# LEG training workshops for 2012-2013 -- Francophone LDCs workshop

Module 7: The NAP process 7.1. Introducing the NAP Process



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- gaps
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#### Learning points:

- Vision, objectives and principles of the NAP process
- Differences between a NAP and a NAPA

#### Guiding questions:

#### CASE STUDIES



## **Objectives of NAPs**

- 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 new and existing policies, programmes and activities, in particular development planning processes and strategies within all relevant sectors and at different levels, as appropriate
- The NAP is a process with outputs that include NAP policy documents



### **Key Principles**

- Country-driven, countryowned
- Gender-sensitive
- Participatory
- Fully transparent
- Integrative
- Iterative
- Long-term
- Coordinated
- Takes into account account vulnerable groups, communities, ecosystems
- Based on best available science and traditional knowledge

The idea of NAPs comes from the recognized need to undertake enhanced long-term action towards adaptation

Because adaptation is not a one-time action, but a long-term process



#### **Overview of the suggested process**

#### Element A. Lay the groundwork and address gaps

- Initiating and launching the NAP process
- Stocktaking: identifying available information on climate change impacts, vulnerability and adaptation and assessing gaps and needs of the enabling environment for the NAP process
- Addressing capacity gaps and weaknesses in undertaking the NAP process
- Comprehensively and iteratively assessing development needs and climate vulnerabilities

#### **Element B. Preparatory elements**

- Analysing current climate and future climate change scenarios
- Assessing climate vulnerabilities and identifying adaptation options at the sector, subnational, national and other appropriate levels
- Reviewing and appraising adaptation options
- Compiling and communicating national adaptation plans
- Integrating climate change adaptation into national and subnational development and sectoral planning



#### **Element C. Implementation strategies**

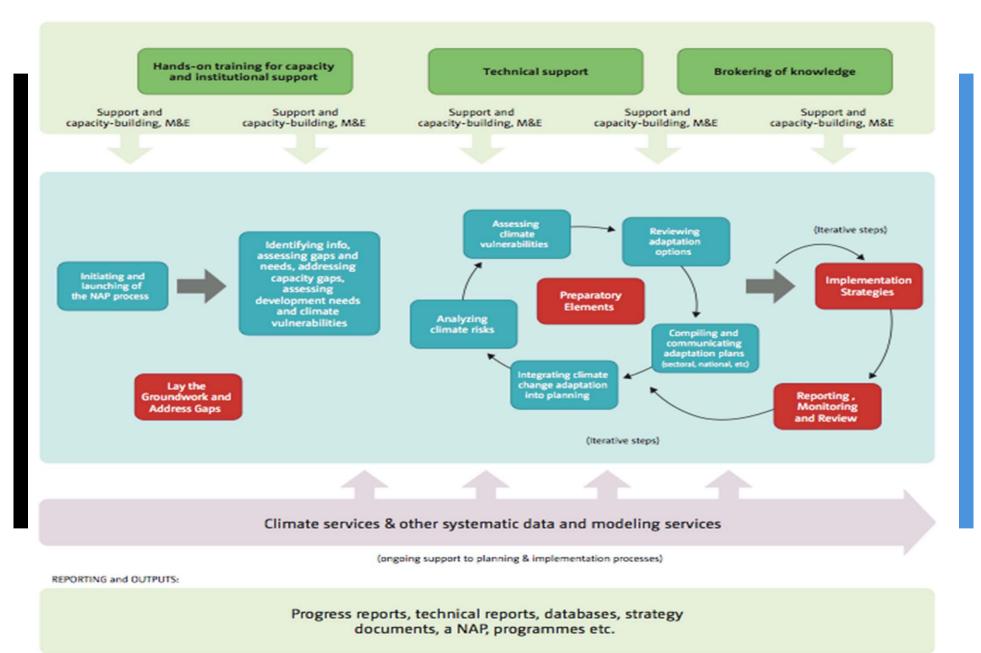
- Prioritizing climate change adaptation
- Developing a (long-term) national adaptation implementation strategy
- Enhancing capacity for planning and implementing adaptation
- Promoting coordination and synergy at the regional level and with other multilateral environmental agreements

#### Element D. Reporting, monitoring and review

- Monitoring the NAP process
- Reviewing the NAP process to assess progress, effectiveness and gaps
- Iteratively updating the national adaptation plans
- Outreach on the NAP process and reporting on progress and effectiveness



#### An example of how the NAP process could progress for a country



- Flexible process: each country can select the steps and actions that are more relevant to them, in the order that is more relevant to them.
- Variable outputs: could be a single broad national vision for adaptation, or multiple sectoral planning documents, depending on needs
- **Continuous**: as progress is made in addressing capacity gaps, mobilizing investments and integrating policies, new priorities emerge.
- **Ambitious**: not constrained by current resource availability, so as to rally partners and funders around long-term goals

