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# **Is Adaptation Success a Flawed Concept?**

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**12:00 – 1:30 pm | ENR2 Building, Room S107**

There has been a focus on measuring and defining climate adaptation effectiveness both as an academic pursuit and as a goal of international climate policy processes. However, defining adaptation success is a challenging goal, because of differing baselines, time frames for analysis, perspectives of actors, and value orientations. This talk will review these challenges, raise questions, and suggest paths forward for future research and practice for setting climate adaptation goals and evaluating success.

