

Example on gender-sensitive approaches and tools, including good practices for the application of these approaches and tools for understanding and assessing impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change¹

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Title of practice/tool

Almanario

Description of practice/tool

The Almanario is a diagnostic, project planning and a budgeting tool that allows Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) with low literacy skills to request and develop their own GEF SGP projects independently. The Almanario methodology was designed to facilitate direct access of grassroots organizations to development projects without the intervention of NGOs.

Therefore, the Almanario functions as a project proposal for GEF SGP and as a planning tool for the community, detailing what activities will take place, what materials are needed including the associated cost, as well as lists those responsible for each of the activities proposed by the CBO. However, the Almanario is much more than just a planning tool. Based on its empowering capacity and emphasis on reducing gender inequalities, the Almanario represents a new approach to involve stakeholders and beneficiaries, enabling them to lead their own projects and development processes.

This includes working with women and indigenous peoples to include gender considerations and traditional knowledge from planning design to implementation. This is particularly useful in the case of projects in Community Based Adaptation to Climate change.

The main advantages of using the Almanario are:

- Empowerment of all CBO members, especially women, to address and develop projects at all stages;
- Shift in gender roles due to the development of roles that were previously inaccessible for women, such as the role of community representation (promoter);
- Ownership of the project by beneficiaries: Under this approach, community members evolve beyond beneficiaries and become participants;
- Capacity building, both on an individual and a collective basis, through the power of participating and making decisions independently of the funding entity;

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- Strengthening ties within the community through the creation of a formal group and collaborative work as a mandatory prerequisite;
- Collective learning, through the training and exchanges between participants;
- Enhancing self-esteem by enabling community members to self-manage project activities in order to change their own reality without engaging external experts in management roles.

Region

Please select a region/regions where the practice/tool took place/developed or applied from the ones below, as applicable:

- Global

Country

Sector

Please select sector/sectors (from the ones below, as applicable), where the good practice and/or tool for gender consideration have been developed/applied.

- Food security, agriculture and fisheries
- Forestry
- Marine and coastal ecosystems
- Mountains
- Other terrestrial ecosystems
- Water resources

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