

Group Exercise 2: Mainstreaming CC adaptation into water policy and planning processes

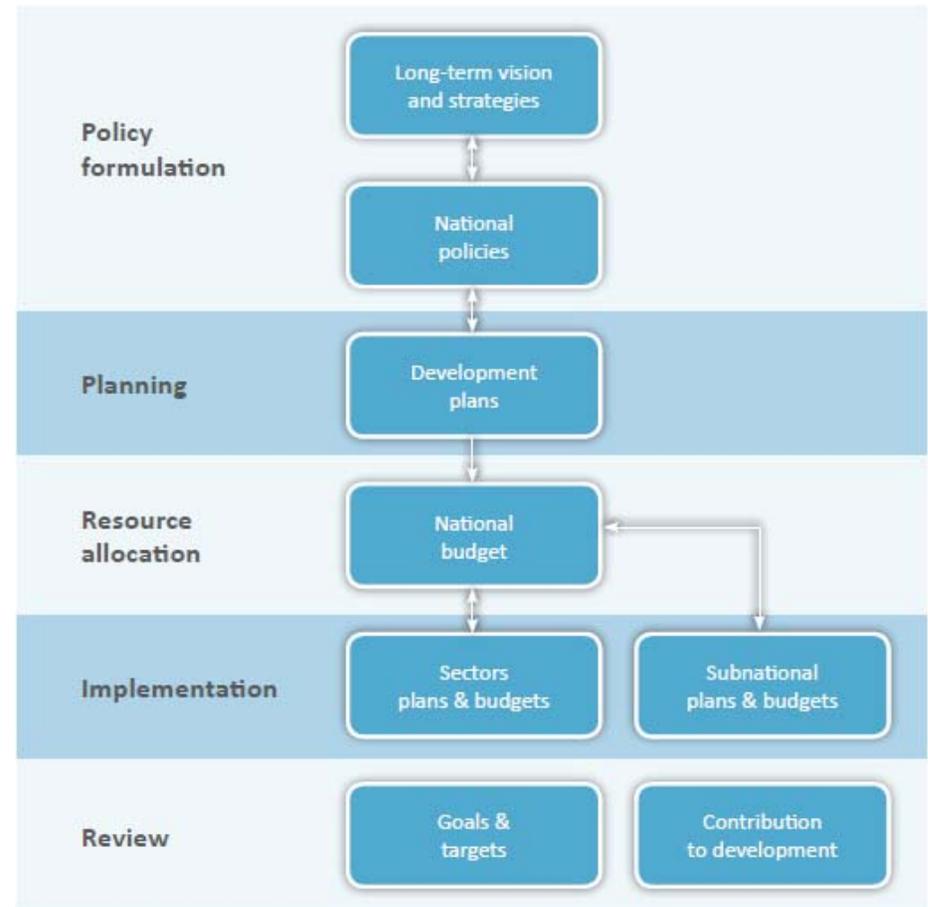
- **Learning objective for the exercise:**
 - The objective is to assess the national water policies (IWRM, water national plans and strategies) by identifying the main constraints (legislative, institutional, capacity building ...) to mainstreaming CC adaptation into the water policy cycle.
 - Appropriate recommendations will be identified and discussed in plenary to share national experiences.

- **Desired outcomes:**
 - A list of gaps and weaknesses of national water policies identified
 - A list of appropriate entry points to properly integrate CC adaptation at each stage of the national water policies cycles
 - A list of recommendations for integrating no-regrets strategies and measures in each national water policy

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Instructions:

- Participants will be organized by country groups (6)
- Based on the status of IWRM in their country, each group will have to:
 - identify the main gaps and challenges to properly integrate climate change adaptation at each stage of the water policy cycle (cf. scheme)
 - identify appropriate entry points and make concrete recommendations for integrating no-regrets strategies and measures



Generalised scheme of national development planning system

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- **Recommendations** will cover improvements and adjustments needed in various aspects of the water policy framework, including
 - **legislation:** enforcements needed like new rules, new standards, new principles, flexibility in water allocation, introduction of new knowledge, revision of some acts, ...
 - **institutional arrangements:** create new or strengthen existing structures, coordination mechanisms and structures, allocation of responsibilities and mandates at different levels, institutional capacity development (planning and prioritization skills, participatory and engagement empowerment skills, monitoring, evaluation and learning skills, functional capacities, political and communication skills, information systems and analytical skills), ...
 - **Policy instruments:** financial arrangements (e.g. insurance, subsidies, tariffs, ...), leadership arrangements, M&E process, human resources, decision-making processes, ...
 - **capacity building:** tools for climate risk assessments, methods and procedures for climate risk screening/climate risk assessment, specific technical aspects, ...
 - stakeholder participation: Public private partnership, public involvement at different levels, ...
 - Etc.
- **Outcomes** will be presented by each group in plenary