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Assessing vulnerability, impacts and adaptation under the NAP process

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Objectives of PROVIA

- Help to provide international direction and improve the coherence of research on climate vulnerability, impacts and adaptation
- Communicate scientific information on VIA to governments, international agencies and other decision-makers
- Help to guide investment in research
- Build scientific research capacity, especially in developing countries



Guidance requirements and challenges

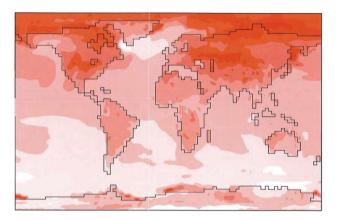
- The guidance should promote a more systematic and rigorous approach to assessing VIA.
- It should be coherent and based on the latest academic insights in VIA research.
- It should take into account the needs and constraints of users (i.e. researchers, practitioners, policymakers).
- It should be informative rather than prescriptive.
- Different users have different adaptation objectives and require different assessment guidance.



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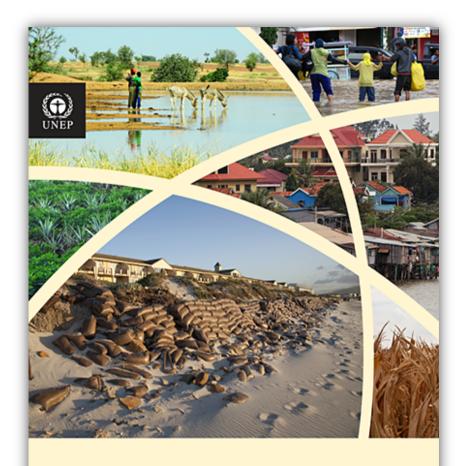


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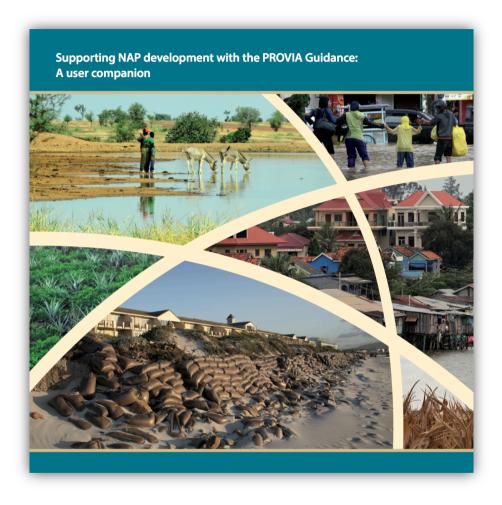
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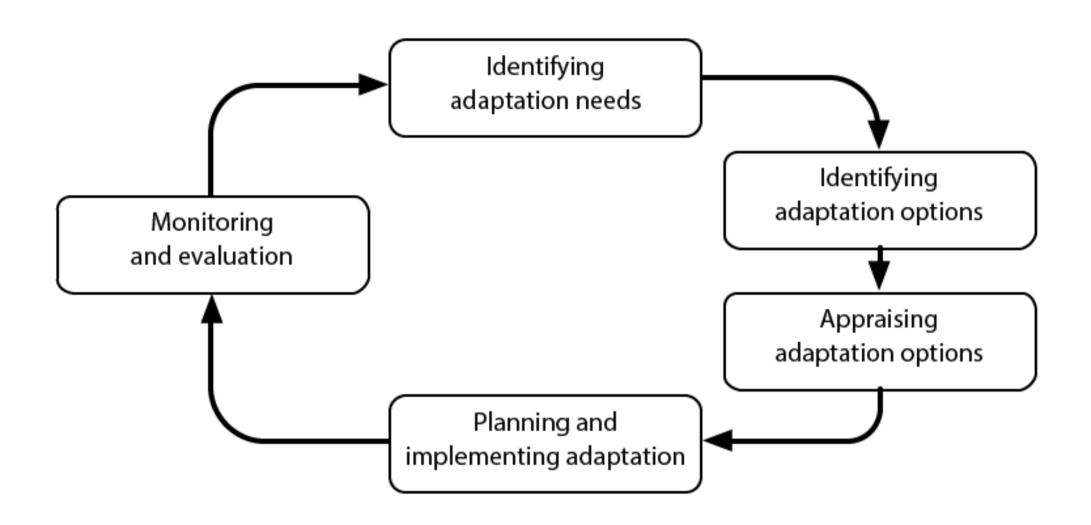


