## **Session 2 - Sharing experiences**

Where have you seen the greatest value applying gendersensitive tools and approaches for understanding and assessing impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change?

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Where, specifically, in the world did you see the greatest value from applying gender-sensitive tools and approaches?
Vietnam
Which region?
Asia
When? In what year(s)?
2012
Who were the affected communities?
Agricultural communities
What was the natural hazard and impact on communities?
Increased extreme weather events and changing patterns of precipitation are expected to impact agricultural yields
Who were the adaptation practitioners?
Farmers
How were gender-sensitive tools and approaches applied?
The land tenure system was reformed in order to given women equitable ownership, sex-disaggregated data was gathered, the national Women's Union was involved in policy and planning meetings and awareness was built around the role of women farmers in the economy.
Were the gender-sensitive tools and approaches used for?
Understanding and assessing impacts and vulnerability?, Informing adaptation planning and

## practices?

Why was the gender-sensitive tool / approach so valuable?

They allowed for the capture of both market and non-market livelihood activities and facilitated access to a broad array of adaptation strategies such as accessing credit.

Why did you choose this story?

Vietnam has been taking a number of steps to integrate gender into climate change adaptation and mitigation activities and although there is always room for improvement, their experience can be a useful template for other countries.