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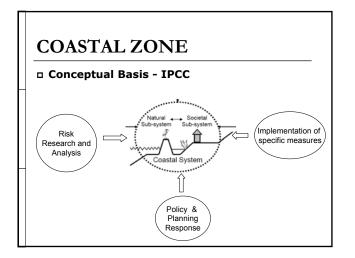
Best Practices, Gaps, Barriers, Challenges and Recommendations for Action in Adaptation Planning and Practices

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### Outline

- Conceptual Basis
- Examples of Good Practice
- Gaps, Challenges, Barriers
- Recommendations for Action





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### Gaps, Challenges and Barriers

### Research and Analysis

Understanding Adaptive capacity

Use of data and information by decision-makers

#### Policy Planning and Design

- Stakeholder involvement including conflict resolution, and incorporation of needs and preferences of inhabitants
- Planning e.g. what level of impacts to adapt to
- $\ensuremath{\,{\scriptscriptstyle \Box}}$  Integration into sustainable development

#### Implementation

- Continuing stakeholder participation
- Linkages between local, national and regional responses

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### Recommendations for Action

- Research and Analysis
  - Promote work on tailoring climate impact information for specific users e.g. tourism, fisheries, infrastructure
  - Undertake research work on policies and other constraints to the development of adaptive capacity
  - Support the development of local scientific capability to understand local impacts and develop responses – capacity building, scientific centres, financial resources

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### Recommendations for Action

#### Policy Planning and Design

- Promote the creation of enabling environments in the context of SD, ICZM and PRSPs and integrate adaptation considerations into national plans and PRSPs
- Promote the removal at national level of restraints and perverse incentives that constrain adaptation activities
- Promote the establishment of a Global Business Charter on Adaptation through the UN system and a mechanism to highlight and recognise businesses that incorporate good adaptation practices into their operations

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### Recommendations for Action

- Implementation
  - Undertake research work on management models that would facilitate the up-scaling of successful projects without losing the characteristics that make them successful
  - Promote the development and dissemination of tools to facilitate the empowerment of communities e.g. tool kits, brochures in local languages, etc.