NAP Expo 2015: Realizing the NAP process

Kameha Grand Hotel Bonn, Germany 14 to 15 April 2015

1. Background

The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI), at its thirty-seventh session (SBI 37, December 2012), requested the Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG), with the support of the secretariat and in collaboration with relevant organizations, to organize an LDC NAP event in conjunction with SBI 38. The event, entitled *NAP Expo: Launching of the NAP process in LDCs* was held on 9 June 2013. The event was well received by all stakeholders. The NAP Expo for 2014 was held on 8 and 9 August 2014, in Bonn, Germany. This year's event will take place on 14 and 15 April 2015, also in Bonn, Germany. The theme for this year is *Realizing the NAP process*, to highlight experiences, lessons learned and gaps, and the progress being made in many developing countries in undertaking the NAP process.

The NAP Expo brings together LDC and other Parties, United Nations organizations and specialized agencies, other international organizations, bilateral and multilateral agencies, regional centres and networks, as well as individual adaptation practitioners and experts, to discuss issues around selected themes on the process to formulate and implement NAPs.

The organization of the NAP Expo is part of the rolling work programme of the LEG. It is one of the activities that contribute to the provision by the Expert Group of technical guidance and support to the NAP process.

Further information on the NAP Expos is available at <unfccc.int/nap> under Events. An interactive page for this year's expo is available at <http://napexpo.org/2015>.

2. Objectives

The objectives of the NAP Expo 2015 are to:

- a. Provide a platform for focused interactions on aspects of the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans through special events and training opportunities;
- b. Offer an opportunity for countries to exchange information on their adaptation planning activities;
- c. Serve as a forum for sharing technical knowledge on adaptation assessments and programme design;
- d. Exchange best practices on approaches to address common vulnerabilities and climate change risks;
- e. Offer a platform for countries and those providing technical and financial support to interact.

3. Format

The NAP Expo will take place from 14 to 15 April 2015 in Kameha Grand Hotel in Bonn, Germany, and it will run from 9:00 to 18:00. It will precede the workshop on experiences, gaps and needs in the NAP process organized by the Adaptation Committee in collaboration with the LEG from 16 to 17 April in the same location.

4. Overview programme

The NAP Expo will be organized in an interactive manner with a limited number of plenary sessions and a focus on parallel sessions to stimulate discussions and maximize exchange of information and sharing of experiences.

Day 1 – The day will start with an opening session presenting the work of the LEG and the Adaptation Committee in supporting countries in the process to formulate and implement NAPs. The session is planned to last one hour. The rest of the day will be structured around parallel sessions.

The parallel sessions will be organized by different organizations and may include discussions on a theme, training or expert working sessions.

The following organizations have indicated interest in running one of the parallel sessions and/or will be invited to organize an event during the NAP Expo:

- LEG on technical guidelines
- Conservation International/Global Water Partnership/ICIMOD and others as part of the NAP Technical Working Group on integrated approaches for assessment under the NAP process;
- GEF on programme/project development
- GIZ on M&E
- NAP Global Support Programmes on NAPs (UNDP/UNEP)
- NAP Global Network
- Southern Voices on the engagement of civil society
- WFP
- WMO/GFCS

More information on the sessions will be posted on the NAP Expo web page at <napexpo.org/2015> as soon as it becomes available.

Day 2 - The day will start in a plenary setting with reporting back from day 1, followed by keynote presentations and parallel sessions.

5. Participation

The NAP Expo is open to all Parties, organizations, civil society and individual experts.