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The Informal meeting of representatives: considering the outcomes of completed activities under the NWP

Manila, 28-30 September 2010

Background

At its 28th session, the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) requested the secretariat to organize, under the guidance of the Chair of the SBSTA and before its thirty-third session, an [informal meeting](#) of representatives from Parties and organizations, and experts, to consider the outcomes of the activities completed under the NWP. The meeting was held from 28 to 30 September 2010 in Manila, the Philippines.

Outcomes and key messages

The meeting facilitated an extensive exchange of views and in-depth discussion among the participants and the following key messages emerged:

- The NWP has been successful in creating momentum for adaptation through engaging a large number of stakeholders, catalysing action by organizations in response to gaps and needs identified through the deliberations under the work programme, and developing and disseminating information and knowledge outputs and products;
- Parties and organizations acknowledged that their engagement in the implementation of the NWP has benefited countries and organizations through, inter alia, enhanced partnerships and opportunities for collaboration between Parties and with partner organizations; knowledge products that have led to the consideration and incorporation of climate change adaptation into relevant programmes or projects; and improved internal communication and coordination within countries and organizations;
- With adaptation activities gathering pace, Parties and organizations called for the continuation of the NWP, recognizing that it could play a key convening role and could provide the information and knowledge needed to support enhanced implementation of adaptation actions.

Further information

Please see the meeting [web page](#), which includes the [agenda](#), a [background paper](#), presentations made at the meeting, and the meeting [report](#).

Upcoming negotiations in Cancun, November/December 2010

Negotiations on the NWP under the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA)

The thirty-third session of the SBSTA (SBSTA 33) will take place in Cancun from 30 November to 4 December 2010, during [COP 16/CMP 6](#). At this session, Parties will review the effectiveness of the NWP and report on the outcomes to the COP in accordance with decision [2/CP.11](#), paragraph 6 (e). In particular, Parties will consider:

- The report of the [informal meeting](#) of representatives from Parties and representatives and experts which considered the outcomes of the activities completed under the work programme (this meeting took place from 28-30 September 2010 in Manila, please see page 2 of this eUpdate); and
- A [summary report](#) on activities implemented during the second phase of the work programme and up to SBSTA32 (please see page 4 of this eUpdate)

Parties may decide upon a possible extension/future mandate based on their consideration of the above.

Other negotiations on adaptation

Negotiations on adaptation will be held in Cancun under the Ad hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention ([AWG-LCA](#)) and Parties will continue to consider draft text with a view to strengthening the future response to climate change to enable the full, effective and sustained implementation of the Convention through long-term cooperative action, now, up to and beyond 2012.

Under the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI), [decision 1/CP.10](#), Parties will continue to look into ways to enhance the [implementation of adaptation](#), with a view to adopting a decision in Cancun at SBI 33.

Further information

- NWP web page on [negotiations and decisions](#);
- The [SBSTA 32 report](#), containing the conclusions of the NWP;
- The [AWG-LCA web pages](#);
- Web pages on [implementing adaptation](#) under the SBI

Reports on the implementation of the NWP

The following two reports on the implementation of the NWP have been prepared for the consideration of the SBSTA, as it reviews the effectiveness of the NWP at its upcoming thirty-third session in Cancun.

Summary of the results of the second phase of the implementation of the NWP (June 2008-June 2010)

The results of the second phase of the implementation of the NWP, for the period up to June 2010 are captured in a [summary report](#), published in September this year. It provides an overview of the outcomes of completed activities undertaken to assist all Parties to improve their understanding and assessment of impacts, vulnerability and adaptation, and to make informed decisions on adaptation.

It also contains information on how organizations, institutions, experts, communities and the private sector have been engaged, how adaptation actions have been catalysed, and how information and knowledge products have been developed and disseminated.

Progress report on the implementation of activities under the NWP (June 2010-Nov. 2010)

The latest [progress report](#), published this month (November), provides an overview of the progress made in implementing activities under the NWP since the thirty-second session of the SBSTA (June 2010).

