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2.4.1 Multistakeholder engagement in NAPs

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NAPs Guiding principles

- Of the core guiding principles of the process to formulate and implement NAPs are **participatory and follow multi-stakeholder engagement approaches**, considering all actors and stakeholders including, inter alia, women, youth, civil society, the private sector, financial institutions, cities and other subnational authorities, local communities and Indigenous Peoples.
- Since 2001, the LEG has been promoting these important aspects by factoring these in technical guidelines, engaging appropriate experts, drawing upon LDCs experience, mobilizing support for the LDCs, catalyzing implementation, and promoting best practices and lessons learned.



Gender sensitivity

Countries are placing great importance on gender in their adaptation actions

- Women are embraced in NAPs as a vulnerable group and as agents of change;
- **35** out of the 37 NAPs reviewed have a strong emphasis on gender;
- **Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Fiji, Kenya, Kiribati, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, State of Palestine, Suriname and Uruguay** – inter alia – have specific adaptation actions that have considered gender explicitly;
- In **Saint Vincent and the Grenadines**, all the adaptation options to be implemented will go through further gender analysis;
- In **Grenada's NAP**, women were explicitly engaged in the national consultations.

Youth in adaptation to climate change

In many NAPs, youth are considered throughout, incl. in priority actions

- In **Central African Republic's NAP**, because people under 35 make 75% of the population, the NAP emphasizes the importance of involving young people in adaptation efforts, not only to reduce their vulnerability, but also to ensure their proactive engagement in the fight against climate change as decision-makers of tomorrow;
- In **Chad's NAP**, one of the priority adaptation measures is the facilitation of access to land for women and youth and the promotion of green entrepreneurship for women and youth:
- In **Ethiopia's NAP**, youth served as major criteria to prioritize adaptation actions;
- In **Saint Lucia**, the Caribbean Youth Environment Network was engaged in formulating the NAP.

Local and Indigenous Peoples' knowledge and values

Countries that have recognized local and Indigenous People's knowledge and values are undertaking steps to ensure meaningful integration of those into the formulation and implementation of NAPs

- **Cambodia** highlighted the need to engage indigenous peoples in the design of social protection programmes, which is one of its priority intervention;
- **Brazil's NAP** includes a chapter that focuses on the vulnerabilities of Brazil's Indigenous Peoples Groups;
- **DRC's NAP** focuses on indigenous women by including a risk and vulnerability analysis of climate change impacts on this group and the preparation of a "*Plan to build the resilience of indigenous women to the effects of climate change in the DRC*" in the process to develop the NAP;
- In **Paraguay** and **South Africa**, indigenous communities and native people have been key actors during the development process of the NAP.



Private sector engagement

In many countries, the process to formulate and implement NAPs has been highly participatory, applying outreach activities for the broader public and specific target groups such as the private sector

- In **Armenia**, institutional arrangements have been set up to provide a forum in which the government, private sector entities, and international development partners can jointly engage on a broad spectrum of activities to support and coordinate climate resilience efforts;
- In **Benin's NAP**, the private sector is one of the actors targeted for the resource mobilization strategy. The private sector has been included in some adaptation options;
- **Cambodia's NAP** highlights that the private sector and organizations are important actors in the downstream implementation of climate change activities, as well as in research and development and learning associated with climate change;
- In some NAPs (**Cameroon, CAR, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, DRC**) the private sector will be engaged as one of the financing resources for NAP implementation.

Multistakeholder forums subgroup

- The LEG established a **Multi-stakeholder Forums subgroup** to support its work on enhancing engagement and activities in the area of NAPs related to gender, youth, the private sector, national and subnational authorities, local communities and indigenous peoples
- As part of this group, multiple stakeholders can engage as policy accelerators by **collaborating with the LEG and provide direct inputs** on how to accelerate the process for formulating and implementing NAPs in the least developed countries



Events on multi-stakeholder engagement

Sessions conducted in previous **NAP Expos** revolved around themes such as opportunities for **gender-responsive adaptation planning and action** through NAPs and **harnessing the power of youth** in NAPs

Recent activities and engagements by the LEG:

- Global Youth Adaptation Forum at NAP Expo 2023
- SB 58 ACE poster on **youth engagement in adaptation**
- SB 58 in-session dialogue on **gender**
- Workshop on advancing meaningful participation of **Indigenous Peoples and local communities** in the UNFCCC process

- Young people use their creative ideas and skills to scale up adaptation actions.
- Youth have diverse interests and expertise and are a heterogeneous group with different perspectives and priorities.
- Where facilitated, youth are at the center of planning and implementing climate adaptation actions in their communities.

The LDC Expert Group (LEG) is proactively engaging youth in adaptation:

YOUTH AS POLICY ACCELERATORS

THE MULTI-STAKEHOLDER FORUMS SUBGROUP

The LEG has established the multi-stakeholder forums subgroup under the NAP Technical Working Group to support work on enhancing engagement and activities in NAPs.



