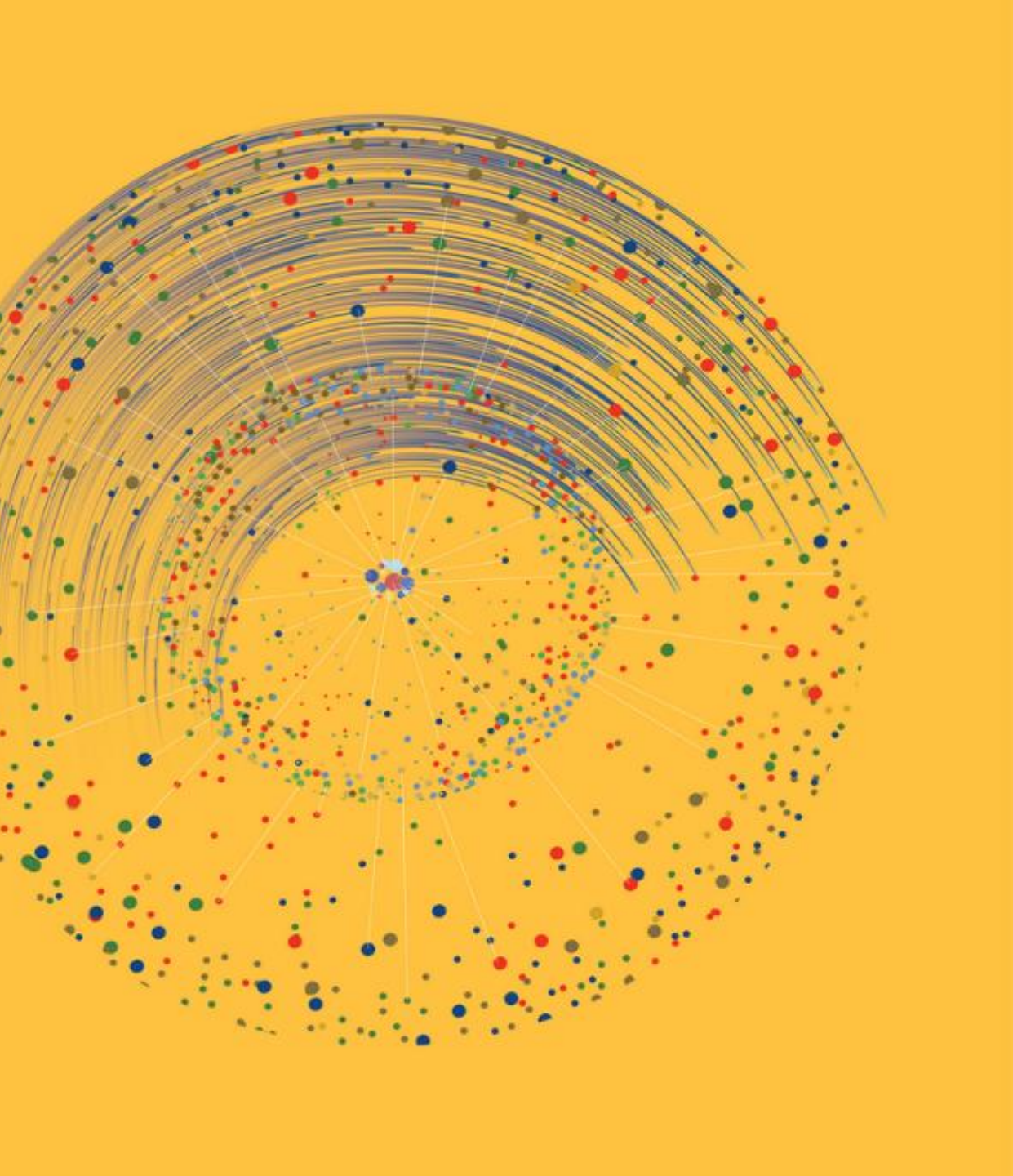




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NATIONAL ADAPTATION PLAN (NAP) PARTNERS' MEETING

*Co-ordinating Efforts For Effective NAP Formulation And
Implementation In East And Southern Africa*