It describes progress made under the different [areas of work](#) and how organizations, institutions, experts, communities and the private sector have been engaged in the activities of the programme during this reporting period. It also contains summary accounts of how the secretariat is disseminating information on outputs to stakeholders, and highlights relevant activities undertaken by NWP [partners](#) in line with the work programme's objective.

Calls for Action

As per usual practice, this [progress report](#) contains two draft [Calls for Action](#) for Parties to consider and endorse at SBSTA 33.

Call for Action 10 (draft)

The [draft tenth Call for Action](#) (please see Annex I) invites stakeholders to take action to enhance collaboration among regional centres and networks, with a view to improving knowledge management and enhancing the effectiveness of technical support, particularly in the areas of [‘Methods and tools’](#), [‘Data and observations’](#) and [‘Climate modelling, and scenarios and downscaling’](#).

It was developed as a result of the [technical workshop](#) on collaboration among regional centres and networks, held in Apia, Samoa, 2-5 March 2010.

Call for Action 11 (draft)

The [draft eleventh Call for Action](#) (please see Annex II) encourages stakeholders to take action to respond to gaps and needs related to evaluating the costs and the benefits of adaptation options, under the NWP work area of [‘Socio-economic information’](#). This type of evaluation constitutes an important part of the adaptation policy cycle as it can facilitate the identification of appropriate adaptation practices and measures and the avoidance of maladaptation.

The Call for Action stems from the [technical workshop](#) on costs and benefits of adaptation options, held in Madrid, Spain, from 22-24 June 2010.

New NWP knowledge products

Action on the ground: a new NWP publication

A new synthesis publication entitled “[Action on the ground: A synthesis of activities in the areas of education, training and awareness-raising for adaptation](#)” has been produced. The content was voluntarily contributed by NWP partners, with the secretariat facilitating the input and overseeing the overall production process.

A significant amount of work in the areas of education, training and awareness-raising for adaptation has been carried out under the NWP by its partners. This publication is focussed on activities on the ground, particularly those that have had impacts at national and/or subnational levels. It aims to assist Parties, as well as other stakeholders, to better understand and improve assessments of impacts and vulnerability; gain knowledge of good practices, lessons learned, challenges and emerging needs for further action; and plan and implement practical adaptation measures.

This publication, together with other NWP knowledge products, is available online on the NWP website [here](#).



The new information package

In response to a request from Parties to develop user-friendly outputs and accessible channels of dissemination for the results of the implementation of the NWP, an information package containing knowledge products developed under the programme has been made available on a USB disk.

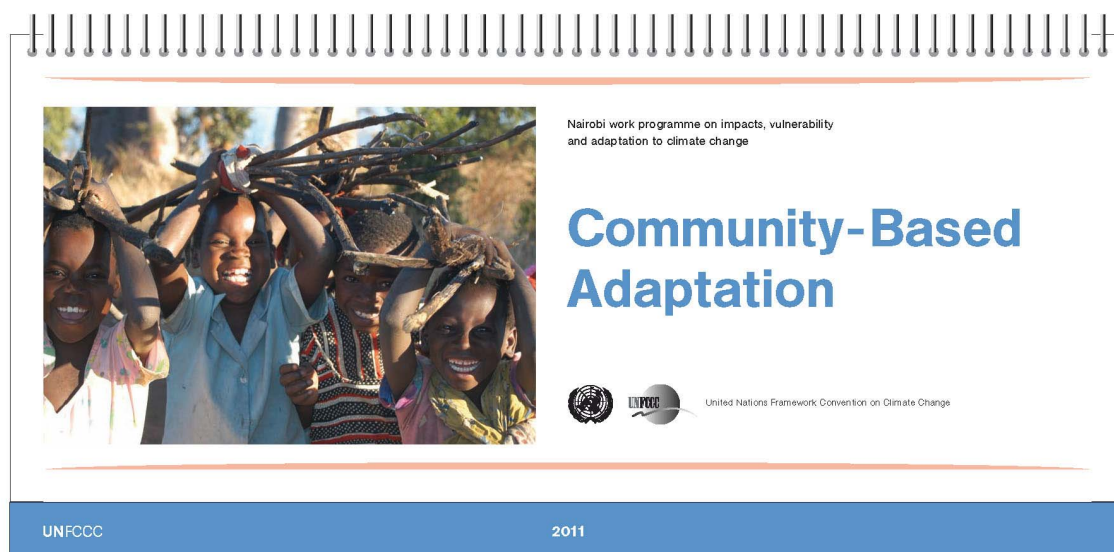
Users can access all information and knowledge products contained on the disk through a user-friendly navigation document. This provides easy access to NWP outputs for stakeholders, particularly those in developing countries and working at remote locations with no, or limited, Internet connection. The information package is available in English, French and Spanish.

