

# Building the evidence base for gender-responsive NAP processes

The role of targeted gender analyses

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# Gender in NAP documents

- All but one of the multi-sector NAP documents submitted to NAP Central as of the end of June mention gender
- Most NAPs position women as a particularly vulnerable group, and/or as beneficiaries of adaptation actions
- However, we are seeing more references to women as agents of change in adaptation



# of NAPs that mention gender



Positioning of women (# of NAPs)



# What can be learned through gender analysis?



What gaps exist in institutions and policies for gender-responsive adaptation?

Where are the opportunities?



How do people's adaptation needs and capacities differ?

Why do these differences exist?



Who has a voice in adaptation decision making?

Who is left out?



Who will benefit from investments in adaptation?

Who may be left behind?



# Impact of gender analysis: Strengthening institutional arrangements

- Gender analysis can help to identify gaps in institutional arrangements for adaptation that represent barriers to gender-responsive approaches
- Recommendations can help to:
  - Facilitate collaboration among gender and climate change actors
  - Ensure that decision-making bodies are gender balanced



# Impact of gender analysis: Informed adaptation planning

- Gender analysis can provide evidence for identifying and prioritizing adaptation actions
- Recommendations can help to:
  - Integrate gender considerations throughout NAPs
  - Emphasize the need for locally led approaches
  - Avoid generalizations about women as a particularly vulnerable group



# Impact of gender analysis: Gender-responsive implementation strategies

- Gender analysis can help to ensure that adaptation actions are implemented in a gender-responsive manner
- Recommendations can help to:
  - Target investments for equitable outcomes
  - Address capacity gaps that may limit participation in adaptation action
  - Avoid exacerbating existing inequalities



# Lessons learned on gender analysis for NAP processes

- More countries are choosing to use this tool as part of their NAP processes
- The process matters as much as the result
- Gender analysis is relevant at different points in NAP processes
- Focus on institutions and policies is important
- Intersectional lens is essential, but challenging



# Thank you!

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