

# The Cancun Adaptation Framework

**Pre-event on early warning**

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## The Cancun Agreements

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### The COP established the Cancun Adaptation Framework

- Adaptation to be addressed with the same level of priority as mitigation
- 1. Objective:
  - Enhance action on adaptation including through international cooperation and coherent consideration of matters relating to adaptation under the Convention
  - Reduce vulnerability and build resilience in developing country Parties
  - Urgent and immediate needs of those that are particularly vulnerable
- 2. Principles
  - Follow a country-driven, gender-sensitive, participatory and fully transparent approach
  - Based on and guided by the best available science and, as appropriate, traditional and indigenous knowledge
  - Integrate adaptation into relevant social, economic and environmental policies and actions

## The Cancun Adaptation Framework: provisions

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3. Support
4. Stakeholder engagement
5. Institutional arrangements at different levels:
  - Establish the **Adaptation Committee** to promote the implementation of enhanced action on adaptation in a coherent manner under the Convention
  - Strengthen/establish **regional centres & networks** to facilitate/enhance national and regional adaptation actions
    - country-driven
    - cooperation and coordination between regional stakeholders
    - improves the flow of information
  - Strengthen/establish and/or designate **national-level institutional arrangements**

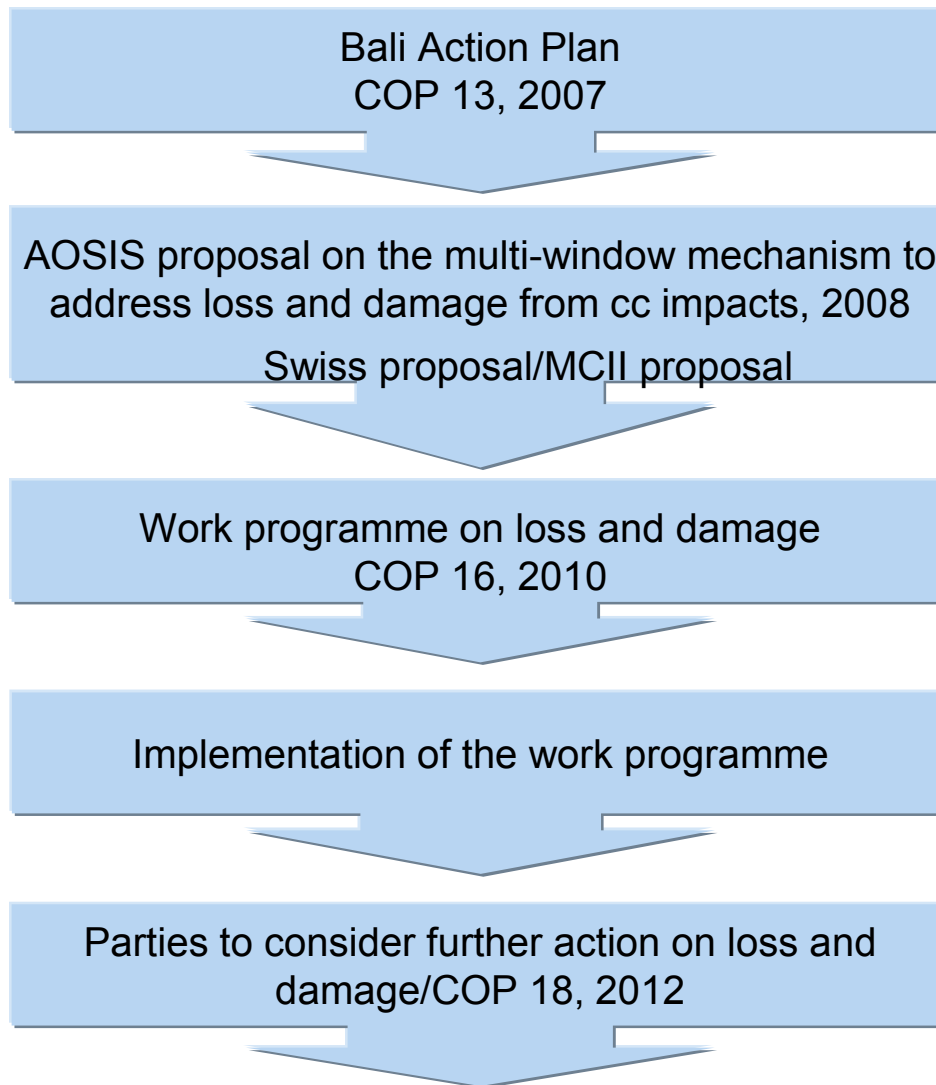
## The Cancun Adaptation Framework: scope

