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Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerabilities
and adaptation to climate change

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Recent and upcoming NWP activities

New database of Nairobi work programme partners and Action Pledges launched!

A [new database of NWP partners and Action Pledges](#) has been launched! This new interface contributes towards implementing activities mandated in Durban, (decision [6/CP.17](#)), on continuing the development of user-friendly knowledge products and outputs; enhancing the dissemination of information and knowledge products developed under the NWP; and further engaging stakeholders. New and existing NWP partners will now be able to add and update information about their organizations and adaptation activities directly to the database.

NWP negotiations and events in COP 18, Doha

At its 37th session in Doha, the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice will consider the progress in implementation of the NWP, including outputs from the [technical workshop on water and climate change impacts and adaptation strategies](#), held successfully in July in Mexico City, Mexico. The workshop considered issues related to climate change impacts on water resources, including the multidimensional aspects of water in the context of livelihoods, related sectors and ecosystems, data and observation needs and opportunities, and adaptation planning and practices to reduce the vulnerability of water resources to climate change at multiple levels. During the session, Parties will also consider a [report on the progress made in implementing activities under the Nairobi work programme](#); and a [compilation of case studies on national adaptation planning processes](#), including tools and approaches for the prioritization and implementation of adaptation actions.

NWP Focal Point Forum - 27 November

The sixth Focal Point Forum will provide an opportunity for Parties and NWP partners to discuss strengthening linkages between Parties, partner organizations and other relevant organizations, in the future context of the NWP, including collaboration and engagement of regional centers and networks. The outcomes of the forum will be made [available online](#).

Side event on showcasing adaptation activities in the private sector – 30 November

The NWP Private Sector Initiative (PSI) will host a side event during COP 18, on 30 November, to showcase successful adaptation activities carried out in the private sector, and highlight related challenges. This side event will take place at 1.15pm, in Side Event Room 7, and is open to all who wish to attend, with further details [available online](#).

New publications

Leaflet on community radio activities

A leaflet on community radio as a knowledge tool in responding to climate change has been prepared in collaboration with the Institute of Development Studies, a NWP partner organization. The leaflet is intended to inform policymakers and other relevant stakeholders of the benefits of community radio as a medium of communication where other means of dissemination of information and knowledge exchange are limited. The leaflet highlights relevant issues, experimental evidence and case studies on community radio and adaptation. This leaflet is [available online](#) and will be distributed at COP 18 to Parties, NWP partners and other conference participants.



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2013 Adaptation postcard-calendar

To raise awareness of adaptation issues, a postcard-calendar for 2013 showcases twelve examples of actions undertaken to adapt to change-related impacts and vulnerability across various regions and sectors.

The postcard-calendar is [available online](#), as well as at COP 18 for Parties, NWP partners, and other participants. Further copies of the calendar in print may be requested from the [secretariat](#).



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NWP Partners' Corner

Call for content on NWP partners' activities

*Has your organization undertaken an activity under the NWP recently?
Have you made an NWP Action Pledge on this activity? We would like
to showcase your activity, including outcomes, in the eUpdate.*

Expert Round Table on Ecosystem-Based Approaches for Adaptation to Climate Change

On 3 October 2012, as an NWP partner, UNEP organized an Expert Round Table meeting in collaboration with the UNFCCC secretariat, in the lead up to the NWP Technical Workshop on Ecosystem-Based Approaches for Adaptation, which will take place in early 2013, as mandated by Decision [6/CP.17](#). The Expert Round Table took place in Nairobi, Kenya, and brought together experts from 17 governmental and non-governmental organizations, UN agencies, and academic institutions. Experts provided inputs and recommendations on the Technical



Picture: Anna Kontorov, UNEP

Workshop, including ideas on topics, themes for discussion and potential inputs, outcomes and expertise. The Expert Round Table meeting was organized in the context of UNEP's recent NWP Action Pledge on 'Furthering the consideration of Ecosystem-Based Approaches for Adaptation'. The report of the meeting is [available online](#).

Regional collaborative activities of the Iberoamerican Network of Climate Change Bureaus (RIOCC)

The 9th annual meeting of the [Iberoamerican Network of Climate Change Bureaus \(RIOCC\)](#), a NWP partner, took place in Santander, Spain, from 2 to 5 October 2012. Special emphasis was given to RIOCC's 'national disseminators' initiative, leading towards the creation of a regional network of NWP disseminators. The national disseminators were established with the aim of facilitating and enhancing the dissemination and use of technical documents and information products made available through the NWP at the national level. RIOCC encouraged the UNFCCC secretariat to continue to explore, in collaboration with RIOCC, opportunities for support, including capacity-building efforts that would contribute to the initiative. The [conclusions of the meeting](#) are available online in Spanish.

