Gender Review of National Adaptation Plan (NAP) Documents

As part of its ongoing initiative on gender-responsive NAP processes, the NAP Global Network has undertaken a systematic review of NAP documents posted on the UNFCCC’s NAP Central to assess the integration of gender considerations.

The document reviews explored how gender considerations have been addressed in the documents, as well as how women are positioned. It is important to note that most of the documents do not include much detail on the process undertaken to develop the NAP document or on strategies for implementation and M&E. Consequently, a lack of evidence in the document does not necessarily mean that gender hasn’t been considered in a particular aspect of the NAP process—it may simply indicate a lack of documentation or that there is additional work to be done to elaborate on particular aspects of the plan.

Below is a summary of the review of Costa Rica’s NAP document.

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<td>Document reviewed</td>
<td>Plan Nacional de Adaptación al Cambio Climático 2022-2026 (2022)</td>
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<td>Gender and/or women referenced?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Summary of gender references</td>
<td>The NAP includes gender as one of the 15 key principles of the plan and as one of the four cross-cutting issues. It mentions the specific vulnerabilities of women for each sector and proposes a few gender-specific adaptation actions, including the development and implementation of a gender and climate change action plan. It also mentions that capacity-strengthening activities should focus on institutions and people that are more vulnerable.</td>
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| Gender concepts referenced | Gender equality  
Gender equity  
Gender mainstreaming  
Gender differences |
| Context for reference to gender | Gender as a guiding principle  
Gender as a cross-cutting issue for the plan  
Specific adaptation options identified to address gender issues |
| Positioning of women | Particularly vulnerable group  
Beneficiaries of adaptation actions  
Stakeholders in adaptation |

For more information on the NAP Global Network’s work on gender, please visit: [http://napglobalnetwork.org/themes/gender/](http://napglobalnetwork.org/themes/gender/)