

Networking for Climate Change: Experiences from Montreal Protocol

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Coverage

- Key issues to be addressed in the workshop
- MP-KP linkages learning
- Regional networking concept and benefits
- Global Climate Change Adaptation Network
- Climate Change Network for South East Asia



Key issues to be addressed

- Three issues defined for consultation during this workshop
 - How to integrate adaptation concerns into development strategies for developing countries.
 - How to quantify GHG emissions accurately and linking it to policy development & implementation.
 - How to institutionalise and scale-up co benefits for participation of developing countries on GHG emission reduction activities.



Important questions for this workshop

Important questions – to be addressed through information exchange and networking approach

Adaptation related

How can we disseminate and improve access to scientific information in the region?

 How can we mainstream adaptation concerns into development policy (domestic development policy and donors' international policy)



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Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions (NAMA)

- What kind of mitigation efforts can be quantified and reported? What are the types of tools needed for such quantification?
- How can the verification be done? How can costeffective review process be designed?



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Co-benefits

 What are useful actions to scale up and institutionalize co-benefits approach in the Asia-Pacific region and a future framework? (e.g. information platform)



The Montreal Protocol

Montreal Protocol has important learning to offer on use of information exchange and networking for Climate Change.

- A "successful" MEA
 - Phased-out 95% of global production of ODS in two decades
 - Ozone layer expected to recover by mid-century
- Important features:
 - Ratified by 194 countries of the world
 - Time-bound compliance targets for all countries
 - Financial & Technical assistance
 - Compliance assistance provided by a global network of ozone officers



The IPCC TEAP report says:

Besides reducing Ozone Depletion, Montreal Protocol has significantly helped in reducing GHG emissions.

- The combined CO2 equivalent emissions of CFCs, HCFCs &HFCs have decreased from 7.5+/- 0.4 Gt CO2 equivalent / year in 1990 to 2.5 Gt CO2 equivalent / year around 2000; equivalent of 33% and 10% respectively of the annual CO2 due to global fossil fuel burning
- TEAP-IPCC joint report concludes that ".... Montreal Protocol activities contributed to 5 times Kyoto Protocol targets".



Proposals To Accelerate HCFC Phase-Out

- 2007: Parties of the MP proposed HCFC adjustments
 - Motivated by both ozone & climate concerns to
 - Prevent delay in ozone recovery
 - Avoid accelerated climate change
 - Maximize MP's GHG emission mitigation through energy efficiency and better GHG emission control





An important feature of Montreal Protocol is providing implementation assistance through <u>Regional Network</u>. 9 Regional Networks covering 151 countries are being managed by UNEP DTIE's OzonAction Branch.

- Guidance to countries in understanding the Protocol and its provisions and linking them with countries' industrial and development policy
- Quicker identification and addressing of compliance challenges
- Strengthening regional cooperation on technology transfer, policy & regulations and trade
- Higher levels of interfaces with international agencies and experts
- Local technical and project management support to countries
- Identification and implementation of cost-effective solutions for project activities (e.g., South-south cooperation, regional expert support etc.)

UNEP Climate Change Strategy Program of Work: 2010 - 2011



UNEP Program of Work (PoW) is designed along 4 themes:

Theme 1: Adapting by building resilience

Theme 2: Facilitating a transition towards low carbon societies

Theme 3: Improving understanding of climate change science

Theme 4: Communicating and raising public awareness

Keeping in view the advantages of Regional Networks, Global Climate Change Adaption Network and Climate Change Network in South-east Asian region have been designed as integral parts of delivery of PoW along the 4 thematic areas. This would help in "Strengthening Institutional Architecture" through <u>synergistic actions</u>.

Global Climate Change Adaption Network



Overall Objective: help build climate resilience of vulnerable human systems, ecosystems and economies through the mobilization of knowledge and technologies on adaptation