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YOUTH AS AGENTS OF CHANGE

THE GLOBAL YOUTH ADAPTATION DIALOGUE

The LEG organizes the Global Youth Adaptation Dialogue Forum of the NAP Expos, a platform to showcase youth-led adaptation solutions.



Young climate experts can participate in the dialogue. Keynote speakers set the tone for the dialogue of the NAP Expo through their presentations.





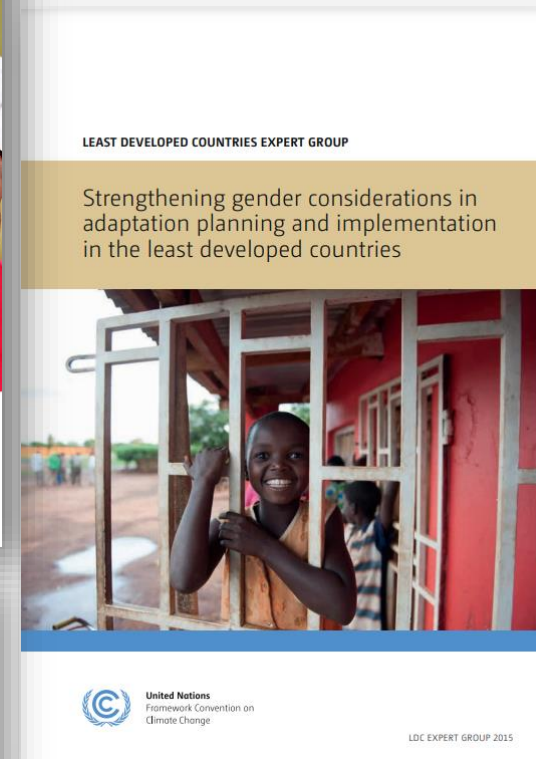
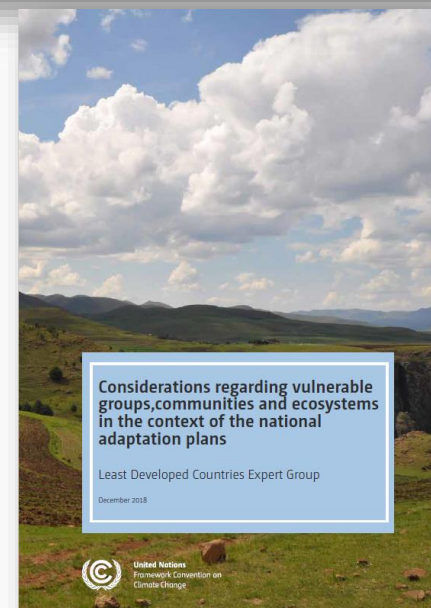
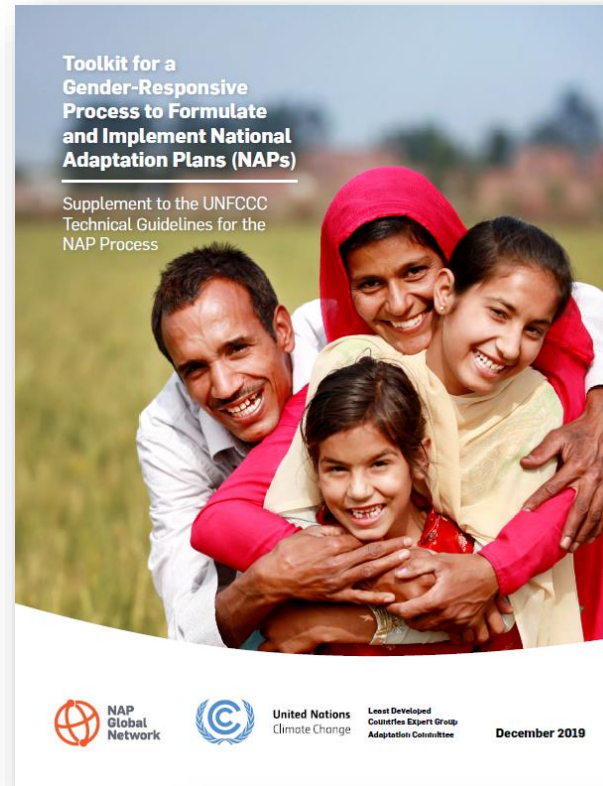
Resources on multi-stakeholder engagement

Resources on gender sensitivity in NAPs

- *Toolkit for Gender-Responsive Process to Formulate and Implement National Adaptation Plans (NAPs)*, in collaboration with AC, NAP Global Network;
- Technical paper on “*Strengthening gender considerations in adaptation planning and implementation in the least developed countries*”.

Resources on vulnerable groups, communities and ecosystems

- Technical paper on “*Considerations regarding vulnerable groups, communities and ecosystems*”.





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Thank you!

