

Presentation and Q&A:

Climate change adaptation and sustainability

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- We are a regional agency to provide scientific & technical expertise.
- Our role is to support and to guide when it is sought from countries.
- We can help when you work with your chosen implementing agencies.

In this presentation we wish to focus on the meaning of the following key concepts for practical implementation of a NAP.

- *Integrated adaptation*
- *Sustainability*
- *Development first adaptation*
- *Resilience*

We are taking a strategic approach, seeking the dynamic alignment of:

- *policies,*
- *programmes, and*
- *projects (activities)*

Integrated adaptation

Occurs at a *policy* level & at a *technical* level:

At the *policy level* collaboration between ministries can be mandated.

At the *technical level* integrated adaptation is achieved by implementing *programmes* provided by multiple ministries, through joint work between:

- a community
- a *hub-ministry* in collaboration with other ministries
- a *bridging organization*, e.g. USP/SPREP/SPC
- an implementing agency, e.g. World Bank/UNDP

The joint work develops innovative funding arrangements for *community adaptation planning* and *project* development and implementation.

Sustainability

A *hub-ministry* emerges, is not fixed and is flexible. Collaborations between the *hub ministry* and other ministries *co-develop* with:

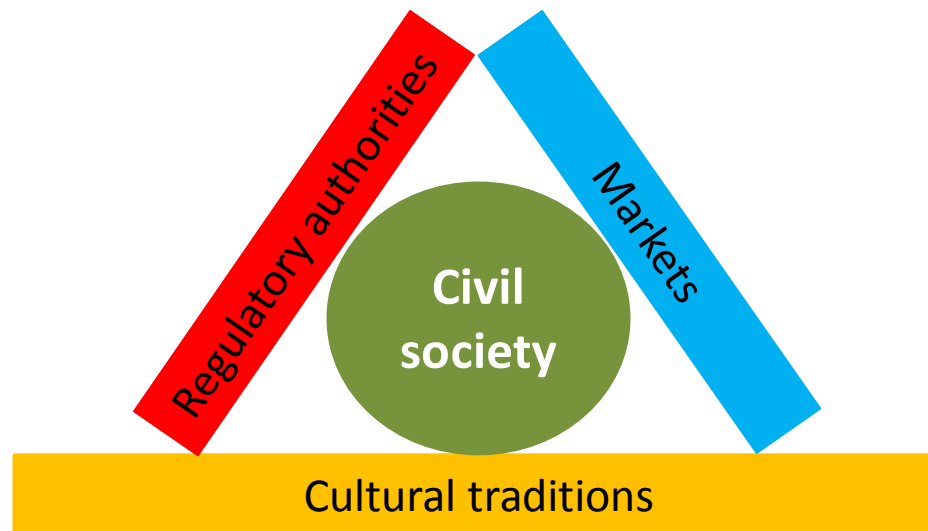
- *community institutional and human resource capability to be able to;*
- *use and implement programmes provided by the said ministries, and to*
- *develop and implement community adaptation plans and projects.*

Sustainability of adaptation occurs when able to continue to utilize *programmes* to develop *community adaptation plans* and *adaptation projects*.

The *private sector* becomes increasingly important to fund these activities.

Development-first adaptation

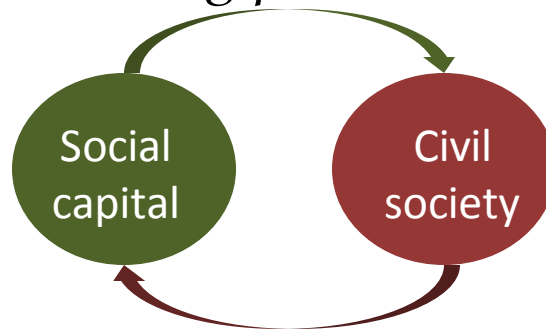
- The *private sector* operates effectively within *civil society*.
- A danger is that *funding agencies* inhibit the development of *civil society* by replacing the role of the *private sector*.



- In LCDs, private sector development primarily means assisting family entrepreneurship to develop sustainable livelihoods.
- Customary activities and traditional knowledge assist the development.

Resilience

- Deprivation leads to confusion & frustration.
- *Resilience* comes from moderation due to balance brought by *community institutional functionality*, especially *learning processes*.



- *Resilience* comes from development of *social capital* and *civil society*.
- NGOs can develop *civil society* if they assist development of *community institutional capacity* and *family entrepreneurship*, grounded in cultural tradition.

USP's offer

We would like to meet with the heads of delegation from each country to:

- *Ask how we could potentially assist your countries implement a NAP, through the technical and scientific expertise we can provide.*
- *If you would like to discuss this with us please let me know when we could meet.*

Thank you, it is an honour to be here.