

Recommendations from Group 2 on dissemination of methods and tools

Developers are:

- urged to better publicise their tools and explain how they should be used and under what circumstances;
- urged to submit tools to the UNFCCC Secretariat for inclusion in the compendium;
- urged to respond to the needs of their users through user networks.

- User-networks should be established to share expertise and experiences in the application of the tools and methods.

- Mechanisms should be established for enable inter-comparison of methods and tools.

- Compilation/ survey should be undertaken on the usage of tools by Parties and their constituencies.

- International workshops on tools and methods, in particular on the usage of the tools, should be held on a regular basis. The first workshop should be held as the in-session workshop during the subsequent session the SBSTA.

- UN Agencies are urged to disseminate importance of the aspects of the NWP through their constituencies at the regional and national level, taking into account the experiences and expertise accumulated outside of the climate change communities.

- Networks are an important mechanism for disseminating methods and tools used within regions. The UNFCCC process should encourage, support and strengthen such networks.

- Information sharing mechanism varies within and among regions. Therefore, different formats and modes for dissemination are required. Following formats and modes have been identified as possible initial mechanisms:
 - Web-based seminar (Webner) and video-conferencing,
 - webportal and use of web-based training,
 - CD-ROM
 - Search engine function that would map requirement for tools applicable in regions,
 - radios and other form of media,
 - printed materials, including guidebooks,
 - workshops.

- UNFCCC compendium should be updated in a regular basis and made inter-active.

- At the national level, methods and tools should be integrated into early planning stages, such as through the EIA process.

- Centres of excellence and regional centres should be encouraged to disseminate and conduct surveys for obtaining tools and providing feedback to support the updating of the UNFCCC Compendium.