**Monday , 10 August 2026
15:00-16:30 PM EAT (Kampala)**



Facilitator: Minky Groenewald

NDC/LTLEDS Expert and Coordinator, UN Climate Change RCC EASA



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Agenda

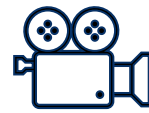
11:00-11:05	Welcome	Facilitator: Ms. Minky Groenewald
14:00-14:10	Opening & Welcome Webinar objectives; housekeeping; overview of expected outcomes	RCC EASA Facilitator
14:10-14:15	Opening remarks	Mr. William Otieno, UNFCCC Regional Collaboration Centre for ESA
14:15-14:30	Keynote presentation:The status of NAPs and Key milestones for NAPs, country's bottle necks in advancing NAP Efforts and UNFCCC Support.	Ms. Lilian Kempango, Adaptation Regional Specialist, UNFCCC RCC EASA
14:30-14:40	Roundtable discussion with all partners - NAP support available - Pipeline Activities for NAP Acceleration planned through the Last Quarter 2026 that could be instrumental for countries	Confirmed Partner Representatives UNCDF FAO Commonwealth NDC Partnership UNDP
14:40-15:15	Discussions_ Reflections and additions to the specific discussion areas and call for collaborations - UNFCCC NAP Support Architecture	RCC EASA Facilitator
15:25-15:30	Closing remarks and way forward	Mr. William Otieno, UNFCCC Regional Collaboration Centre for ESA

Welcome!

Housekeeping Details



We invite you to introduce yourself in the chat. Feel free to share your name, pronouns, organization, and where you are joining us from.



