

Regional Workshop on Integrated Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation Planning

14 - 16 December, UNON Campus, Nairobi (Kenya)

<https://www.undrr.org/event/regional-workshop-integrated-disaster-risk-reduction-and-climate-change-adaptation-planning>

Background

The climate emergency is the biggest economic, social, and environmental threat facing the planet and humanity. Climate-related disasters have almost doubled compared to the previous twenty years. This has exacerbated inequalities within and between countries, with LDCs and SIDS contributing the least to global emissions, often experiencing the worst impacts of the climate emergency. Climate change compounds other human security risks, like e.g., conflict, and food & water security, leading to increased humanitarian needs, with already one in every 33 people globally in need of assistance and protection.

The increased climate change variability and associated disaster risks are threatening the sustainability of development in many countries. Climate change is already undermining the ability, especially of SIDS and LDCs, to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction.

COP27 priorities on mitigation, adaptation, financing and loss and damage are mutually shared across all domains. Disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation have the common objective of reducing vulnerability and enhancing capacity and resilience.

This redirected focus on climate action is advanced through UNDRR's flagship initiative, **comprehensive disaster and climate risk management** (www.undrr.org/crm). This is aligned with the Target E of the Sendai Framework which seeks to increase the number of countries with national and local disaster risk reduction strategies, wherein the promotion of policy coherence with climate change, among others, is one of the defined principles.

The CRM approach aims to integrate risk reduction into national adaptation plans, climate information and adaptation considerations into disaster risk reduction plans, and where relevant and agreeable, an integrated plan. The CRM approach is, hence, key to making the shift towards integrated plans and policies, supported by a shared understanding of risk and coherent institutions.

Such a comprehensive approach takes into consideration a number of factors to purposively strengthen synergies between disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation, by identifying mutually beneficial opportunities across policies and programmes, while developing capacities of governments for cross-sectoral planning. Post-COP 27, the implementation of CRM programme in Africa and Arab States seeks to integrate risk-centered approaches into national plans and strategies, focusing on climate risks across different timescales – short, medium, and long-term

Workshop objective

The regional workshop will aim to enhance national capacities to develop and implement integrated plans, and protect productive sectors from climate impacts, including through increased hazard frequency and intensity.

The workshop will:

- Convene key government representatives from ministries responsible for disaster risk management, climate change adaptation, and planning and finance, together with UN and international organizations to share good practices and challenges in integrated planning.
- Streamline and advance the process of integrated disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation planning and promote the application of climate information for planning.
- Invite participants to engage and contribute to developing/updating risk-informed and inclusive national DRR plans and/or National Adaptation Plans that encourage integrated climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction actions across all sectors at all levels.
- Share information and updates on existing coordination mechanisms, ongoing projects, risk data, and national climate and disaster finance tracking.

Expected outcome

This regional workshop will result in a shared vision for implementation of existing plans or the development of new plans (DRR strategies, NAPs, or integrated plans). The workshop will enable countries to develop and implement climate-risk informed, data-driven national plans or integrated strategies, enabling them to draw on the skills and capacities of relevant line ministries, and building on the concepts and good global practices on development and implementation of National Adaptation Plans and DRR strategies.

Key outcomes of the workshop include:

1. A roadmap, including guiding principles, to boost integrated disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation planning.
2. Commitments from countries and regional institutions on the development and or update of NAPs and DRR strategies.
3. Outline capacity development needs to access climate finance in order to implement NAPs and DRR strategies.

The workshop will ensure that:

1. Invited disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation actors are informed about the process for developing risk-informed national adaptation plans, and translate the plans into actions, inviting them to contribute.
2. An overview of the current adaptation and risk governance landscape is shared, including existing sector and development policies and plans, institutional mechanisms, ongoing programmes, risk data ecosystem, and capacities.
3. Knowledge and experience on the current state of climate and risk understanding and adaptation/risk reduction action are discussed among participants and country

groups, highlighting the current policy landscape and opportunities for enhancing integration.

Target Audience

- National DRR focal points (not limited to emergency response/preparedness officers)
- Climate change focal points (environment/climate change, NAP focal points)
- Representatives from Ministries of planning and finance
- Development partners/UN agencies / International organizations
- Regional organizations
- International and Regional Financial Institutions

Key Technical Resources

1. [Technical guidelines for national adaptation plan process](#)
2. [Guidance: Developing national disaster risk reduction strategies](#)
3. [Guidance: Promoting synergy and alignment: between Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction in the context of National Adaptation Plans \(DRR4NAPs\)](#)
4. [Technical Guidance on Comprehensive Risk Assessment & Planning in the Context of Climate Change](#)
5. [Implementation guide for local disaster risk reduction & resilience strategies](#)
6. [Guidance: National and Local Platforms for Disaster Risk Reduction](#)
7. [Guidance: Nature-based solutions for disaster risk reduction](#)
8. [Policy Brief: Disaster risk reduction and climate change](#)
9. [Policy landscape analysis in Sub-Saharan Africa](#)
 - a. National policy landscape analyses in [Benin](#), [Malawi](#), [Niger](#) and [Uganda](#)