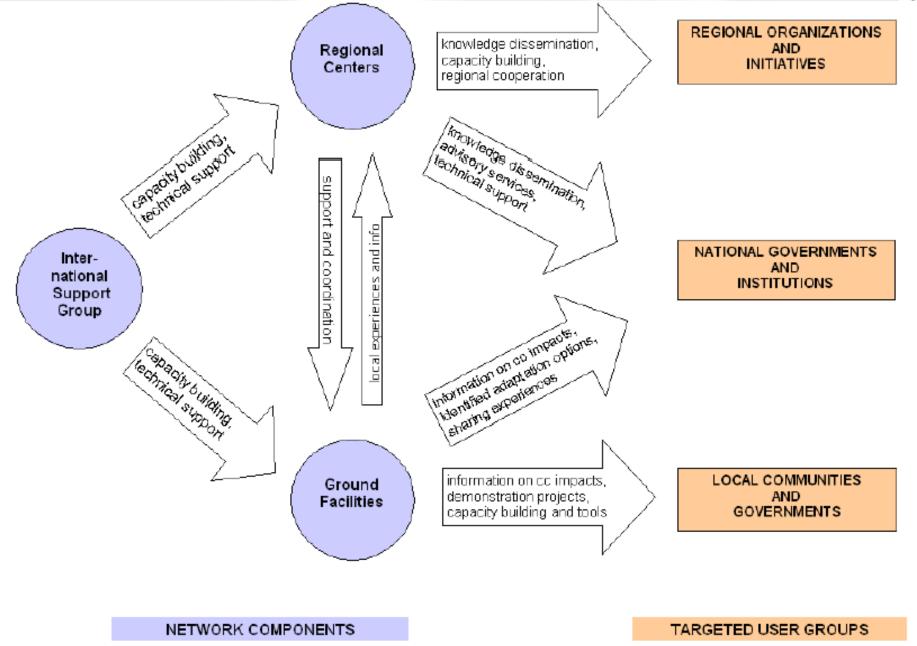
Core Functions:

- Mobilizing knowledge and technology;
- Piloting adaptation options, demonstrating and disseminating the best practices;
- Assembling and providing packages of adaptation services;
- Supporting the increased integration of adaptation options into development planning processes;
- Promoting synergies and collaboration between various disciplines, sectors, stakeholders and regions

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Proposed phased approach:

- Inception and piloting phase (2009-2010)
- •Expansion of the Network and amendment of the specific functions of its components (Phase 2, 2011-2013)
- •Full operation of the Network (Phase 3, from 2014 onwards).

Network under development through consultations:

- •Global consultation meeting hosted by the Government of the Republic of Korea in October 2008
- Asia-Pacific regional consultation meeting hosted by the Government of Japan in February 2009
- Africa regional consultation workshop in January 2009
- Latin America and West Asia consultations to be held in 2009

Regional Climate Adaptation Knowledge Platform for Asia



- Initial partners Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI), Swedish Environmental Secretariat for Asia (SENSA), and UNEP
- Basing on Bali Action Plan, Nairobi Work Programme and identification of country/regional needs
- Many initiative already but still need for ...
 - enhanced sharing of information, knowledge and lessons learnt within and across regional boarders
- Consultative process ongoing

Its Phase I (2009-2011) will focus on the Greater Mekong Sub-region and other Asian countries.

Platform Objectives



Multi-stakeholder platform

brings together

adaptation researchers, practitioners, policy-makers, business leaders

bridges

existing and emerging networks and initiatives







Responding to regional needs, the Platform will:

1. Support efforts to integrate climate change adaptation measures into national & regional development processes & plans

2. Increase linkages between adaptation & the sustainable development agenda in the region

- 3. Facilitate & enhance
 dissemination & application of
 streamlined methodologies, tools
 for adaptation planning &
 vulnerability assessments by
 engaging research institutions
- 4. Support pilot studies of specific climate change & adaptation scenarios and promote best practices

Climate Change Network



Objective: Develop a network of 10 countries in South East Asia Region on Climate Change activities.

Developed using experiences of Montreal Protocol Regional Networks

Main activities:

- Knowledge sharing and information exchange
 - GHG impact minimising technologies
 - Good practices on integrating Climate Change in development agenda at country level
 - Promoting CDM activities at country level
 - Data collection and analysis of GHG inventories
 - Consultations on COP issues –particularly those concerning the region

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Main activities (contd.):

- Targeted support to national officers and national activities
 - Facilitate enhancing technology transfer for low GHG technologies.
 - Promotion country / sub-regional level cooperation of technical institutions (e.g., Energy Efficiency research institutions, GHG inventory assessment institutions etc.)
 - Assist in defining national policies on adoption of low GHG technologies and communication strategy for promoting adoption of low GHG technologies





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Period: 2009-2011

Funding: Euro 2.4 million

Donor: Government of Finland

Countries: Thailand, Malaysia, the Philippines, Indonesia, Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos; (possibility of) Brunei, Singapore, and Myanmar

Currently, UNEP ROAP is in the process of recruitment of project officers for Climate Change Network. The first network meeting is proposed to be organised on 11-12 March 2009.

