## Building resilience: ecosystem-based adaptation in policy and practice

#### UNFCCC COP20 side event

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#### Above

Residents undertake a community resource mapping exercise near Kabale, Uganda.

#### Front

Mangroves © Olga Khoroshunova. Ecosystems play a vital role in building resilience both globally and locally. Their role in adapting to a changing climate is gaining interest worldwide, and ecosystem-based approaches such as mangrove restoration are being implemented by a range of communities. But how effective are these approaches? How do they compare to engineered ones? And how are they integrated into adaptation policy and practice?

BirdLife International and the Royal Society host a discussion on the role of ecosystem-based adaptation in building resilience to extreme weather. Professor Virgilio Viana, CEO of Fundação Amazonas Sustentável and member of the Royal Society's working group, will present findings from the newly-published *Resilience to extreme weather* report. This will be followed by a discussion among policymakers, practitioners and the audience.

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