Today's event will be recorded and made available through UNFCCC RCC website



Keynote address



William Otieno
UNFCCC Regional Lead, RCC EASA



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Lilian Kempango

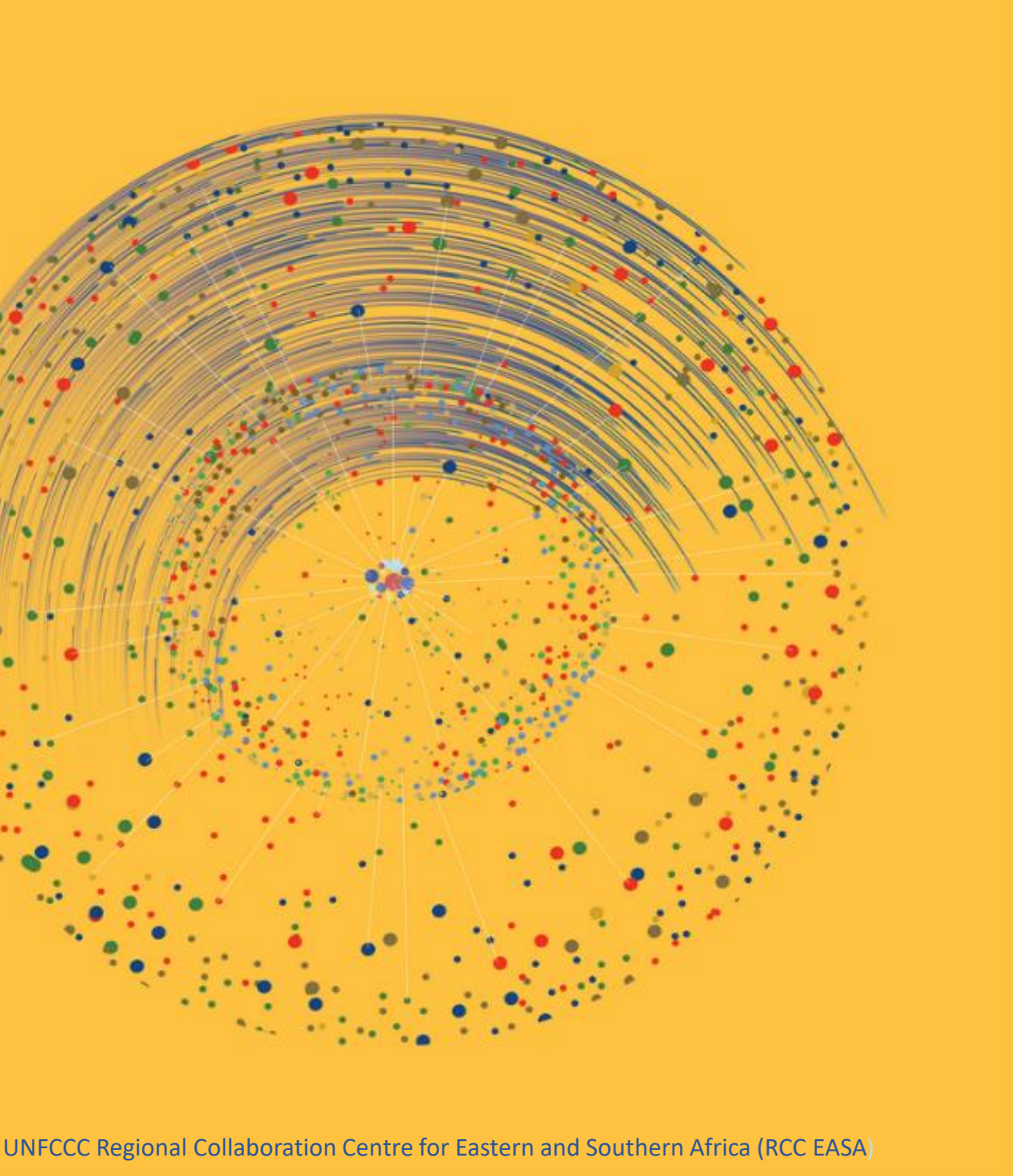
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NATIONAL ADAPTATION PLANS

