

Coordination and integration across sectors



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Examples of good practices

- Coordination among national and sectoral decision-makers
 - Fiji: Coordination among Ministries and private sector for tourism sector
 - Mexico: Coordination and championing by Ministry of Finance and Office of the President at the national level
- Coordination during the adaptation planning and design process
 - UK: Developed specific tools to enhance capacity to deal with extreme weather events at the community level

Some challenges

- Coordination among national and sectoral decision-makers
 - Lack of political mandate and commitment and involvement of budget-holders
 - Competing interests and cultural differences between sectors
- Stakeholder involvement
 - Multiple agencies and organisations involving the same stakeholders at the same time: stakeholder fatigue
 - Contribution of the private sector can be unclear, and can be constrained by concerns about competitiveness and intellectual property rights

Factors facilitating integration

- Identification and communication of issues that are cross-sectoral (e.g., water and food security, disaster risk)
- Engagement of stakeholders at all levels
- Political commitment at high political level
- Use climate variability as a starting point for adaptation to climate change
- Incentives

Potential entry points for integration

- Environmental and health impact assessments
- National platforms for disaster risk reduction
- Linking adaptation and mitigation

Recommendations

- To the Nairobi Work Programme
 - Create an opportunity for exchange of good practices on adaptation (e.g., in the form of a Wikipedia-type platform)
 - Set up an cross-sectoral expert panel
 - Develop a good-practice award scheme and field-visit exchange programme
 - Develop a "How To..." document to provide guidance on integration

Recommendations

- To others
 - Provide support for the development of legal and institutional frameworks at the national level to promote integration
 - Create inter-departmental working groups on climate change adaptation in UN agencies and regional economic commissions
 - Regional and local organisations (such as C-40) to promote integration through pilot projects