Agenda (draft as of 07 Dec 2022)

Time/Day	duration (min)	Session focus and format	Session led by / Presenter
Day 1: 14th December / Understanding the current status			
08:00 – 9:00	60	Arrival and registration	MC: Roberto Lomoriello / Mirna Abu Ata (UNDRR)
09:00 – 9:30	30	Welcome remarks. Amjad Abbashar, Chief, UNDRR Regional Office for Africa	Amjad Abbashar (UNDRR)
9:30 – 10:00	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scene setting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Key outcomes for COP27 - Synergies NAP-DRR planning - UN System collaboration – UN4NAPs • Overview of the workshop- Agenda and expected outcomes by UNDRR Bonn - 5 min <p>Introduction of participants –1 question/ <i>Interactive exercise</i>. What is the most pressing climate and disaster risk for your organization? / Why is this important for you? – 30 min</p>	Paul V. Desanker, Manager, Response Division, Adaptation Division, UNFCCC Secretariat Martin Ras (UNDRR) Sirine Saghira (UNDRR) Slido (2)
10:00 – 10:15	Coffee break		

10:15– 12:30	135 min	<p><u>Session 1 : Integrated Planning and Policy landscape</u></p> <p>1.1: Approaches and tools for integrated plans and actions for disaster and climate risk management across sectors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehensive disaster and climate risk management (CRM) – Overview & contribution for strategic planning – 20 min (UNDRR) • Pacific experiences in Integrated disaster and climate risk reduction strategic planning (15 min) • IFRC - Legal Frameworks for DRR and CCA in Africa (10 min) <p>1.2: The regional context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • African Union Commission (TBC) (10 min) <p>1.3: Existing policy and institutional landscape for climate and disaster risk management and monitoring.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NAP policy good practices (UNEP/UNDP) (15 min) • UNDRR - CRM good practices from Arab States and Africa (15 min) <p>Q&A</p> <p>Group work: Policy environment for DRR and CCA</p>	<p>Animesh Kumar / Martin Ras (UNDRR)</p> <p>Mosese Sikivou Pacific, Island Forum Secretariat (PIFS) Phoebe Wafubwa SHIKUKU (IFRC)</p> <p>Mr. Gatkuoth Kai/ Leah Naess Wanambwa (AUC) - TBC</p> <p>Lou Perpes, (UNEP) Daisy Mukarakate (UNDP) Heba Alhariry / Roberto Lomoriello (UNDRR)</p> <p>Slido on Session 1 main take away</p>
12:30 - 13:30	60 min	<i>Lunch break</i>	

<p>13:30 – 14:30</p>	<p>60min</p>	<p>Session 2: Understanding risk at the National Level:</p> <p>Risk profile and resilience capacities, considering climate projections</p> <p>Panel 1: Risk information</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Understanding risk in participating countries: Findings from Risk Information Exchange (RiX) (10 min) 2. Losses and damages information – (10 min) 3. National risk assessment and risk profiles – Perspective from South Africa and the SADC region (10 min) 4. Disaster risk and vulnerability information – assessments to date (or pipeline), scope, outputs and application. Presentation by NDMAs (10 min) <p><i>Q&A (20 min)</i></p>	<p>MC: Roberto Lomoriello / Mirna Abu Ata (UNDRR)</p> <p>Asha Sitati (UNDRR)</p> <p>Renata Jagustovic (UNDP)/Rahul Sengupta (UNDRR)</p> <p>Dr Mmaphaka Tau (GIZ)</p> <p>Toussaint ADJEHOUNOU Government of Benin</p>
<p>14:30 – 14:45</p>	<p>15 min</p>	<p><i>Coffee break</i></p>	
<p>14:45 – 16:15</p>	<p>90 min</p>	<p>Panel 2: Climate information</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Climate risk and vulnerability information - assessments to date, scope, outputs, and application (10 min) 2. Climate Science Information for Climate Actions Presentation by WMO (10 min) 3. Adaptation Gap Report – key findings (10 min) 4. Climate risk information for disaster risk reduction planning (10 min) <p><i>Q&A (20 min)</i></p>	<p>Government of Comoros (TBC)</p> <p>Ilaria GALLO (WMO)</p> <p>Niklas Hagelberg (UNEP) TBC</p> <p>Jorge Vazquez-Aguirre, (UNDRR)</p>