Status, Milestones on NAPs

Global progress • East and Southern Africa in focus • Country bottlenecks

Presenter

Lillian KEMPANGO
Adaptation Regional Specialist

What We'll Cover

01

Global NAP Status

Where the 154 developing countries stand in the process

02

Africa & East/Southern Africa

Regional progress, RCC EASA countries in focus

03

Country Bottlenecks

What's slowing formulation and implementation

04

UNFCCC & Partner Support

The architecture of support available to countries

Global NAP Status Snapshot

144

countries have initiated
or launched the NAP process

67

developing countries have
submitted their NAP

23

of those are
Least Developed Countries

14

of those are
Small Island Developing States

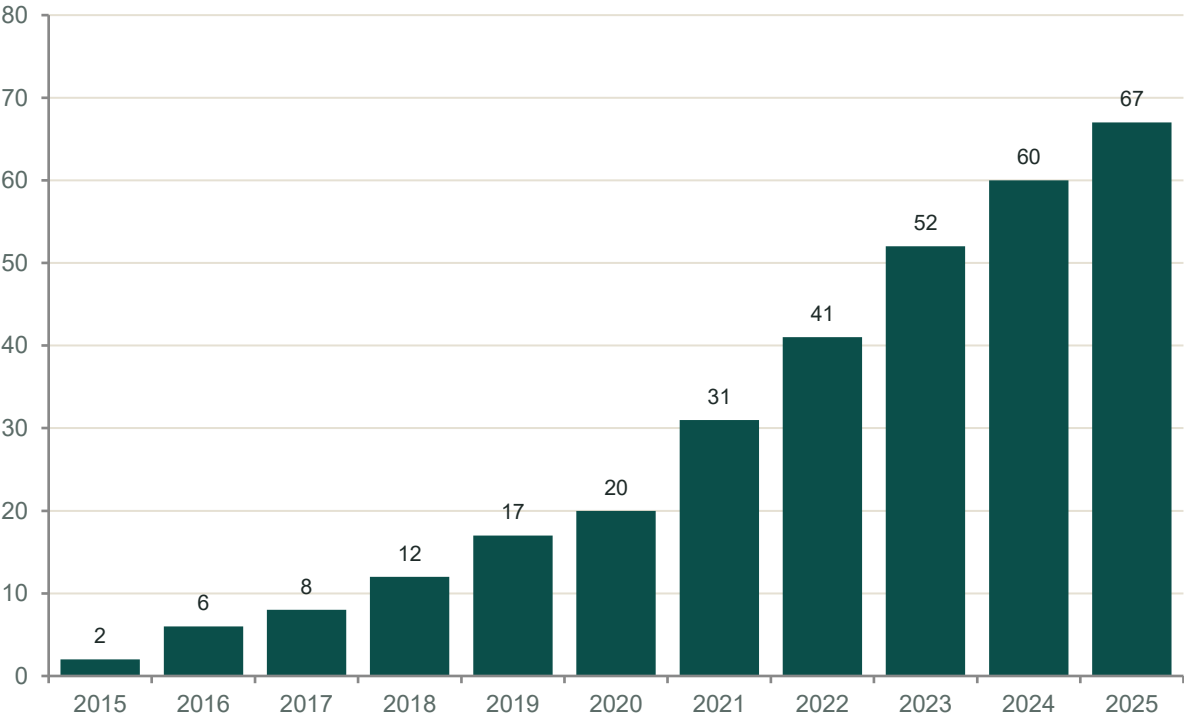
Nine developing countries submitted new NAPs during the reporting period – including Zimbabwe. Burkina Faso became the first LDC to submit an updated (iterated) NAP.

The shift underway

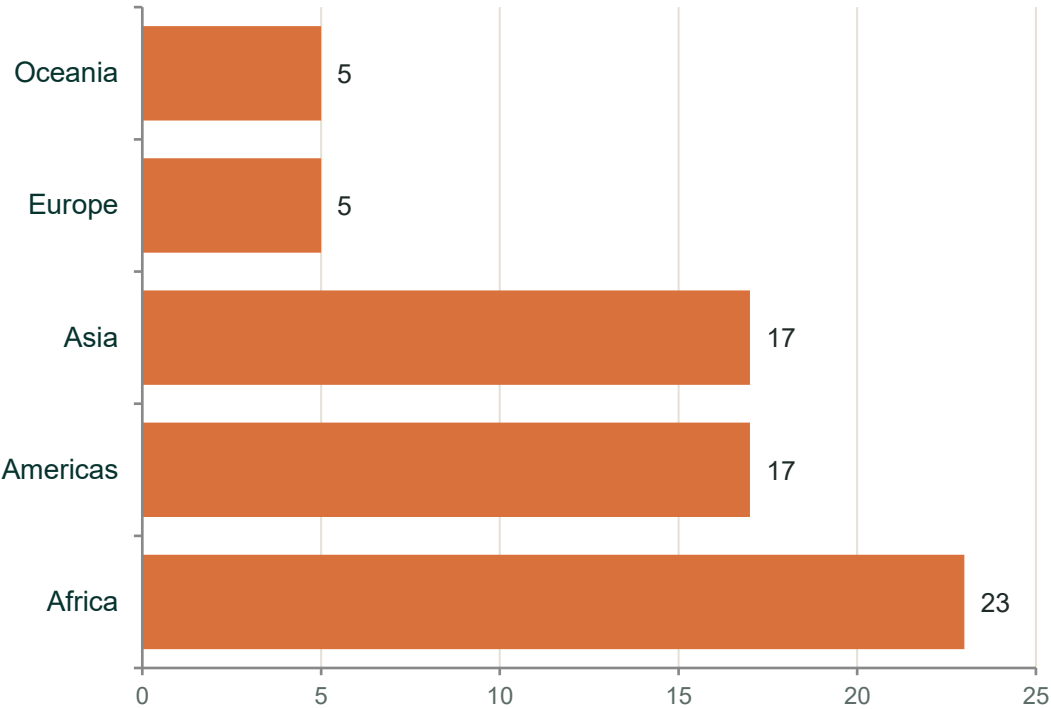
The NAP process is turning a corner – from conceptualization and planning toward consolidation of adaptation responses and implementation. But most action remains project-by-project, fragmented, and constrained by capacity and resources relative to escalating climate risk.

