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EFFECTIVE RISK MANAGEMENT WITH A SOCIAL LENS:

THE IMPORTANCE OF SOCIAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS, HOUSE-
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Climate shocks disproportionately impact the poor and push non-poor households into poverty. In the Caribbean, where at least one Caribbean country is expected to be hit by a major hurricane each year, the importance of ensuring that appropriate systems are in place to mitigate these household-level impacts cannot be understated. There are emerging and interesting experiences in the Caribbean on using social protection information systems, quantifying household vulnerability and risk, and expanding risk financing options to the poor. At the same time, there remains several challenges which continue to constrain effective household-level response and financing in the region.

This session will bring together technical experts from governments and international organizations to discuss how disaster preparedness and response at the household level could be better supported by ex-ante vulnerability analysis; efficient ex-post household impact assessments; social information systems, and established financing mechanisms to ensure households are responded to quickly.

Moderator:

- Kate Milliken, Climate Change Adviser, UN World Food Programme

Speakers:

- Mr. Odney. Director of the Planning Unit, Ministère des Affaires Sociales et du Travail, Haiti
- Jacqueline Shepherd, Manager for Disaster, Rehabilitation and Welfare Management at the Ministry of Labour and Social Security, Jamaica
- Thibaut Humbert, disaster risk financing consultant, the World Bank