NWP Partners' Corner cont.

Activities of the World Meteorological Organization and its co-sponsored bodies, Global Climate Observing System and World Climate Research Programme

The World Meteorological Organization and its co-sponsored bodies, Global Climate Observing System and World Climate Research Programme recently made an Action Pledge Update, on the basis of their 17 original Action Pledges. This Update details multiple activities which span the following NWP work areas: data and observations, methods and tools, climate related risks and extreme events, and research. The activities aim, among other things, to facilitate the international exchange and dissemination of climate data and products; and to support the provision of standardized and relevant climate services for use at global, regional, national and operational levels. For more details, please see the [full Action Pledge update](#).

Climate change adaptation in the private sector

Earlier this year, NWP partner, KPMG produced a report on the [NWP Private Sector Initiative \(PSI\) database of actions on adaptation](#). The report provides an overview of climate change adaptation activities in the private sector and identifies the main business drivers for adaptation. Based on the PSI database, KPMG looked at the types of private sector organizations undertaking adaptation activities, and compared these across regions. The report was well received by the UNFCCC secretariat and NWP PSI partners alike. A [new call for inputs to the PSI database](#) has been issued - inputs must be received by the secretariat by 21 December 2012.



Have we missed your NWP-related activity? Please send a short description of your activity or event with a web link to further information, to nwp@unfccc.int by 29 February 2013. Please note that events and activities showcased should be directly related to the [NWP and its work areas](#), and/or be described through an [NWP Action Pledge](#).

Related UNFCCC adaptation activities

National adaptation plans and activities of the Least Developed Countries Expert Group

Discussions on policies and programmes to enable support for the national adaptation plan (NAP) process for Least Developed Countries (LDCs) will continue in Doha, with a view to making recommendations to the COP. The [Least Developed Countries Expert Group \(LEG\)](#) held its twenty-second meeting in September 2012 in Funafuti, Tuvalu, where it considered the implementation of its [work programme for 2012-2013](#). The first in a series of four [LEG regional training workshops on adaptation](#) for the LDCs was held in October 2012, in Funafuti, Tuvalu. This series of workshops aims to strengthen the capacity of LDCs to carry out activities related to national adaptation programmes of action (NAPAs) and provides an opportunity for Parties to share experiences, best practices and lessons learned in addressing adaptation at the national and regional levels. On Monday, 3 December, the LEG will hold a [side event on support to NAPAs and NAPs](#), where technical guidelines for the NAPs will be launched. Information on support needs for the NAPs and highlights of its work will also be shared. The event will take place at 6.30pm, in Side Event Room 5.

Work programme on loss and damage

This year five expert meetings have been successfully held on the work programme on loss and damage, one under [thematic area one, in Tokyo, Japan](#), and four under thematic area two, in [Addis Ababa, Ethiopia for African countries](#), [Mexico City, Mexico, for Latin American countries](#), [Bangkok, Thailand for Asian and Eastern European countries](#), and [Bridgetown, Barbados for small island developing States](#). During the 37th session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation in Doha, Parties will consider the [outcomes of these meetings](#) along with submissions from [Parties](#), [IGOs](#) and [civil society](#), to identify elements to be included in recommendations on the work programme on loss and damage.

Adaptation committee

The first meeting of the [Adaptation Committee](#) was held in Bangkok in September 2012. The Committee elected Ms. Margaret Mukahanana-Sangarwe (Zimbabwe) as its Chair and Ms. Christina Chan (USA) as its Vice-Chair. The Committee made good progress on developing activities for a three-year work plan, and evolving a sense of common purpose and a vision for the Committee. The three-year work plan is contained in the [report of the Adaptation Committee](#), which will be considered by the Subsidiary Bodies for adoption by COP18. Members agreed to hold their next meeting from 5 to 8 March next year.