NAP Submissions: Trend and Regional Spread

Cumulative NAPs submitted, by year

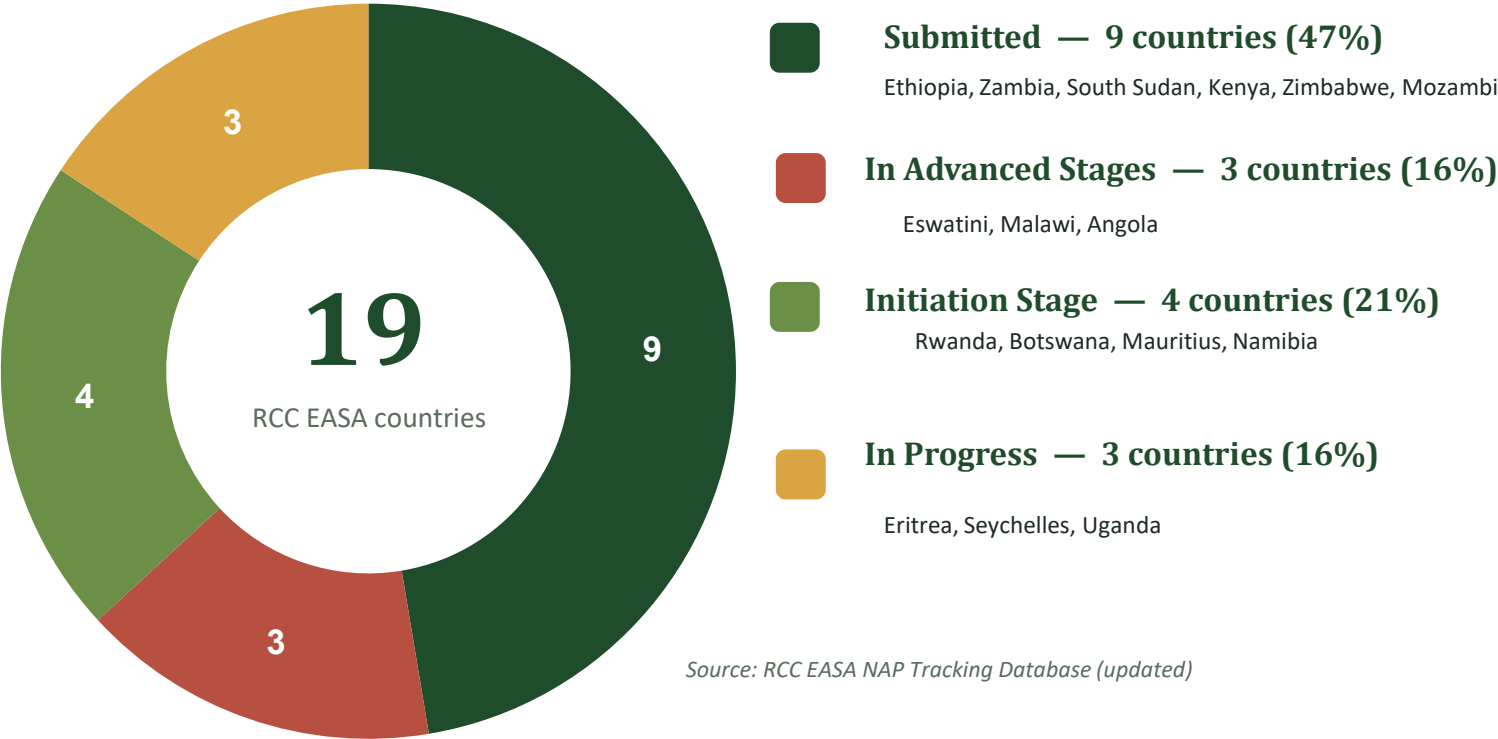


NAPs submitted, by region



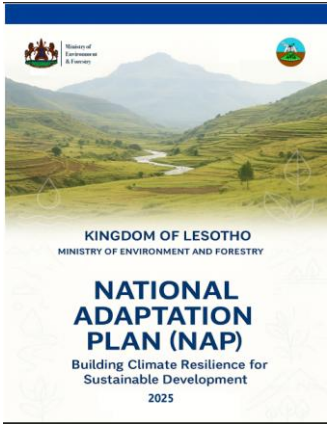
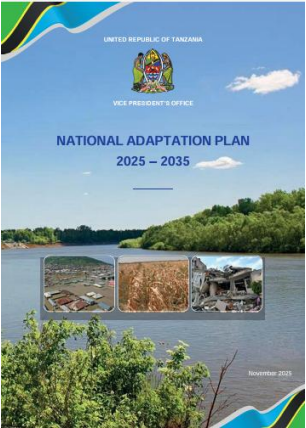
Africa leads all regions with 23 NAPs submitted – but with 54 countries in the region, most have not yet reached submission.

East and Southern Africa in Focus



Source: RCC EASA NAP Tracking Database (updated)

Tanzania and Lesotho submitted NAPs in H1 2026



Country-Level Bottlenecks

Limited funding and direct access entities

Few accredited national entities for GCF/AF/LDCF means projects route through international intermediaries, slowing approval and reducing country ownership.

Lengthy, complex project cycles

Full project-development cycles are required for every proposal, despite the priorities already being framed in the NAP itself.

Institutional discontinuity

Interministerial coordination mechanisms often lack long-term ownership; staff turnover erodes technical memory between NAP cycles.

Project-by-project financing