		<p>Group work:– What type of risk data have you access to? Which data have you missed so far? What has hindered your use of the information available to you? How can disaster and climate risk information be analyzed jointly? – 30 min</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group A: Mauritania, Sudan, Djibouti • Group B: Benin, Niger • Group C: Uganda, Malawi, • Group D: Mauritius, Seychelles, Comoros • + <i>UN and external partners to be distributed over the groups</i> 	Slido on Session 2 main take away
Day 2 – 15th December - Current Status and Action plans / Developing a Roadmap for DRR strategic planning			
8:30– 9:00	30 min	<p>Group presentations - Recap from Day 1 (4 min per group)</p> <p>Agenda and objectives of Day 2</p>	<p>Group A, B, C and D</p> <p>Roberto Schiano (UNDRR)</p>
09:00 – 10:00	60 min	<p>Session 3: Comprehensive disaster and climate risk management from a local perspective</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Tools for enabling local resilience. The Making Cities Resilience 2030 toolkit and marketplace</i> – 15 min 2. <i>UNHabitat Experience - RISE UP - Resilient Settlements for the Urban Poor</i> 3. <i>UNDP Experience - Urban resilience building from a development planning perspective.</i> 4. <i>UNCDF Climate Financing at the local level – UNCDF Experience (UNCDF) 15min</i> 	<p>Isabel Njihia (UNDRR)</p> <p>Cerin Kizhakkethottam (UNHabitat)</p> <p>Renata Jagustovic (UNDP)</p> <p>Sophie De Connick (UNCDF)</p>

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10:00-10:15	15min	<i>Coffee break</i>	
10:15 – 12:30	175 min	<p>Session 4: Understanding Capacities and financing mechanism for DRR and CCA</p> <p>4.1 Global Financing for Climate Resilience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Green Climate Fund (GCF) - remotely - 10 Min - The Global Environment Facility (GEF) - 10 Min <p>4.2 Country Systems and capacities for DRR and CCA – CADRI capacity diagnosis to inform strategic planning and implementation</p> <p>4.3 Public finance: An integrated approach to Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and Climate Change Adaptation (CCA) budget tagging and tracking (30 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation on the key findings for Africa on disaster and climate budget tagging and tracking reforms (10 min) - Discussant: Uganda/Kenya on their climate budget tagging system (10 min) - Presentation on the proposed methodology for a combined disaster and climate budget tagging system (10 min) <p>4.4 Group working session (60 min):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DRR and CCA financing challenges and opportunities. - Challenges and opportunities for disaster and climate budget tagging <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group A: Mauritania, Sudan, Djibouti • Group B: Benin, Niger 	<p>Kevin Horsburgh (GCF) Tshewang Dorji (GEF)</p> <p>Arnold AMBUNDO (IOM), CADRI Facilitator East and Southern Africa</p> <p>Shanaz Broermann (IIED)</p> <p>Uganda/Kenya Yacine Bio Tchané (UNDP/IIED)</p> <p>Slido on Session 4 main take away</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group C: Uganda, Malawi, • Group D: Mauritius, Seychelles, Comoros <p>+ <i>UN and external partners to be distributed over the groups</i></p>	
12:30 – 13:30	60 min	Lunch break	
13:30 – 15:00	90 min	<p>Session 5 : Breakout Groups – opportunities to capitalize on the tools and approaches proposed towards more integrated assessments, planning and implementation. 45min</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Risk and Climate Information</i> - <i>DRR and Climate change policy reflections</i> - <i>Financing and Planning reflection</i> - <i>Local Perspective</i> - <i>(Development Partners reflection)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report back from groups – 20 min 2. Questions and answers – 5 min 	
15:00 – 15:15	15min	<i>Tea-coffee served</i>	
15:15-16:30	90 min	<p>Session 6: The Way Forward - Development of a roadmap</p> <p>Principles, key milestones for a Roadmap 2023/2024 for multi-sector, inclusive and evidence-based DRR-CCA Plan & Implementation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation – Key elements and steps for DRR/CCA strategic planning and good practices multi-stakeholder mechanism for CRM. 10 min • Guidance for group work – 5 min • Group work - 65 min <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Know better to plan better. Sectors, stakeholders, and partners’ priorities, interests and needs to strengthen understanding of risk - Governance and collaboration for designing national DRR plan and the upcoming NAP - Supporting local-level disaster and climate risk management - Evaluating current financing mechanisms, capacity strengths and gaps, needs, and approaches to fund implementation 	MC: Roberto Lomoriello / Mirna Abu Ata (UNDRR)

		- Strategic capacity development actions to support implementation, monitoring and evaluation	
Day 3 – 16th December - Developing a Roadmap for DRR strategic planning			
9:00 – 9:30	30 min	Plenary Reflection - Recap from Group workday 2 (4 min per group) Agenda and objectives day 3	MC: Roberto Lomoriello / Mirna Abu Ata (UNDRR)
9:30– 10:30	60 min	Session 7: The Way Forward – Development of a roadmap Report back and discussion	
10:30- 10:45	15 min	Coffee break	
10:45 – 12:15	105 min	Session 8: Way Forward – action plan for analysis, strategic prioritization and planning <i>Commitments and feedback from other development partners, stakeholders, and government representatives.</i>	
12:15– 12:30	10 min	Closing Remarks: Loretta Hieber Girardet, Chief, Risk Knowledge, Monitoring and Capacity Development Branch, UNDRR	
12:30– 13:30	60 min	Lunch Break and networking	