

The NAP Global Network

Rationale

The National Adaptation Plan (NAP) process was created to assist developing countries in meeting their medium- and long-term adaptation needs. The objectives of the NAP process are to build adaptive capacity and resilience and facilitate the integration of climate change adaptation into development planning processes in order to reduce vulnerability to the impacts of climate change.

Meeting these objectives will require sustained dialogue and coordination among multiple actors, both within countries and globally. While NAP processes are shaped by national circumstances, questions and lessons can be shared across countries and regions. For donors providing support to NAP processes, opportunities to better coordinate, leverage and learn from each other's programs must be harnessed.

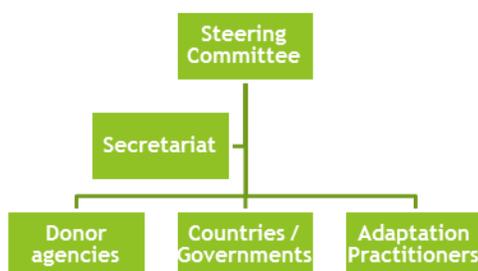
Recognizing the growing importance of NAP processes, and the need to coordinate and learn from each other in designing and implementing national adaptation planning strategies and activities, the NAP Global Network was launched in December 2014 at COP 20 in Lima, Peru.

Goal and Objectives

The overall goal of the Network is to **enhance support for national adaptation planning and action in developing countries**. This will be achieved by:

- **Improving coordination among bilateral development partners** to develop a shared understanding of national adaptation planning and how it can be best supported;
- **Facilitating learning and exchange** on the challenges and opportunities associated with the NAP process; and
- **Supporting enhanced leadership on adaptation at the national level** to enable better in-country coordination of domestic and international actors in the NAP process.

Structure of the Network



The Network will be guided by a **Steering Committee**, composed of developing country experts and bilateral agencies. Day-to-day Network operations will be managed by a **Secretariat**. Network members will consist of bilateral agencies, developing country governments, and other adaptation practitioners (i.e. NGOs, research bodies, businesses).

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Members of the Steering Committee currently represent the following countries: Brazil, Germany, Jamaica, Japan, Malawi, the Philippines, South Africa, Togo, the UK, and the US.

The Secretariat of the Network is being hosted by the International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD).

Initial support for the Network is being provided by Germany and the US.

Questions for the Steering Committee regarding Network structure and governance

- How often should the Steering Committee meet? How?
- What should be the membership requirements? Membership benefits?
- Do we assign a special observer or advisory role to other NAP bodies / initiatives - e.g. LEG, UNDP/UNEP and the NAG GSP; Adaptation Committee, etc.

Components of the Network

The goals and objectives of the Network will be met through three types of activities:

1. **Organization of Targeted Topics Forum (TTF) events:** Meetings and workshops to provide a space for practitioners, national policy makers, and donors to discuss the institutional and technical challenges, as well as best practices, related to national adaptation planning. The meetings will be organized around specific topics and use facilitated interactions to encourage peer learning and the co-production of knowledge.

Questions for the Steering Committee regarding the Targeted Topics Forum:

- *What is the desired topic(s) for the inaugural TTF this year?*
- *Which individuals and organizations do we want actively participating at the 2015 TTF?*
- *What is the appropriate role for interested agencies and institutions?*
- *What is the preferred size of the 2015 TTF?*
- *When and how do we want to hold the 2015 TTF?*
- *How do we want to communicate/build awareness before and after the TTF (e.g. webinars)?*
- *How do we want to decide on future topics for TTF events?*

2. **Global donor coordination:** Set of activities to raise donor awareness on the need for and value of national adaptation planning, provide them with opportunities to learn from each other's approaches and experiences, and encourage them to coordinate and collaborate with each other on relevant support in developing countries.

Questions for the Steering Committee regarding Global donor coordination:

- *What kind of work will get underway this year?*
- *What specific information and communication needs are there at the global level?*
- *What is the model for engagement - e.g. meeting and factsheet - for global coordination?*

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3. **In-country coordination:** Technical support activities - from meetings to developing targeted outreach materials - to help shift the view of climate stress as a strictly environmental issue to an economic development challenge, and to broaden ownership of the NAP process to all affected ministries; encourage donors to collaborate with host country leadership to develop and work from a shared “resilient development roadmap”; and communicate in-country efforts to global processes.

Questions for the Steering Committee regarding In-country coordination:

- *What components of the planning process would benefit from better coordination?*
- *Are there countries that represent good opportunities for consideration?*
- *How do we work with countries at different stages of national adaptation planning design / implementation?*
- *What is the model for engagement - i.e. meetings and factsheets - in each country?*