

Navigating the landscape of support for the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans

Concept note on the update of the 2015 thematic report

Recommended action by the Adaptation Committee

The Adaptation Committee (AC), at its 19th meeting, will be invited to consider the information and next steps contained in this note and provide further input as needed.

1. Background

1. In 2015 the Adaptation Committee published the thematic report “Navigating the landscape of support for the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans” (NAP process).¹ The report provided an overview of financial, technological and capacity-building support as well as support in the form of guidance, information and knowledge from multilateral and bilateral sources available for developing countries that undertake the NAP process.
2. Under workstream B “Providing technical support and guidance to Parties on means of implementation” of its 2019–2021 workplan the AC agreed to produce, in 2021, an update of the report through its NAP task force (NAP TF) and with the support of the secretariat.

2. Approach

3. In updating the 2015 thematic report, the standalone report will be turned into an online information source and be integrated into NAP Central as the central and natural landing space for Parties and practitioners interested or involved in undertaking the NAP process. This approach is in line with the fourth objective of NAP Central, which is “to provide a main entry to NAP practitioners and offer links to available resources (funding and technical support), programmes supporting adaptation in developing countries, state of the science on aspects of adaptation (data, assessment, responses, etc), and provide a platform for sharing experience and ideas for advancing adaptation planning.”²
4. The integration of the information source into NAP Central offers the following benefits:
 - a) Centralizing information relevant for conducting the NAP process in one place so as to facilitate access by Parties and practitioners;
 - b) Providing flexibility both in terms of including information that responds to Parties’ emerging needs as well as in terms of involving external stakeholders in providing such information, thus broadening the relevance and reach of AC activities and products;
 - c) Allowing for regular updates of the information and related links; and
 - d) Enhancing coherence and collaboration between the AC/NAP TF and the LEG.
5. The structure of the online source will build on the 2015 thematic report and include the following categories of support:

¹ See [2015 thematic report](#).

² See UNFCCC [NAP Central/About](#).

- a) Guidance;
 - b) Financial support;
 - c) Technological support;
 - d) Capacity-building support;
 - e) Systematic observation, science and climate services;
 - f) Knowledge and information provision and sharing.
6. Each category will contain a short introduction, as well as a description of latest news on, and relevant links to, available types of support.

3. Next steps

7. The AC may wish to take note of the following next steps in updating the 2015 thematic report and provide further input, as needed, at AC 19:
- a) The NAP TF - comprising members of the AC, LEG, SCF, TEC, AF, GCF and GEF – and the secretariat will develop a prototype virtual information source, and update the relevant information from the 2015 publication, for the AC to consider at AC 20;
 - b) Taking into account comments from AC 20, the NAP TF and the secretariat will launch a full version of the information source by November 2021.

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