

Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG)

Call for case studies from organizations

Integrating gender considerations in the formulation and implementation of national adaptation plans (NAPs)

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Purpose of the call

The Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG) is mandated to provide technical guidance and support on strengthening gender-related considerations and considerations regarding vulnerable communities within least developed country (LDC) Parties (decision 6/CP.16, para. 2(c)). As part of its work programme for 2024–2025,¹ the LEG is seeking case studies on how relevant organizations have supported the LDCs in integrating and reflecting gender considerations in the formulation and implementation of national adaptation plans (NAPs).

The process to formulate and implement NAPs was established by COP 16, in 2010, to enable the LDC to identify medium- and long-term adaptation needs and develop and implement strategies and programmes to address those needs.² The process is guided by the following principles: ensuring a continuous, progressive and iterative process that is not prescriptive; facilitating country-owned, country-driven action; following a **gender-responsive**, participatory and transparent approach, taking into consideration vulnerable groups, communities and ecosystems; and being based on and guided by the best available science and traditional and Indigenous knowledge.³

Almost all NAPs include gender considerations, albeit the outcomes vary in terms of equitable participation in the NAP formulation process, influence in decision-making processes and identification of specific gender-responsive adaptation needs. The case studies are intended to shed deeper insights on integrating gender considerations in NAPs, identify good practices and lessons learned, and ways to further enhance action.

Scope of the case studies

The LEG is particularly interested in case studies that consider the following elements:

- How gender has been integrated into the NAPs;
- Successful approaches or tools in ensuring gender-responsive adaptation planning;
- Gender-responsive policies, strategies and programmes identified and/or implemented;
- How women (including rural women, indigenous women), gender experts and women's organizations have been engaged in the process to formulate and implement NAPs.

The case studies should be brief and limited to a maximum of two (2) pages. Respondents are welcome to provide additional materials to enrich and substantiate the case studies, potentially including figures, internal or external reports, links to multimedia, or other content.

Submission of the case studies

¹ (See document FCCC/SBI/2024/5, annex III, available at https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/sbi2024_05_adv.pdf).

² Decision 1/CP.16, paras. 15–16.

³ Decision 5/CP.17, paras. 2–4.

Submissions are open from **15 October to 15 December 2024**. Case studies can be **submitted via email to leghelp@unfccc.int**.

More information about the LEG and its work is available at <https://unfccc.int/leg>.

For any questions regarding the call for case studies, please contact the LEG at leghelp@unfccc.int.