

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 reduce vulnerability, increase resilience and integrate climate change into development processes.

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 the NAP process, opportunities to better coordinate, leverage and learn from each other's programs must be harnessed.

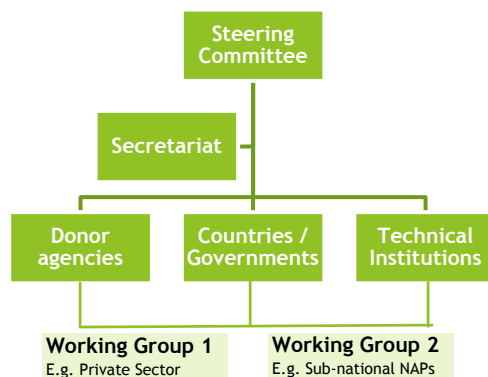
Recognizing the growing importance of NAP processes, and the need to coordinate and learn from each other in designing and implementing these processes, the NAP Global Network (NGN) was launched in December 2014 at COP 20 in Lima, Peru.

Goal and Objectives

The overall goal of the NGN is to **enhance support for [and uptake of?] the NAP process in developing countries**. This will be achieved by:

- **Facilitating learning and exchange** on the challenges and opportunities associated with the NAP process;
- **Improving coordination among bilateral development partners** to develop a shared understanding of national adaptation planning and how it can be best supported; 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 NGN



The Network will be overseen by a **Steering Committee**, composed of developing country partners and bilateral donors. Day-to-day Network operations will be managed by a **Secretariat**, hosted by IISD. Network members, consisting of donor agencies, developing country governments, and technical institutions (i.e. NGOs, research bodies, businesses) can organize themselves into **Working Groups** for more targeted, technical exchanges; these Working Groups can be time-bound (e.g. organization of a TTF) or ongoing.

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 role to other NAP bodies / initiatives - e.g. LEG, UNDP/UNEP and the NAG GSP; Adaptation Committee, etc.

Components of the NGN

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

1. **Organisation of Targeted Topics Forum (TTF):** Meetings to provide a space for donors, national policy makers and practitioners to discuss the institutional and technical challenges, as well as best practices, related to NAP processes. The meetings will be organised 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 organisations do we want actively participating at the 2015 TTF?
- What is the appropriate role for interested agencies and institutions (i.e. observers)?
- 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 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 NAP processes, provide them with opportunities to learn from each other's approaches and experiences, and encourage them coordinate and collaborate with each other on NAP support in developing countries.

Questions for the Steering Committee regarding Global donor coordination:

- What kind of work will get underway this year, especially given the negotiating schedule?

3. **In-country coordination:** Technical support activities - from organising meetings to developing targeted outreach materials - to help shift 'ownership' of the NAP process to influential 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 Global donor coordination:

- What are the criteria for country selection?
- How do we work with countries at different stages of NAP design / implementation?
- What is the model for engagement - i.e. meeting and factsheets - in each country?