

NAP Expo 2015:
Realizing the National Adaptation Plan process

14-15 April 2015
Kameha Grand Hotel, Bonn, Germany

Background

The objectives of the NAP Expo in 2015 are to:

- a) Provide a platform for focused interactions on aspects of the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans through special events and training opportunities;
- b) Offer an opportunity for countries to exchange information on their adaptation planning activities;
- c) Serve as a forum for sharing technical knowledge on adaptation assessments and programme design;
- d) Exchange best practices on approaches to address common vulnerabilities and climate change risks;
- e) Offer a platform for countries and those providing technical and financial support to interact.

The agreed objectives of the NAP process are:

- a) to reduce vulnerability to the impacts of climate change, by building adaptive capacity and resilience;
- b) to facilitate the integration of climate change adaptation, in a coherent manner, into relevant new and existing policies, programmes and activities, in particular development planning processes and strategies, within all relevant sectors and at different levels, as appropriate (decision 5/CP.17, paragraph 1).

To read further on the NAP process, please follow <<http://unfccc.int/6057>>.

Format and approach

The NAP Expo will be organized in an interactive manner with a limited number of plenary sessions and a focus on parallel sessions to stimulate discussions and maximize exchange of information and sharing of experiences.

The parallel sessions will be facilitated by different organizations and may include discussions on various NAP themes and topics. The sessions may be conducted in different interactive formats, such as, but not limited to, short clinics, panel discussion or training sessions. Syntheses of the discussions will be presented in the plenary the following day.

Organizers of the Expo

The LDC Expert Group (LEG), supported by an Advisory Group that includes the Adaptation Committee (AC) and several programmes and organizations.

Web presence:

- Interactive NAP Expo page: <http://napexpo.org/2015>
- Web page: <http://unfccc.int/8887>
- Twitter hashtag: #NAPExpo
- Facebook: Adaptation Exchange at <https://www.facebook.com/The.Adaptation.Exchange>

Programme

Day 1: 14 April	
08:00 – 09:00	Registration and sign up for parallel sessions
09:00 – 09:20	Opening chaired by <i>Batu Uprety, LEG Chair</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Batu Uprety, <i>LEG Chair</i> - Giza Gaspar Martins, <i>LDC Chair (TBC)</i> - Amena Yauvoli, <i>SBI Chair</i>
09:20 – 10:00	Session I: Introductory presentations
	<p>Overview presentations on the support and guidance to countries in the process to formulate and implement NAPs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG). <i>Batu Uprety</i> - Adaptation Committee (AC). <i>Juan Hoffmaister</i>
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee/Tea Break (Assembly for breakout groups)
10:30 – 12:30	Session II. Parallel thematic sessions
	<p>I. Applying the technical guidelines for the process to formulate and implement NAPs. <i>LEG</i></p> <p>The session/clinic with the LEG focuses on how to apply and align the NAP technical guidelines with country processes. This also provides the opportunity to solicit first hand guidance from the LEG on applying the NAP technical guidelines.</p> <p>II. Data and information requirements for adaptation. <i>WMO/GFCS, UNESCO</i></p> <p>The session will explore how scientific data, information and indigenous knowledge can support climate change adaptation.</p> <p>Background presentation(s) from invited experts will set the stage for a moderated panel discussion in which experts representing countries and practitioners will discuss issues related to data availability and access, hazard characterization and prediction, and risk and impact assessment. The discussions will draw from concrete country examples.</p> <p>III. Building national capacities for the process to formulate and implement NAPs. <i>NAP-GSP (UNDP, UNEP)</i></p> <p>A showcase of country experiences on the NAPA and how it builds the way towards launching the process to formulate and implement NAPs. The session will also discuss the existing support windows under the NAP-GSP specifically on building the capacities of countries for adaptation planning.</p> <p>IV. Meeting of the NAP technical working group. <i>CI, GWP, ICIMOD, LEG</i></p> <p>Meeting of the working group on supplements to the technical guidelines to explore coherence and integrated approaches and methods. Limited participation.</p>
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 16:00	Session III. Parallel thematic sessions
	<p>I. Agriculture sector in the process to formulate and implement NAPs. <i>FAO and WFP</i></p> <p>The session will showcase FAO and WFPs's existing programs and initiatives on agriculture sector, including fisheries and forestry, specifically on how it support the process to formulate and implement NAPs. They will also provide details on its future engagement on the NAP process.</p> <p>II. Ecosystem-based approaches to adaptation in practice and synergies with the</p>