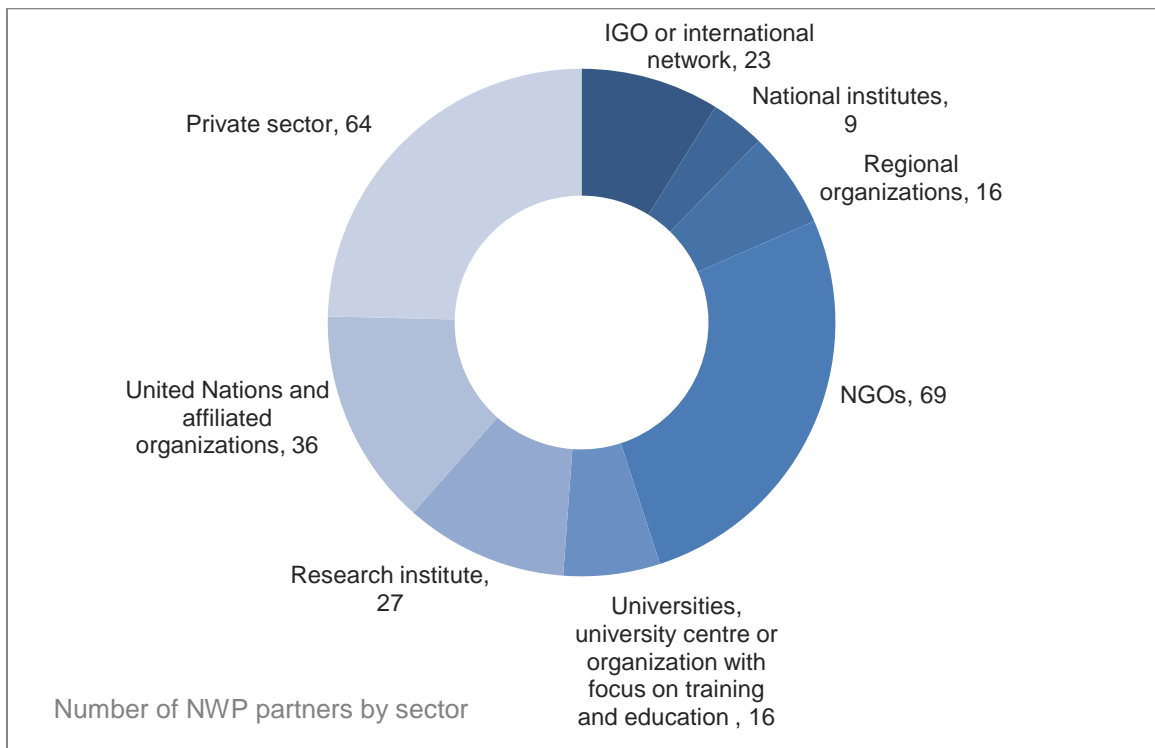
Partnership statistics

The NWP team would like to welcome the following partners that have joined the programme since our last NWP eUpdate in July 2012:

- [GIC CADIRE Cameroon](#)
- [KPMG South Africa](#)
- [Camara Films](#)
- [International Center of Insect Physiology and Ecology \(ICIPE\)](#)
- [L'Association pour la Gestion de l'Environnement et Developpement \(AGED\), the Association for Environmental and Developmental Management \(AEDM\)](#)
- [African Climate Policy Center \(ACPC\)](#)

Current partnership statistics as of November 2012:

- Number of [partners](#): 263, including 64 private sector partners
- Number of [Action Pledges](#): 175
- Number of partners that have made Action Pledges: 77, including 9 private sector partners



More information on NWP activities, including detailed partnership statistics, can be found in the [most recent NWP progress report](#).

Engaging further in the implementation of the NWP

The NWP constantly seeks to provide up-to-date knowledge and information on adaptation to Parties and partners. Your organization can:

Provide information on your organization and adaptation activities

Please check your partnership page in the [new NWP database](#) to ensure information about your organization and activities on adaptation are up to date. It's easy to make changes, simply log in and update your content.

Make Action Pledges

Action Pledges provide NWP partners with an opportunity to develop adaptation activities and events in relation to the work areas of the programme and share these activities widely within the growing NWP community, including Parties, and other NWP partners and relevant stakeholders. As a NWP partner, it's easy to make an Action Pledge, simply log in and '[Create an Action Pledge](#)'. This Pledge will be included in the database of [NWP partners and Action Pledges](#), and shared with the community.

Update us on progress in implementing Action Pledges

If you would like to provide an update of progress that you have made on the implementation and impact of your Action Pledge(s), it's easy to update the information about your events and activities online. Simply log in and 'Update your Action Pledge'. Your Action Pledge update will be included in the [database of NWP partners and Action Pledges](#), and shared with the community.

Please email any questions related to your NWP partnership activities and/or the new database to: nwp@unfccc.int.

Like 'The Adaptation Exchange'



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The Adaptation Exchange is a community on Facebook for sharing, collaborating and networking on adaptation. It provides a collective space for dialogue on adaptation to climate change across all sectors, levels, scales, and stages of adaptation planning and implementation. We encourage all NWP partners, as well as the wider adaptation community, to contribute and post; and to share stories, information, and views on successes and lessons learned; challenges; solutions; as well as needs. Already, over 2000 individuals and organizations 'like' The Adaptation Exchange. Please contribute to the Exchange and share this community widely within your networks!