

Development & Climate Workshop

Integrated Development and Climate policies: how to realise benefits at national and international level?

Wrap up

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What did we aim for?

- Draw lessons from research work on integrating development and climate strategies
- Identify what benefits can be achieved at national and international level and how
- Three levels:
 - National policy
 - Scaling up with help of international programmes/institutions
 - How can international agreements facilitate?

What did we achieve?

- Diverse development and climate communities brought together and increased mutual understanding (just beginning)
- Established large potential for achieving benefits through mainstreaming climate in development policies
- National governments and international organisations (UNDP, UNEP, FAO, ISDR, Worldbank, OECD) have begun to practice this mainstreaming
- Insight in key success factors for the respective policy areas: a lot of common ground, but also specific elements
- Insight in barriers to achieve real benefits
- Insight in role of international agreements

Key findings (1)

- Benefits can be demonstrated, *but often not visible/known*
- Mainstreaming is critical, *but difficult: risk of mainstreaming overload and real trade-offs*
- Move from piecemeal to structural approach
- High level political commitment needed (Tanzania)
- Local level solutions essential (part. dealing with climate impacts/ adaptation);
- Use participatory approach, work with real priorities and real players in decisions (know the political economy)
- Scale can be reached two-fold: (1)big emitters focus; (2)replication (both emissions and vulnerability); *replication not that easy because of widely varying local conditions*

Key findings (2)

- Human and institutional capacity critical; *climate information needs to be communicated much better*
- Interministerial/ interagency cooperation essential; *many institutional barriers*
- Funding and investment patterns critical; *development vs climate funding still an obstacle*
- See also the sector specific findings as reported at the end of day 2
- The challenge for all actors (governments, donors, scientists,) is to try and do things differently

Facilitating integrated development/ climate policies through international agreements

- Adaptation:
 - Strengthen UNFCCC adaptation component
 - Use other mechanisms (Hyogo SDR, Human rights, CCD, WTO); *how to make them work together?*
 - Insurance: important, but *avoid locking poor people into agriculture*; both institutional and local (micro-insurance)

Facilitating integrated development/ climate policies through international agreements (contn'd)

- Technology:
 - Don't call it climate technology
 - Shift to changing investment patterns and focus on real world decision makers (*not in UNFCCC*)
 - Exchange best practice (use sector wide targets?)
 - *Recipient end needs more attention*
 - Capacity building (*funding*)
 - Public-private partnerships (development funding)
 - Give carbon price signal/ Use KP mechanisms (*too short term*)
 - Challenge: how to build great diversity into agreements (non-UNFCCC?)

Facilitating integrated development/ climate policies through international agreements (cont'd)

- Financing:
 - Not a problem for big energy projects (*but a problem for efficiency, renewables, clean coal*)
 - CDM is now about serious financial flows in clean development (> 10 billion), *but limited*
 - Financing climate safe development (resilient to cc) requires big funds; *KP adaptation fund only small part*
 - WB facility: *where to generate the \$ billion 80-110/ yr*

Facilitating integrated development/ climate policies through international agreements (cont'd)

- SD and emission reduction:
 - Local SD based policies and measures for non-Annex-I can deliver significant emission reductions (*enough?*) and fit into UNFCCC (*or should it be in CSD?*)
 - Link to carbon market? Via UNDP/MDG carbon fund? Avoid baseline trap
 - Fair as seen by international community (voluntary)?
 - Implementation plan and international commitment needed?
 - Sectoral agreement as supplement? (signals to private sector; ensure overall result)
 - Some form of emission targets also needed for developing countries?
 - Will it sufficiently influence investment decisions?

Needs for further work

- More true exchange between development and climate communities; involve private sector
- More in-depth analyses of barriers to integrated approach and possible solutions, at national and international level
- Further exploring “large emitter deals”(clean coal, coal-to-gas) and “replication mechanisms” (biofuel, efficiency, renewables) and their relations to international agreements
- Further explore how D&C approaches fit into new international regime architectures
- Series of “action oriented” demonstration projects

Follow-up of workshop

- All materials and presentation to be made available on the web (participants will be notified by e-mail)
- Policy brief (with case examples) as short report of the meeting
- Side event COP-12, Nairobi (Monday Nov 13, 13.15- 14.45 hour, Gigiri2)
- Special Issue Climate Policy (main papers)

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