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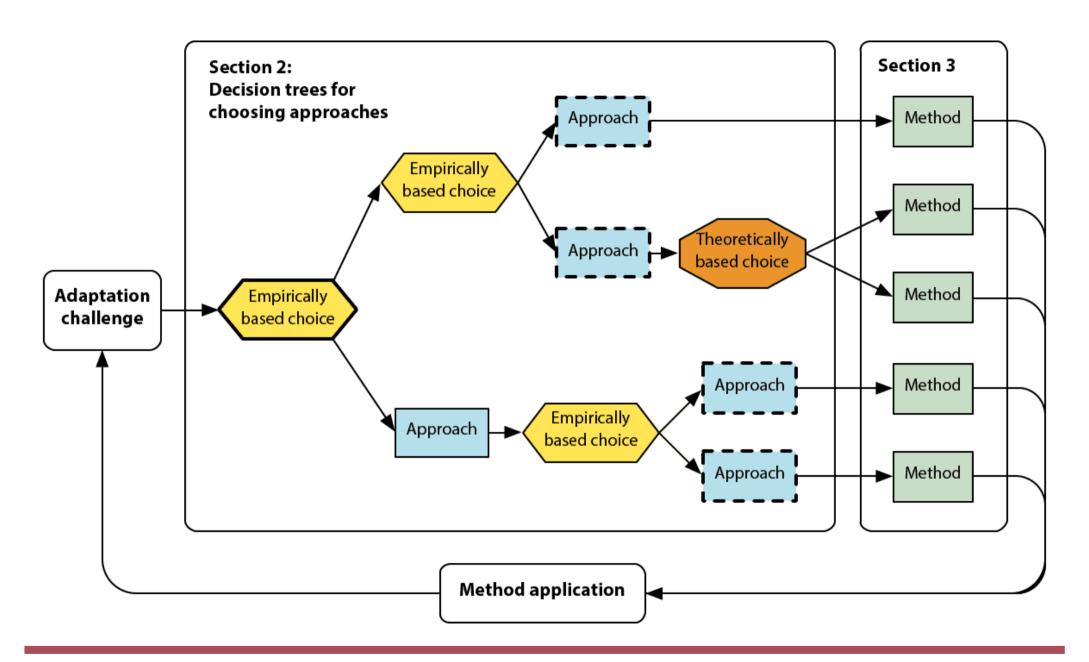
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Supporting NAP development with the PROVIA Guidance: A user companion





NAP Technical Guidelines			PROVIA Guidance	
	Step	Indicative activity	Choosing methods	Applying methods
A.	Initiating and launching the process	c. Create or enhance a national vision and man- date for the NAP process	2.4 Planning and implementing	Participation and engagement Adaptation functions' and institutions to support adaptation
		e. NAP framework/strategy and M&E plan	2.5 Monitoring and evaluation	3.10 Tools for monitoring and evaluation
	Stocktaking: identifying avail- able information	c. Conduct a gap analysis to assess capacities and data and information	2.1 Identifying adaptation needs	3.1.2 Stakeholder, social network and participation analysis
		d. Barriers to planning, design and implementation	2.4.1 Getting started	
	3. Addressing capacity gaps	b. Identifying opportunities		3.6 Institutional analysis
		for integrating adaptation into development planning		3.6.2 Governance design
В.	Analysing cur- rent climate and future climate change scenarios	a. Analyse the current climate		3.2.1 Describing current impacts
		 b. Characterize future climate risk using scenario analysis 		3.4.3 Scenario analysis
	2. Assessing climate vulnerabilities and identifying adaptation options	Assess vulnerability to climate change at multiple levels	2.1 Identifying adaptation needs	
				3.2.2 Modelling future impacts
				3.2.3 Vulnerability indication
				3.3.4 Knowledge elicitation
		 Identify and categorize adaptation options 	2.2 Identifying adaptation options	
	 Reviewing and appraising adap- tation options 	a. Appraise individual adaptation options	2.3 Choosing approaches for appraising adaptation options	
				3.7 Formal decision-making
c.	Enhancing capacity for planning and implementing	b. Designing and implementing training on the NAP process	2.4 Planning and implementing	3.1 Participation and engagement
				3.1.4 Facilitation toolkit
D.	1. Monitoring the NAP process	a. Identify areas to be evaluated	2.5 Monitoring and evaluation	3.10 Tools for monitoring and evaluation
		b. Define metrics for M&E	2.5.5 Identifying appropriate indicators	
				3.10.2 Critical review and principles for adaptation M&E
				3.10.3 Practical guidance for adaptation Ma



