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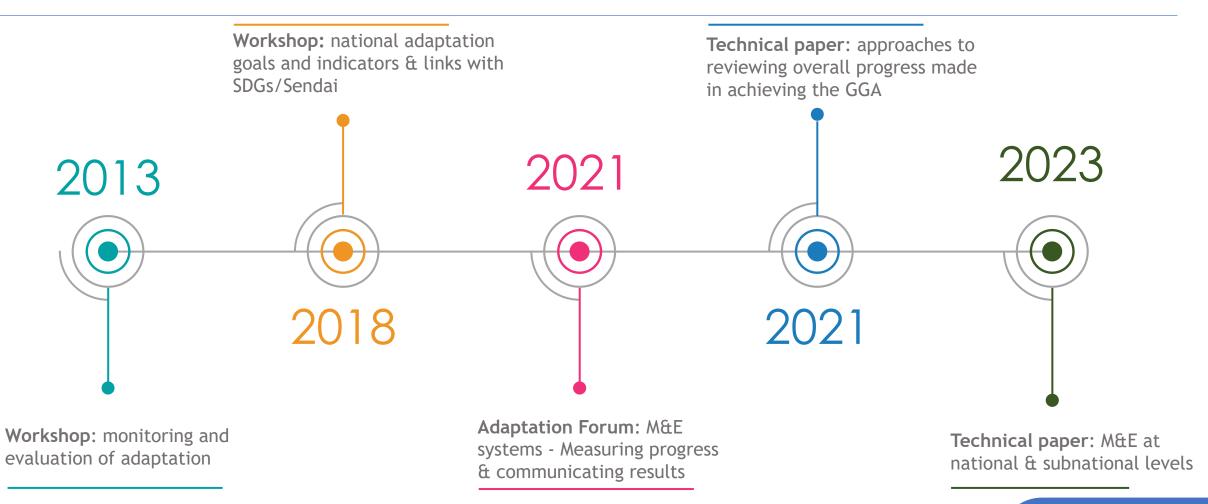


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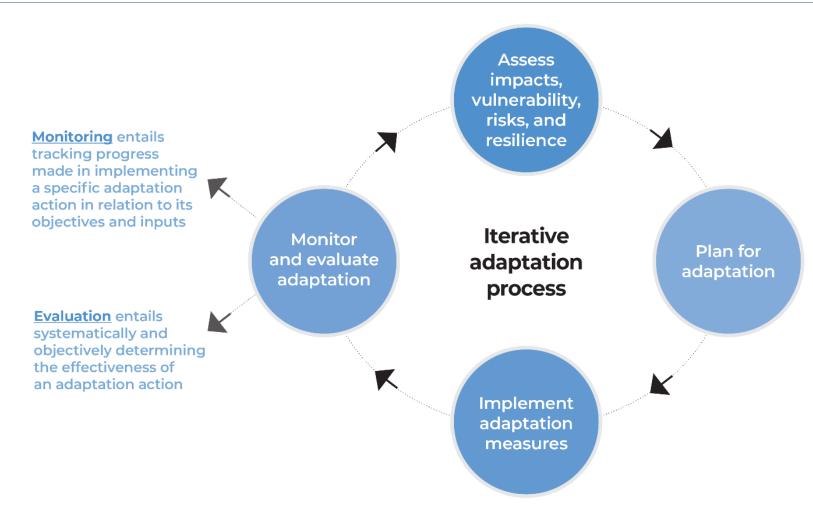
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# I. AC work on Monitoring and Evaluation of Adaptation



### II. Methodological and conceptual challenges in M&E



### III. Case studies: National level



## III. Case studies: National level findings

- Examples of challenges:
  - Weak data management
  - Difficulty with institutional coordination
  - Inadequate financial, capacity-building, and technology transfer support
- Examples of opportunities and trends:
  - Support for developing countries is often instrumental in making progress on M&E
  - Alignment with international commitments and reporting systems is key opportunity
  - Various countries prioritizing initiating M&E as soon as possible over building perfect/robust systems from the start
  - Several options and approaches for engaging stakeholders throughout the M&E process

#### III. Case studies: Sub-national level



### III. Case studies: Sub-national level findings

- Examples of challenges:
  - Need for dedicated institutional structures at the sub-national level
  - Lack of awareness of the importance of M&E at the local level
  - Inadequate financial resources
- Examples of opportunities and trends:
  - Potential for complementarities between sub-national and national level M&E
  - Sectoral, non-climate specific systems and indicators can guide sub-national efforts
  - Inclusion of an active learning system can help generate a constant feedback loop of lessons learned

#### IV. Initial observations

- Indicators commonly central components of M&E systems advantages are clear but important to carefully consider role and selection of indicators
- Tension between establishing M&E systems that yield best possible understanding of adaptation vs. those that are feasible in the near-term
- Various opportunities to work towards more ambitious and innovative practices over time

### V. Conclusion and next steps

- Paper to be finalized at AC 23 (March 2023)
- Case studies and other inputs always welcome: <a href="mailto:ac@unfccc.int">ac@unfccc.int</a>