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- All Parties to enhance action on adaptation through, *inter alia*:
  - **Enhancing climate change related DRR strategies, take into account the HFA; early warning systems; risk assessment and management; and sharing/transfer mechanisms, at local, national, subregional and regional levels, as appropriate**
  - Planning, prioritizing and implementing adaptation actions
  - IAV assessments
  - Strengthening institutional capacities and enabling environments
  - Building resilience
  - Enhancing understanding/coordination/cooperation on climate change induced displacement, migration and planned relocation
  - Technology for adaptation
  - Improving climate-related RSO
- A process to enable LDCs to formulate and implement national adaptation plans, and for other developing countries to avail of this process
- **A work programme to consider approaches to address loss and damage** associated with climate change impacts in developing countries that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change



## The work programme on loss and damage: development



Reduce risks and address residual losses for rapid- & slow-onset events  
3 components

- Insurance scheme at int'l level
- Rehabilitation/compensation
- Risk management

Institutional arrangements

- Board to provide oversight
- Technical Advisory Facility
- Financial Vehicle/Facility

- ■ COP called for the submissions

## The work programme on loss and damage: thematic elements

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3 thematic elements and 1 cross-cutting

**a) Possible development of a climate risk insurance facility to address impacts associated with severe weather events**

- The need for a facility
- Appropriate levels at which the facility is to be developed
- Appropriate way to address adaptation under the Convention

**b) Options for risk management and reduction; risk sharing and transfer mechanisms such as insurance, including options for micro-insurance; and resilience building, including through economic diversification**

- Considerable experiences already exist, lessons-learned need to be effectively shared and build upon
- Increase synergy with existing work and institutional arrangement (e.g. HFA, Early Warning Platform)

**c) Approaches for addressing rehabilitation measures associated with slow onset events**

- Novel issue- more knowledge is needed for this to progress



## The work programme on loss and damage: cross-cutting element

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### d) Engagement of stakeholders with relevant specialized expertise

- Crucial to all 3 thematic elements
- Wide ranging stakeholders
  - ✓ DRR, Early warning, Development, Financial sector, Insurance experts, Agriculture, Health
    - Multilateral agencies, IGOs, NGOs/Civil Society, Private sector
  - ✓ Intended beneficiaries
    - vulnerable groups (e.g. women, children, indigenous peoples and others that are traditionally underrepresented)
  - ✓ Local, subnational and national governments and those involved in on-the-ground planning and implementation



## Work programme on loss and damage: linkages with early warning

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### Submissions identified:

- Engagement of early warning specialists
- Support for the enhancement of resilience through integrated risk management, including:
  - Enhancing capacity with regard to events prediction and early warning systems
  - Building partnerships in prevention and response plans, including by making an inventory of available expertise and identifying cooperation opportunities
- Strengthening the capacity needed by countries to address climate change related risks in an anticipatory manner will support a country-driven approach to adaptation action

## The work programme on loss and damage: key messages

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- A LOT to be considered in 1 and ½ years' time
- Successful implementation of the work programme relies on **your experts inputs** and **voluntary support for concrete action**
- Need for advocacy is over, mandate is in place, time for action

Information sharing event at SBI 34 **'Current knowledge, expertise and support to support the work programme on loss and damage under the Cancun Adaptation Framework'**

- To provide an opportunity for informing Parties on:
  - the state of current knowledge and expertise
  - roles of a diverse range of stakeholders
- To catalyze contribution by relevant organizations in support for addressing loss and damage associated with climate change impacts

Tuesday, 7 June at Hotel Maritim, Bonn, Germany

