

INTRODUCTION AND FRAMING

Session: NAP Expo 2023 – objectives and expected outcomes

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Two objectives of the process to formulate and implement National Adaptation Plans



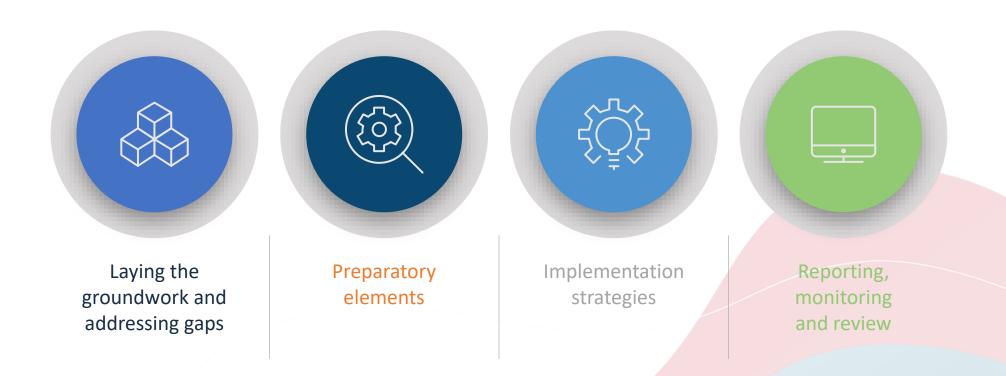
To reduce vulnerability to the impacts of climate change by building adaptive capacity and resilience;



To facilitate the integration of climate change adaptation, in a coherent manner, into relevant new and existing policies, programmes and activities, in particular development planning processes and strategies, within all relevant sectors and at different levels, as appropriate.



Elements of the process to formulate and implement NAPs





The NAP and the underlying process



The **process** of supporting the work on adaptation, vertically integrated from observations and research, analysis, assessments, priority setting, plans and their implementation, then reporting, monitoring and review. These are ongoing and long-term activities, and include activities to enable them (stocktaking, identifying gaps and obstacles, addressing those gaps, etc.).



The NAP, the plan, which is a statement of what is known and prioritized for a given time slice - to inform implementation, monitoring and evaluation, and many other uses as explained below. The NAP formulated and communicated should thus give details about the process, and also include information about how the process will be continued and supported, to lead to more and better plans the next time slice – in an iterative manner;



NAP EXPO 2023 objectives



To facilitate the interaction between country NAP teams and providers of support, including, among others, the GCF, GEF and AF, and their respective entities, **United Nations** organizations and other international organizations, bilateral and multilateral agencies, regional centers and networks, the private sector and academia, to enhance access to financing for NAPs



To create an interactive global forum on NAPs for countries to share experience, best practices and lessons learned; for different organizations and bodies to conduct specialized meetings and workshops; and for Parties and non-Party stakeholders to interact, in advancing the formulation and implementation of NAPs



To serve as the global platform to advance technical and practical measures towards the production of NAPs by each country, and the implementation of policies, projects and programmes associated with the NAPs



Expected outcomes

- **Incubation of new ideas** to facilitate the scaling up of adaptation planning and implementation;
- Communities of practice on specific themes such as data and climate change scenarios; vulnerable groups, communities and ecosystems; gender; project proposal development; NAP implementation; NAP technical guidelines; tracking progress on NAPs, and monitoring and evaluation; engaging the private sector in NAPs; the role of youth; etc.
- Regional cooperation such as on transboundary adaptation projects; sharing of data and facilitating joint assessments; pooling of technical resources and knowledge; and exchange of experience, good practices and lessons learned at regional level;
- Joint publications and products publications; technical guidelines; good practices and lessons learned in implementing adaptation; case studies on assessing adaptation needs, demonstrating the adaptation need; etc.



Highlights from previous NAP Expos

Joint and individual support programmes that have taken part at the NAP Expos

- NAP Global Support Programme by UNDP and UNEP
- Integrating Agriculture in National Adaptation Plans (NAP-Ag) by FAO and UNDP
- NAP Global Network by IISD
- Local Climate Adaptive Living Facility (LoCAL) by UNCDF
- Global Framework for Climate Services by WMO
- UN Climate Change Learning Partnership (UN CC:Learn) by UNITAR
- Southern Voices on Adaptation by CARE International
- Climate Service Center Germany (GERICS)
- Etc.



Highlights from previous NAP Expos

Innovative adaptation solutions

- Best bets for agriculture
- Early warning systems
- Seed preservation The Global Seed Vault
- Managing urban flooding through urban architectural design and green spaces
- Water cycle restoration techniques
- Technological innovations in adaptation Big Data, ML, AI;
- Biodiversity as a pillar for national adaptation strategies
- Infrastructure resilience
- Learning from climate shocks Cape Town water crisis, Hurricane Irma
- Integrated national drought management
- Aligning adaptation with the SDGs and other frameworks
- ... and more



Highlights from previous NAP Expos

Observations

- Countries are making noteworthy progress on their NAPs. They are building on their national circumstance and ongoing milieu of adaptation activities;
- There is growing evidence of effective adaptation solutions, and more work is needed to identify a broader set of good practices and successes
- Learning is an important part of adaptation, and the opportunity exists to systematically learn from deliberate experimentation and trials, as well as from dealing with climate shocks;
- Vast amounts of data exist, some of which can inform assessments and planning, and several large-scale models can offer valuable results
- There is a vibrant support system for the NAPs by many agencies and programmes.
 Opportunities exist to focus and coordinate technical support to achieve better and more consistent results;
- Use of a systems approach is useful in providing greater specificity as countries shift from formulation to implementation;



The NAP Expos, as the main adaptation expos, are effective at bringing together different actors and stakeholders to share experience and lessons learned