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2.1 Identifying adaptation needs

Entry point

Adaptation situation:

 Climate change is a concern, but its potential impacts – and specific vulnerabilities to be addressed – are not well understood.

You want to:

Identify adaptation needs

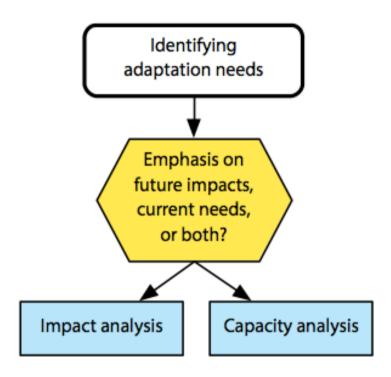


FIGURE 2.1.1 Approaches to identifying vulnerability.



2.1.2 Choosing approaches to i

Entry point

Adaptation situation:

- Climate change is a concerr potential impacts – and spe abilities to be addressed – a understood.
- Knowledge on impacts is co critical in shaping adaptatio

You want to:

- Identify adaptation needs
- Understand the potential in climate change

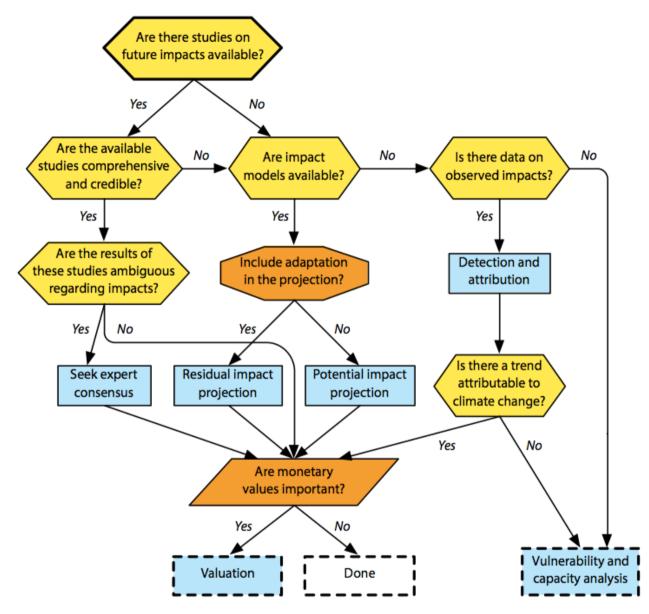
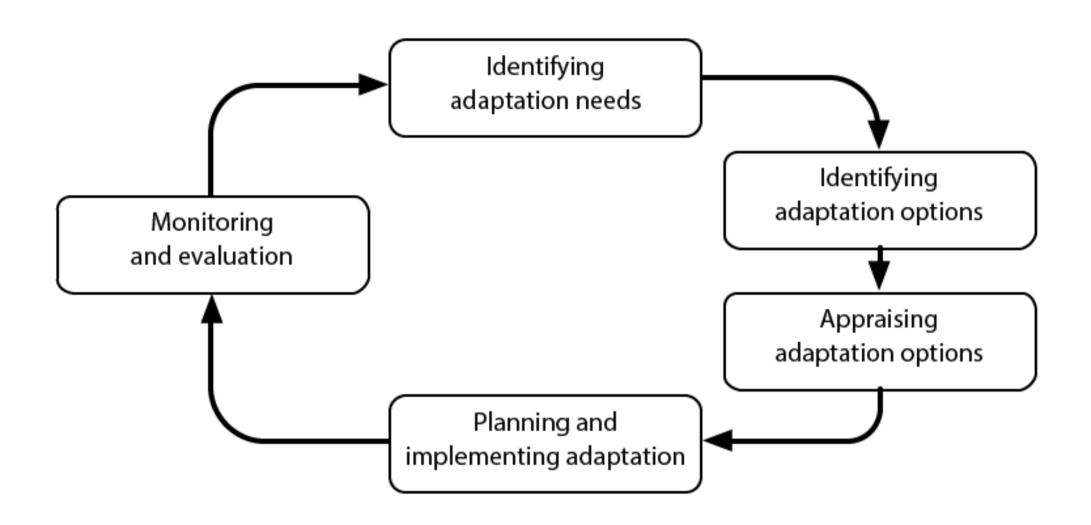
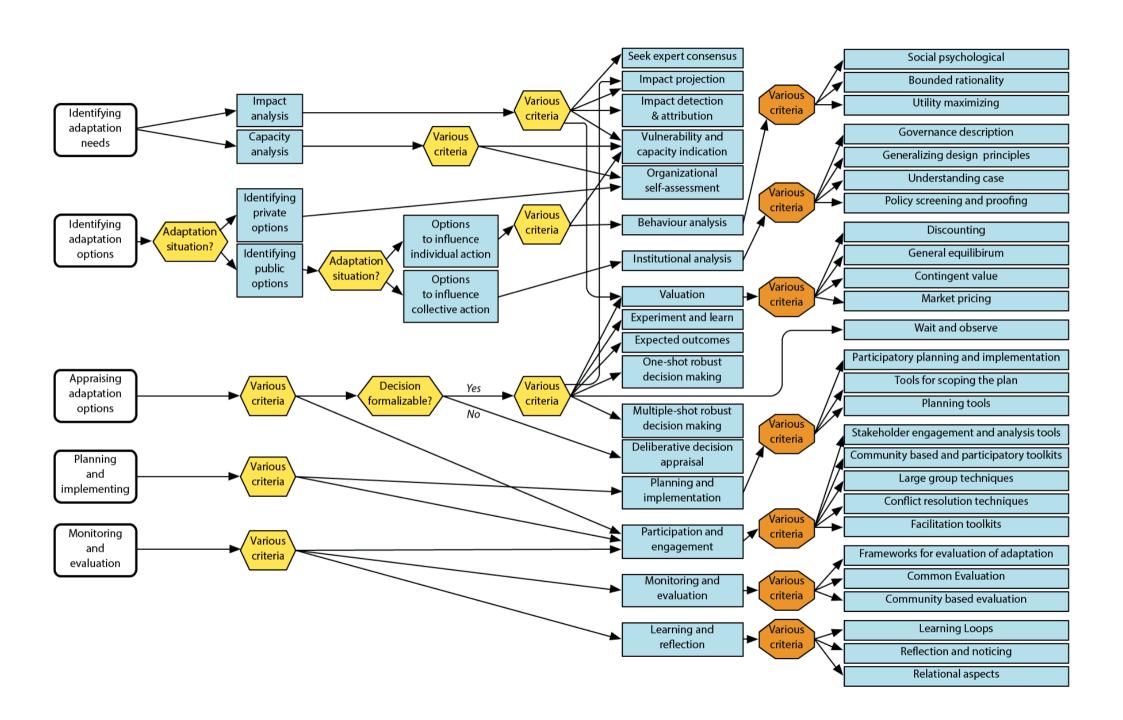


FIGURE 2.1.2 Choosing approaches for impact analysis.









Question

Are studies available on future impacts?



