilitated by the IASS team.

Based on invited impulse talks by representatives of German ministries and the international

partners of the COBENEFITS project, in total 30 invited participants will find an interactive environment to exchange and develop views along the guiding questions of the workshop.

International Circle

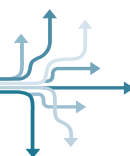
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Mustafa Berke	Turkey	Istanbul Policy Centre (IPC)
Aayushi Awasthy	India	The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)
Nguy Thi Khanh	Vietnam	Green Innovation and Development Centre (Green ID)

Policy Circle

Name	Affiliation
Hans Koeppel	Head of Unit "Foreign Policy, Issues of the Energiewende", AA, Federal Foreign Office
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Bilun Müller	Division „International and External Energy Policy“, BMWI, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy
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Workshop Facilitators

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4. Participants

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Cecilia Strandberg	Renewables Academy (RENAC)
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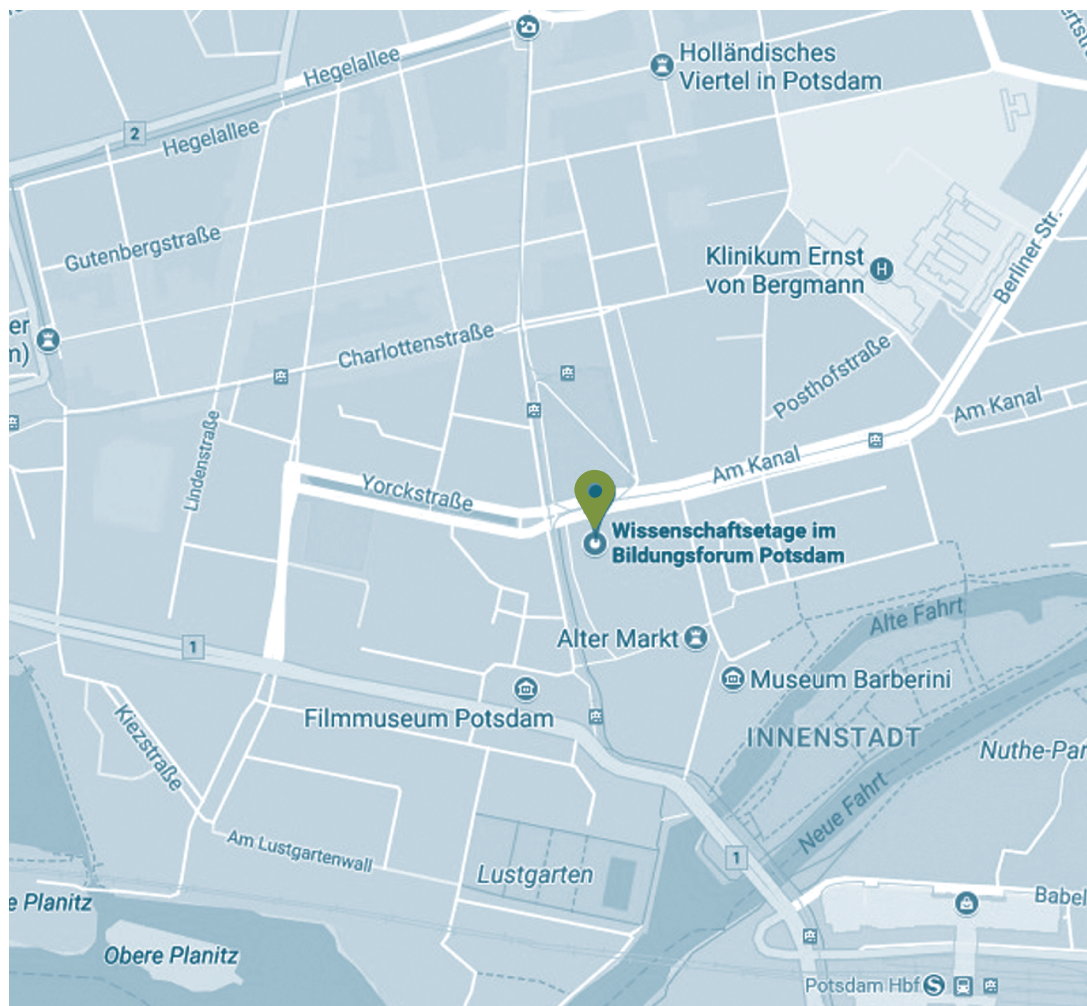
4. Meeting Venue

The workshop will take place at the Wissenschaftsetage of the Bildungsforum Potsdam.

Address:

Bildungsforum Potsdam, Am Kanal 47
Wissenschaftsetage, 4. OG
14467 Potsdam
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Directions by public transport

Take from Central Station (Hauptbahnhof) Potsdam tramline 93, 94 or 99 and get off at the stop “Platz der Einheit/Bildungsforum”.

If the weather is fine you can also take a direct walk from Potsdam Central Station, which will take around 15 Minutes (see above map)

Directions by car

Take the A115 from Berlin. Take the exit Potsdam-Babelsberg in the direction of „Potsdam Zentrum” until you reach the Berliner Straße, turn left and then you reach automatically the street called “Am Kanal”.



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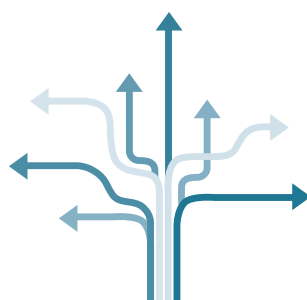
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