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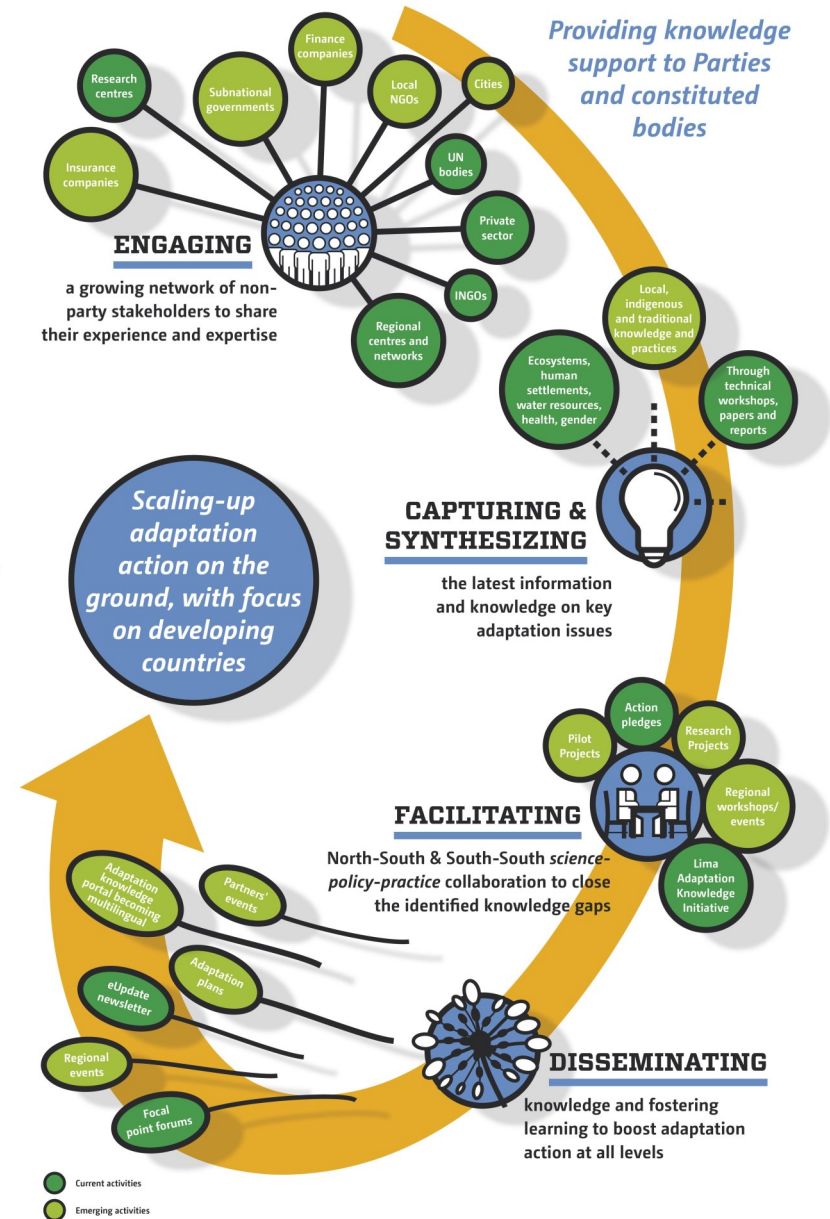


## Human Settlements and Adaptation

*From knowledge to action under the  
 Nairobi work programme*

## What is the role of the Nairobi work programme?

*Advancing adaptation action through knowledge*



## What are the Nairobi work programme's focus areas on human settlements and adaptation?

During the 44th session of the Subsidiary Body For Scientific and Technological Advice ( SBSTA) in May 2016, Parties agreed there is a need for information including good practices, lessons learned and available tools and methods, in relation to:

- Assessing sensitivity and vulnerability to climate change;
- Integrating short- and long-term climate considerations (including both extreme and slow onset events) into planning;
- The role of national governments in supporting local adaptation;
- City-to-city partnerships on climate change;
- Linkages to the National Adaptation Plan process;

Bearing in mind the unique challenges and scale differences in urban, rural and remote settlements, in particular in small island developing States and least developed countries.

Knowledge barriers are currently impeding adaptation planning and action at the regional, national and subnational levels. Governments (at all levels) and relevant organizations are invited to help bridge the gap from knowledge to action.

## How can you help bridge the knowledge-to-action gap?

- 🏠 **Share your experience** on adaptation planning and action addressing human settlements **by responding to the call for submissions** on the focus areas mentioned above **before 20 September 2017**.

More information is available at: <http://www4.unfccc.int/sites/NWP/Pages/HS-page.aspx>.

- Organizations and subnational governments are invited to send submissions to: [secretariat@unfccc.int](mailto:secretariat@unfccc.int) and [nwp@unfccc.int](mailto:nwp@unfccc.int);
- Parties submit online: <http://unfccc.int/5900.php>.

Source: Conclusions of the 44th session of the SBSTA under the Nairobi work programme [FCCC/SBSTA/2016/2](http://unfccc.int/5900.php)

- 🏠 **Share** additional information on case studies, tools/methods and other knowledge resources through the **Adaptation knowledge portal** ([www4.unfccc.int/sites/NWP/](http://www4.unfccc.int/sites/NWP/)).
- 🏠 **Participate** in the discussion during the **11th Focal Point Forum** on human settlements and adaptation, in November 2017 at COP23.
- 🏠 **Collaborate** in the preparation of a synthesis report on human settlements and adaptation, for the 48th session of the SBSTA, in May 2018.

## How will your contribution make a difference?

- 🏠 Your organization's submission will be acknowledged and made available on the **official submission website of the UNFCCC**.
- 🏠 All information related to case studies, tools/methods, action pledges and knowledge resources will also be available on the **Adaptation knowledge portal** ([www4.unfccc.int/sites/NWP/](http://www4.unfccc.int/sites/NWP/)), which is the go-to adaptation knowledge hub under the UNFCCC.
- 🏠 Your submission will provide key inputs for the preparation of the **11th Focal Point Forum** in November 2017, and your participation in the Forum will be essential to identify further areas of collaboration.
- 🏠 The synthesis report will be considered during the **Climate Change Conference in May 2018**, and will inform the next steps in terms of bridging the knowledge-to-action gap on adaptation in human settlements.
- 🏠 As a follow up, your **contribution through ideas and collaborative actions** will be critical in bridging the knowledge-to-action gap.
- 🏠 The expertise of your organization will be internationally recognized or strengthened, including in the UNFCCC process, increasing your **leadership in scaling up adaptation action**.