	<p>Convention on Biological Diversity. <i>CBD Secretariat</i></p> <p>This session will showcase the role of biodiversity and ecosystems services in assisting people to adapt to climate change, and their inclusion as part of an overall adaptation strategy. Presentations in this session will highlight the successes that have been achieved using ecosystem-based approaches to adaptation, and discuss ways to strengthen and upscale current efforts.</p> <p>III. Supporting monitoring and evaluation of adaptation at the national level. <i>GIZ</i></p> <p>The session will address questions on how M&E of the NAP process and M&E of adaptation outcomes differ. It will tackle challenges inherent in measuring adaptation and currently existing possible methods and approaches. The session is also an opportunity to share country cases presenting national M&E systems and peer-to-peer exchange.</p> <p>IV. Meeting of the NAP technical working group. <i>CI, GWP, ICIMOD, LEG</i></p> <p>Meeting of the working group on supplements to the technical guidelines to explore coherence and integrated approaches and methods. Limited participation.</p>
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee/Tea Break (Assembly for breakout groups)
16:30 – 18:30	Session IV: Parallel thematic sessions
	<p>I. Enhancing coordinated bilateral support for undertaking NAPs. <i>NAP Global Network</i></p> <p>The session aims to discuss and expound on existing bilateral support for the NAP process as well as the available support instruments. It also aims to explore how countries can improve the matchmaking of support needs and available offers, and to determine how the NAP Global Network can enhance coordinated support. A best practice example on donor coordination for climate change will be showcased.</p> <p>II. Civil society expectations on the national adaptation plan process. <i>Southern Voices</i></p> <p>The session will discuss the roles of civil society in the process to formulate and implement NAPs as well as showcase success stories of civil society engagement in national adaptation plans and programs.</p> <p>III. Communicating NAPs to multiple stakeholders. <i>Yale University</i></p> <p>A discussion on how to leverage enhanced communications as an important component in the process to formulate and implement NAPs. Country experiences would help substantiate the discussion, particularly the discussion on how country specific communication strategies could support adaptation-planning efforts.</p> <p>IV. Meeting of the NAP technical working group. <i>CI, GWP, ICIMOD, LEG</i></p> <p>Meeting of the working group on supplements to the technical guidelines to explore coherence and integrated approaches and methods. Limited participation.</p>

Day 2: 15 April	
09:00 – 9:30	Session V. Reflection on the parallel sessions of Day 1
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09:30 – 10:30	Session VI. Plenary panel discussion
	The role of regional networks in supporting adaptation plans and policies <i>moderated by Saleem Huq, ICCCAD</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Masataka Watanabe, GAN/APAN - Peniamina Leavai, SPREP - Johnson Nkem, ACPC - Carlos Fuller, CCCCC
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee/Tea Break
11:00 – 13:00	Session VII. Parallel thematic session on cross-cutting issues of NAPs
	<p>I. Formulating medium- to long-term implementation strategies <i>facilitated by Bubu Jallow, The Gambia</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Defining national criteria for prioritizing implementation of adaptation, <i>Ugyen Tshering, Bhutan</i> - Quantifying costs of adaptation, <i>Isatou Camara, The Gambia</i> - Lessons learned from developing adaptation programmes under the GEF, <i>Roland Sundstrom, GEF</i> <p>II. Integrating climate change adaptation in development planning <i>facilitated by Beth Lavender, NRCAN</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National strategies on integrating climate change adaptation, <i>Minh Nhat LE, Vietnam</i> - Fostering existing coordination mechanisms for implementing adaptation actions, <i>TBD</i> - Setting up national climate funds and budget codes, <i>Ram Prasad Lamsal, Nepal</i> <p>III. Adaptation across scales: temporal and spatial perspectives <i>facilitated by Shyla Raghav, CI</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Achieving coherence across levels and scales, <i>TBD</i> - Integrated assessment approaches, <i>Jacob Tio, Philippines</i> - Consideration of temporal scale in adaptation. <i>Philip Gwage, Uganda</i> <p>IV. Regional approaches and NAPs <i>facilitated by Johnson Nkem, ACPC</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Joint national adaptation plans (JNAPs), <i>Brian Philips, Vanuatu</i> - Transboundary water resources, <i>Andrew Takawira, GWP</i> - PAN African Initiative, <i>Elena Villalobos, WHO</i>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 16:00	Session VIII. Parallel thematic session
	<p>I. Considerations of gender and vulnerable groups <i>facilitated by Aarjan Dixit, CARE International</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Country experiences highlighting tools and methods <p>II. A focus on agriculture and water sectors <i>facilitated by GWP and FAO</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consultation on the existing supplementary materials for water and agriculture <p>III. Envisioning a NAP process at the country level <i>facilitated by Thinley Namgyel and Jan Verhagen, LEG Members</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Element A. Laying the groundwork and address gaps - Element B. Preparatory elements

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Element C. Implementation strategies - Element D. Reporting, monitoring and review <p>IV. Mobilizing financial and technical support for the process to formulate and implement NAPs <i>facilitated by John Furlow, USAID</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What are available forms of support and how can countries mobilize resources to finance NAP activities?
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee/Tea Break
16:30 – 17:00	Summary presentation of key issues/messages in the parallel sessions
17:00 – 18:00	Session IX. Plenary session on key topics
	<p>Keynote: Flood risks in a changing climate. <i>Piet Dircke, Rotterdam University</i></p> <p>Keynote: Successful adaptation. <i>Susanne Moser, Woods Institute for the Environment, Stanford University</i></p>
18:00 – 18:10	Closing by <i>Batu Uprety, LEG Chair</i>