



EU support for climate training in LDCs: some examples

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EU support in context

- **EU is leading provider of official development assistance** to developing countries (2012: more than 50% of ODA recorded in OECD DAC database)
- **Largest contributor of climate finance** flows to developing countries since well before Copenhagen conference (EU share for 2011: 55% of total for DAC members)
- Climate change increasingly mainstreamed into EU development cooperation since early 2000s
- **EU delivered €7.34 bn in fast start finance** over 2010-2012, more than €7.2 bn pledged
- FSF adaptation focus on **LDCs, SIDS, Africa**



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Global Climate Change Alliance

- Launched by European Commission to strengthen dialogue and cooperation on CC between EU and most vulnerable developing countries, particularly LDCs and SIDS
- Provides technical and financial support in 5 priority areas:
 - **Mainstreaming CC into poverty reduction strategies**
 - **Adaptation**
 - **REDD+**
 - **Enhancing participation in CDM**
 - **Disaster risk reduction**
- National programmes in 30 countries + 8 regional interventions through regional bodies in Africa, Asia, Caribbean and Pacific
- Further 9 country programmes in final stages of approval
- **Over 2008-2013, €285 mln in assistance committed through GCCA** by European Commission, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Ireland and Sweden (€107 mln of which fast start finance)
- http://www.gcca.eu/pages/1_2-Home.html



GCCA training workshops on climate mainstreaming

- GCCA's focus on mainstreaming ensures climate change is addressed in systematic and sustainable way
- Uses partners' own agendas and systems, encouraging ownership, fostering capacity building and enabling countries to make best use of available resources
- **Tailored regional workshops held for all GCCA regions** on mainstreaming CC into national development planning and budgeting (eg 4 workshops held in Africa late 2011)
- Training raises awareness of need for mainstreaming and introduces participants to framework and tools for mainstreaming
- 200 senior officials from finance, planning and environment ministries were trained in 2011-2012
- Trainings being replicated at regional level ('train the trainers') and country level on demand
- Training materials posted on GCCA website; remote support available to follow up on implementation



GCCA: Cambodia Climate Change Alliance programme

- Ran 2010-2012
- Focus: **mainstreaming climate change into development and poverty reduction**
- Goal: improve capacities of national CC committee, ministries and civil society
- Activities included:
 - Preparation of CC mainstreaming roadmaps and guidelines for progressive integration into sectoral activities at national and sub-national levels
 - Establishing CC information-sharing and knowledge-management platform
 - CC outreach and learning campaign targeting all regions and vulnerable groups, with particular focus on women



GCCA: Cambodia Climate Change Alliance programme (2)

- Lessons learned on **training** and **capacity building** include:
 - Climate change is new concept and not always easy to grasp for local communities and officials.
 - Need to strengthen awareness-raising and training approaches, monitor which approaches work best and ensure that the messages delivered are consistent/of good quality.
 - Strong NGO and private sector interest in development of Cambodia Climate Change Strategic Plan is opportunity to establish working platforms for further collaboration between governmental agencies, NGOs and private sector.
 - Capacity building and technical support for key line ministries are needed to support implementation of the Climate Change Education and Awareness Strategy.
- Total programme value €8.35 mln: **GCCA** €2.21 mln, **UNDP** €2.31 mln, **Sweden** €3.4 mln, **Denmark** €0.37 mln
- <http://www.gcca.eu/national-programmes/asia/gcca-cambodia-climate-change-alliance>



Strengthening Capacity in Developing Countries for Training Purposes on Climate Change project

- Run by UN Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)
- Ran August 2006-July 2009 with EU funding of €1.4 mln
- **Goals:**
 - Support capacity development within partner centres
 - Develop/customise generic climate change training modules
 - Deliver tailored training courses/CC fellowships
- **Target groups:**
 - Government officials – negotiators, decision-makers, policy analysts
 - Local decision makers – rural communities, municipalities, provinces
 - Representatives of business, trade unions, NGOs, students
- **Participants from Bangladesh, Benin, Bhutan, Chad, China, India, Nepal, Pakistan, Senegal, Sri Lanka**
- http://www.c3d-unitar.org/c3d_private/modules/knowledgebox/external/index.php?kbid=2



Some other EU-funded projects

- ***Ethiopia Civil Society Fund II***
 - Includes considerable support to civil society organisations through **training and coaching eg on monitoring and evaluation, reporting, gender mainstreaming**
 - Financing agreement for €6 mln signed Feb 2012
- ***GCCA Pacific Islands Forum support programme***
 - Includes capacity building and education, community engagement in adaptive actions and applied research
 - With University of South Pacific
 - €8 mln (2011-2014)
 - <http://www.gcca.eu/intra-acp/gcca-pacific-islands-forum-support-programme>



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