No dedicated modality exists to fund full NAP implementation – support remains fragmented across individual projects.

MEL systems still maturing

Many countries lack functioning monitoring, evaluation and learning frameworks to demonstrate whether adaptation action is reducing vulnerability.

Heavy reliance on external technical support

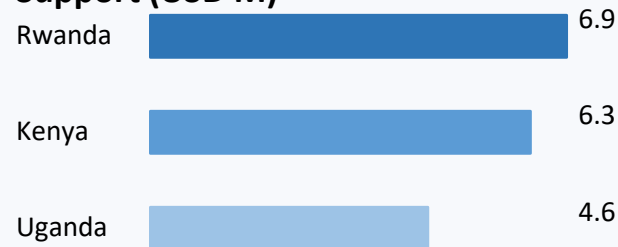
Sustained capacity gaps mean many countries depend on consultants and partners rather than in-house expertise.

NAP Financing in RCC EASA Region: Readiness vs. Reality

GCF Readiness has enabled NAP preparation, but adaptation finance needs vastly exceed current flows.

Global GCF Readiness Snapshot
USD 630.6M approved
798 requests | 142 countries
≥50% targeted to LDCs, SIDS & African States

Selected RCC EASA Readiness Support (USD M)



Adaptation Finance Gap (2035)

Needs: USD 310-365B/yr
Flows: USD 26B (2023)
Gap: USD 284-339B/yr
Needs are 12-14× current flows

Key message: Readiness financing is helping countries reach the NAP starting line, but scaling implementation finance remains the central challenge for the region.



