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# Investing in Adaptation at Scale: A Systematic Approach to Building Resilience in Cities

As climate change intensifies, enhancing urban resilience becomes vital to safeguard cities from increasing threats, including flooding, extreme heat, and other natural disasters. Strategic infrastructure investments focusing on flood risk management, resilient buildings, and climate-smart measures, alongside policies for sustainable land use and community engagement, are essential for strengthening urban resilience. This session will delve into the need for a systematic approach that combines innovative financing mechanisms, robust infrastructure development, and effective risk management strategies for urban development. A panel of experts from the public and private sectors will discuss the challenges and opportunities in advancing the urban resilience agenda through both investment projects and policy support.

## SPEAKERS

Opening Remarks	<b>Amit Prothi</b>	Director General, Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI)
Moderator	<b>Julija Polycarp</b>	Climate Change Specialist, Sectors, Themes and Finance Solutions department, AIIB
Panelists	<b>Ede Ijjasz-Vásquez</b>	Senior Advisor to CEO, Global Centre on Adaptation (GCA)
	<b>Gianpiero Nanci</b>	Director, Sustainable Business and Infrastructure, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
	<b>Varad Pande</b>	Partner & Director, Climate & Sustainability, Boston Consulting Group (BCG)
	<b>Veronica Scotti</b>	Chair, Public Sector Solutions, Swiss RE
	<b>Catherine Simonet</b>	Senior Climate Adaptation Specialist, Agence Francaise de Development (AFD) (TBC)

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