

OBJECTIVE(S):

1. The main objective of the experience sharing workshop was to stimulate knowledge sharing on adaptation by practitioners addressing a common climate change issue, building on lessons learnt from the implementation of concrete project actions by countries on a common climate change problem experienced by the countries across different regions of Sub Saharan Africa.
2. Using the CC DARE experience sharing platform to catalyse cross hybridization of lessons learnt, in building the capacity of the practitioners, supporting sub-national policy making processes as well as empowering countries in undertaking bigger actions.

BRIEF SUMMARY

The CC-DARE Mission to Mozambique ran from January 24- 28, 2011 bringing six countries together in an effort to share concrete adaptation action experiences following project implementation. This was organised under the leadership of Mozambique in collaboration with CC Dare management team, and also involving other UN Agencies, governments, local governments, NGOs, Civil society, research institutions, scholars etc. The workshop proved a unique instrumental forum. Action-driven knowledge sharing and co-operation at the regional level can boost and enable institutional adaptation and assist countries in identifying and implementing concrete adaptation actions.

Following the implementation of a diverse range of activities in testing the quick-turnover, and fast delivery approach of adaptation solutions, CC DARE organised the workshop along 3 thematic areas namely: curriculum development (Benin, Malawi, Mozambique & Seychelles), Data analysis (Mozambique, Tanzania & Seychelles, and sea level rise and coastal adaptation (Mozambique, Senegal & Seychelles). The outcomes have demonstrated that it is possible to achieve consolidated solutions for national priorities on adaptation

to climate change that serve communities now and in the future. Sharing these outcomes by the country proponents and actors there was cross-hybridization of the knowledge and lessons learnt by the different countries across Sub Saharan Africa.

There were two main parts in enhancing the Experience Sharing Workshop which comprised: a) Lessons from countries following project implementation, followed by; b) discussions guided by a synthesis/SWOT analysis report prepared by an expert consultant in the implementation lessons of fast tracking adaptation actions. The first part was led by countries as the principal proponents of CC DARE activities and leading implementing entity, and also the primary beneficiaries of the solutions. The second part guided by resource persons dwelled on the aggregation of the lessons learnt for regional application and supporting countries improve on their practices using knowledge gained.

Conclusions:

1. The workshop showcased how CC DARE approach is providing both national adaptation solutions in Sub-Saharan Africa and how best to capitalize on the CC DARE approach in delivering adaptation solutions.
2. The participating countries developed and signed up to a declaration *tagged the Maputo Climate Action declaration* which ushered the birth of an actionable knowledge sharing platform for practitioners drawing from lessons learnt following the implementation of concrete adaptation actions by countries on a common climate change problem. They coined this platform **Climate Action Learning Network** for sub Saharan Africa (**CALNet**).
3. The 6 countries formed an interim steering committee with Mozambique as the chair and Seychelles as co-chair.

Follow-up Actions

1. Development of a Term of Reference and Concept for the platform, to guide the activities of the **Climate Action Learning Network** for sub Saharan Africa (**CALNet**) as defined by the signatory countries to the declaration in partnership with CC Dare.
2. Setting up a discussion blog on CC Dare webpage for interactive exchanges by members, and creation of a website for the CALNet platform to facilitate dialogue and discussions by countries.
3. CC Dare to organise first meeting of the CALNet steering committee to work on the ToR and concept