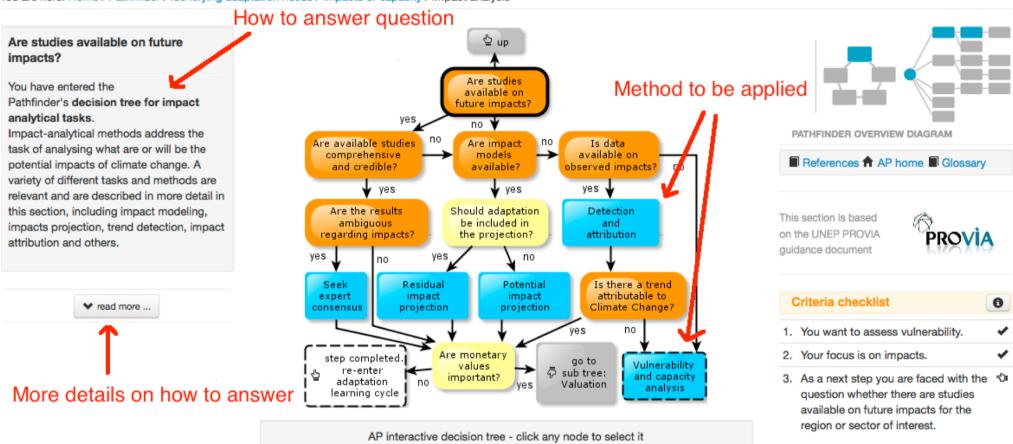
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Case studies

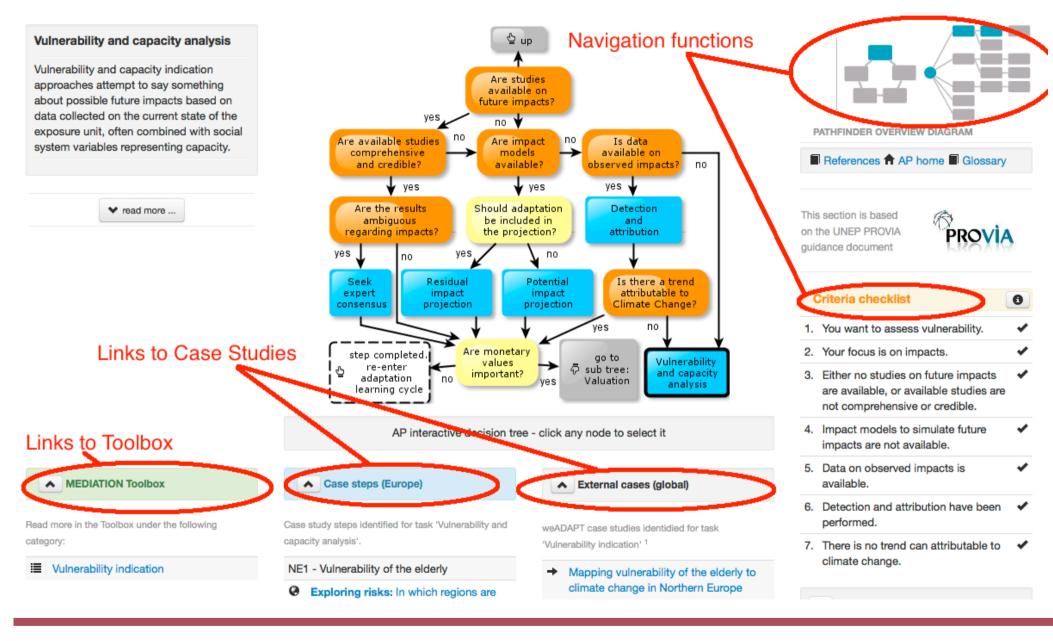
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Conclusions

- The LEG Technical Guidelines are complemented by the PROVIA Guidance, which helps the user to identify methods and tools for each step in the adaptation cycle.
- Decision tree system allows for a systematic approach to VIA assessment, and lends itself for interactivity.
- Need for continuous update as new knowledge and insights become available.



Next steps

- Further analytical development, including quality standards for applying methods, quantitative support to decision nodes (e.g. uncertainty thresholds), and inclusion of 'pragmatic' criteria (e.g. cost of applying a method, data availability, time constraints, skills required).
- Further development of interactive functionality, including case study database, reporting functionality, and offline availability.
- Develop online and offline training materials and workshops.



Thank you very much for your attention.

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