Thematic Session
Women

Indonesian Cases of Responding to the Climate Crisis throughout Mangrove Forest Health Monitoring in Sumatera and Women's Participation in Local Economies

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This Indonesian cases of responding to the climate crisis show the voice and situation of the site on gender equality, especially women's participation in the climate change adaptation in coastal areas. Women involve in protecting their environment from abrasion through planting and monitoring mangrove forest. Women gain economic benefits from mangrove ecosystem such as producing mangrove tea leaves and seafood. Women in the community understood that a poor environment poses a risk to human health; and a good environment is a necessary precondition of good health and sustainable local economic development.

Thus, this project is relevant to the realization of people's rights, especially rights of vulnerable people, such as women in coastal areas, to a healthy, a safe, clean, decent, unpolluted favorable and suitable environment. This project is run by local mangrove community in collaboration with various stakeholders such as local government, local NGOs, and academia.