



## Breakout group on Clearing House for NAPs

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# Overwhelming number of entries in the web

- "adaptation to climate change in the developing world" - more than 6 550 000 entries in Google.
- Content of unfccc.int limited - to information about COP decisions as well as about other activities (workshops, reports etc.)
- There is a need to provide parties with "UN certified" source of information which would help to navigate amongst various websites, including those developed by UN agencies.
- The NAP process should be enhanced, so the NAPs could be worked out as quickly as possible.
- There is a need to establish a one-stop-shop for those seeking assistance in developing NAPs as well as programmes and adaptation plans on local level.

# Desired Functions of the web-tool

- To provide the parties with made easy accurate, "filtered" information about the threats, how these translate into real life, possible solutions aimed at reduction of vulnerability of local communities as well as countries. The quality of data should overcome quantity.
- To present scientific data using non-scientific language available to all and promote best practices in adaptation, using the UN official languages to make information available to all.
- To establish and use standard format of collecting the information and its presentation, so it fits to the requirement of NAP guidelines as well as allows for information sharing with others.
- To provide assurance of credibility and reliability of the sources of information, thanks to the engagement of UN selected experts, who would evaluate the data.
- To put together the list of reliable adaptation experts as well as scientific institutions and organizations, including UN agencies and all kind of NGOs
- To be living and learning site allowing for adding feedback from NAP practitioners but keeping interaction between the users (if made possible) separated for the verified information database
- Contributing to Adaptation related communication strategy of the AC, aimed at raising awareness of the problem as well as existing solutions

# Potential users

- All involved in elaboration and implementation of NAPs.
- Financial institutions
- Local authorities, disaster management services
- Risk management specialists and insurance companies
- Media, including social media, those responsible for communication on national, regional and local level
- NGOs, educational institutions

# Process of development and the scope

## SCOPE

- There is a need to prepare successful NAP - so the NAP guidelines (for LDCs and nonLDCs) as well as information system as being developed by LEG should be considered the content of the tool. AC could be in charge of supervising both development and operation.

## PROCESS

- Evaluation and review of the existing databases (could be mandated to the UNFCCC secretariat)
- Development of the web-based tool based on the selected search engine, preferably one of those being used by UN (e.g. UNEP's GAN)
- Establishment of the CH steering committee as the subgroup of Adaptation Committee with participation of IT practitioners from UNFCCC and other relevant bodies, who have the necessary experience in development and management of such web based tools
- Periodical review process to enable feeding back to the tool the latest information available