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SESSION 1 — CLOSING

Thank You

Over to Session 2 — Roundtable discussion with all partners on NAP Support

STAY IN TOUCH

Reach out to your RCC EASA focal point and "L4-Adaptation-LEG&NAP-Unit" L4-Adaptation-LEG&NAP-Unit@unfccc.int & "LEG Help" LEGHelp@unfccc.int for tailored NAP support

Session II: Country Interventions



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Climate Change Expert,
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Reflections from the Food and Agriculture Organization of the
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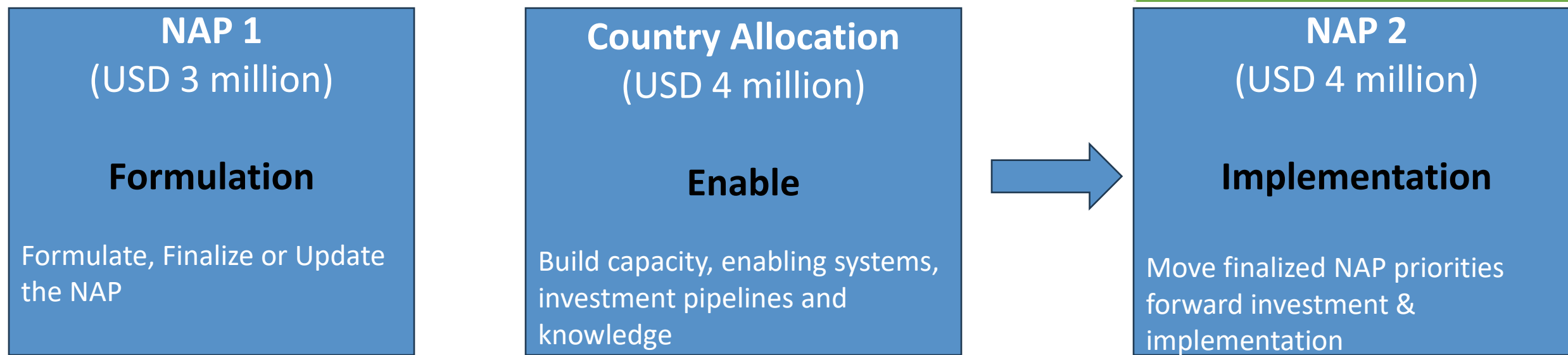
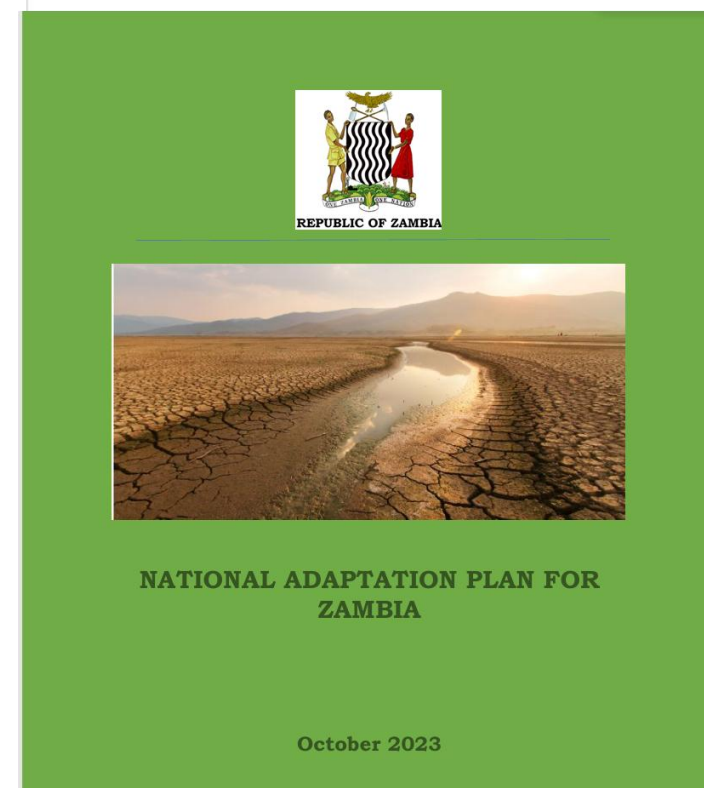
FAO Support to NAPs

