United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

Objectives of the meeting

Expert meeting to assess progress made in the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans (NAPs)

7 to 9 February 2018, Sao Tome, Sao Tome and Principe



Mandate

- ☐ The COP requested the SBI 48 (April/May 2018) to assess progress made in the process to formulate and implement NAPs, with a view to making recommendations thereon to the COP, as appropriates;
- It agreed on the following steps:
 - Submissions from Parties and organizations;
 - Information through a questionnaire NAP Central;
 - Synthesis report by the secretariat;
 - Meeting of Party experts to provide a summary of progress made;
 - A report on the meeting for consideration by SBI 48.



Scope of the assessment (1/2)

- □ To assess progress made towards the achievement of the objectives of the process to formulate and implement NAPs, which are:
 - To reduce vulnerability to the impacts of climate change by building adaptive capacity and resilience;
 - ❖ To facilitate the integration of climate change adaptation, in a coherent manner, into relevant new and existing policies, programmes and activities, in particular development planning processes and strategies, within all relevant sectors and at different levels, as appropriate.
- Support provided and received
- Experiences, best practices, lessons learned, gaps and needs



Scope of the assessment (2/2)

- ☐ To take into account all the guiding principles of the process to formulate and implement NAPs:
 - ... in accordance with the Convention,
 - ... country-driven approach
 - ... gender-sensitive approaches
 - ... participatory and fully transparent approach
 - ... consideration vulnerable groups, communities and ecosystems
 - ... based on and guided by the best available science, traditional and indigenous knowledge
 - … integrating adaptation into relevant social, economic …
 - ... supported by comprehensive monitoring and review
 - **\(\text{tc.} \)**



Programme for the meeting (1/3)

■ Methodological framing sessions

- Sample processes to formulate and implement NAPs, lessons from Open NAP case studies
- Effective processes to formulate and implement NAPs and successful adaptation metrics of success
- Introduction to a methodology for identification of best practices and lessons learned
- □ Country case studies to highlight timelines, road maps, key steps and outputs, climate policy development, key risks and vulnerabilities, and main experiences and key lessons learned
 - Bhutan, Ethiopia, Ireland, South Africa, Sudan;
 - Benin, Canada, Lesotho, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines.



Programme for the meeting (2/3)

□ Sessions on objectives

- Framing of vulnerability and risk in the context of assessing progress in reduction of vulnerability over time (objective 1)
- Achieving integration and coherence in adaptation planning and implementation across levels and scales within the national setting (objective 2)
- Panel discussion on support
 - Support for the process to formulate and implement NAPs



Programme for the meeting (3/3)

Considerations regarding gender
 Considerations regarding vulnerable communities, groups and ecosystems
 Best available science including indigenous technologies and knowledge
 Elements of effective adaptation plans
 Looking back at data and information capture to support the assessment of progress: Revision and update of the questionnaire and the generic metrics
 Other emerging concepts and topics



Approach

- Each session to explore and discuss progress made on:
 - The achievement of the objectives;
 - Support provided and received
 - Addressing the guiding principles
- The LEG and the AC with the support of assessors to identify
 - Emerging conclusions on progress
 - Best practices and lessons learned
 - Challenges, gaps and needs



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