Showcasing community-based adaptation actions: an NWP calendar for 2011

An NWP [calendar on Community-Based Adaptation](#) (CBA) has been produced to highlight adaptation activities carried out by NWP partners at the community level. As part of their efforts toward the achievement of the objective of the NWP, an increasing number of partner organizations are undertaking actions that build and strengthen the capacity of communities to take part in the decision-making, planning and implementation of adaptive measures.

With voluntary contributions from NWP partner organizations, this calendar aims to promote ongoing actions and results achieved, with a view to catalysing further action in other communities.

Hard copies of the calendar have been produced, and the calendar is available on the website. It will be updated month-by-month from January to December 2011 on [this](#) NWP web page.



Partnership statistics

New partners since July 2010

The NWP team would like to welcome the following [partners](#) that have joined the programme since our last NWP eUpdate in July:

- Climate Impact Research and Response Coordination for a Larger Europe (CIRCLE-2);
- The Fairtrade Labelling Organization (FLO);
- The German Development Institute/Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (GDI/DIE);
- The Global Climate Adaptation Partnership (GCAP);
- The Global Risk Forum (GRF);
- Group for Environment, Renewable Energies and Solidarity (GERES);
- The International Telecommunication Union (ITU);
- JWT Middle East and North Africa (JWT MENA);
- The Kenya Agricultural Research Institute (KARI);
- The Overseas Development Institute (ODI);
- The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization Division of Science Policy and Sustainable Development (UNESCO SC-SII);
- The United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA); and
- The United Nations University Institute of Advanced Studies, Traditional Knowledge Initiative (UNU IAS).

Current partnership status as of November 2010:

- Number of [partners](#) in total: 202
- Number of private sector partners: 33
- Number of Calls for Action: 9, and 2 draft Calls for Action
- Number of [Action Pledges](#): 136
- Number of partners that have made Action Pledges: 54, including 2 private sector partners
- Number of [experts](#) that our partners have nominated: 32

Requesting your input and further engagement

The NWP team is pleased to report that the NWP [database](#) of partners, Action Pledges and experts which was launched last year is continually being updated with new entries, so be sure to visit it regularly.

The NWP constantly seeks to provide up-to-date knowledge on adaptation to Parties and partners, so please help us to help you by:

Providing brief information on your adaptation activities

We are always happy to receive updates from our partners, and to upload relevant information into the NWP [database](#).

Categorizing your organization, if you have not yet done so.

Complete and return the [characterization form](#).

Nominating adaptation experts

Complete and return the [expert form](#).

Making Action Pledges

Complete and return the Action Pledge submission [template](#).

Information on existing Action Pledges is available in the [Action Pledges database](#).

Updating us on your progress in implementing Action Pledges

If you would like to submit an update of an existing Action Pledge, you can complete and return the [template](#).

Information on existing updates is available in the [Action Pledges database](#).

Please send all forms and information to: nwp@unfccc.int