- **Technical Support:** Support development and application of tools to generate climate evidence-based data
 - CAVA tool - Climate and Agriculture Risk Visualization and Assessment
 - Climate Action Review (CAR) Tool
 - Self-evaluation and Holistic Assessment of climate Resilience of farmers and Pastoralists (SHARP)
 - EX-ACT - EX-Ante Carbon-balance Tool
 - GALS - Gender Action Learning Systems Tool
- **Gender mainstreaming in national policies**
- **Capacity Building and Tracking**

FAO Support to NAPs

- **Financial Support**

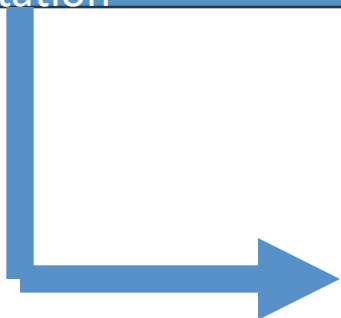
- Supporting countries to access financial resources for formulation and implementation of the NAP – Agriculture
 - Uganda, Kenya and Zambia
- **24 NAP Readiness Grants accessed from the GCF= USD 33 million**



Pipelines through 2026

NAP 2
(USD 4 million)
Implementation

Move finalized NAP priorities forward investment & implementation



FAO is supporting countries to access and use readiness support;

- Set up clear NAP roles and coordination
- Link national, sector and local planning e.g. *Facilitating the development of policy briefs eg Advancing Gender Responsive Climate Action through DDPs*
- Engage ministries, communities and the private sector
- Build skills for planning, finance and monitoring
- Country level analysis, training and use of results from FAO tools

Coordination and complementarity

Risk of duplication or fragmentation: From data and planning

- Climate-risk assessments
- Adaptation investment planning
- Institutional capacity building

Needed Coordination Mechanisms

Country-level NAP Partner Coordination Platform, led by the government and linked to the national climate finance and planning structures.

- Shared NAP partner calendar
- NAP activity and investment tracking platform
- Joint missions and diagnostics
- Common results framework

Request

Formation of strong partnerships at regional and country level for joint formulation of investment pipelines, aligning technical assistance around government priorities, and undertake joint missions and diagnostics where possible

Thank you

The UNFCCC & Partner Support Architecture

UNFCCC constituted bodies

LEG – draft NAP reviews, technical guidelines, country dialogues, roster of experts, NAP Central
AC, PCCB, FWG of the LCIPP, SCF, WIM ExCom – thematic and cross-cutting support

Regional Collaboration Centres

Six RCCs, including RCC EASA, extend the secretariat's reach: regional workshops, technical assistance, NAP reviews, matchmaking with financiers

UN4NAPs

Rapid-response technical backstopping network of 55 UN agencies and organizations; 100+ countries engaged, 155+ requests answered since 2021

NAP Global Network, GGGI, GIZ, IKI

Long-standing bilateral and multilateral technical and financial support – 92, 55 and 34 countries supported respectively

RCC EASA: Accelerating NAPs in the Region

Across 19 countries in Eastern and Southern Africa, RCC EASA works as an extension of the UNFCCC secretariat's Adaptation Division to turn NAP ambition into bankable, funded action.



Regional workshops & webinars

NAP Peer Exchange Webinar (Aug 2026, RCC EASA & Tanzania), Integration of Education into the NAP, support to aligning the Updated NAP Technical guidelines



Technical assistance & NAP review

Direct support and matchmaking for countries progressing formulation or preparing to submit



Resource mobilization support

Helping countries articulate financing strategies and prepare GCF/AF/LDCF-ready proposals



Peer learning & coordination

Proposed regional Community of Practice on Adaptation and NAPs to institutionalize peer exchange



Interactive Discussion / (Q&A)



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Closing Remarks



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