



NAP GLOBAL NETWORK - COUNTRY SUPPORT HUB

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Short-term Consultancy: Reporting on the progress of implementation of Suriname's National Adaptation Plan (NAP) process

May 2024 – October 2024

The National Adaptation Plan (NAP) Global Network is an initiative focused on accelerating adaptation planning and action in developing countries. The NAP Global Network strives to achieve this goal by a) enhancing national-level action through short- and longer-term technical support on adaptation planning; b) facilitating South–South peer learning and exchange; and c) generating, synthesizing, and sharing knowledge on NAP processes. Established in 2014, the NAP Global Network connects more than 2,700 participants from 170 countries involved in developing and implementing National Adaptation Plans. Financial support for the Network has been provided by Austria, Canada, Germany, Ireland, the United Kingdom, and the United States. The Secretariat is hosted by the International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD).

The NAP Global Network delivers support through a mechanism called the Country Support Hub, which provides expert advice and technical support on specific issues related to the NAP process or its implementation. The Government of Ireland has provided funding to allow the NAP Global Network to deliver support to the Government of Suriname to develop a NAP costing methodology, equipping the teams advancing Suriname's NAP process with a tool to cost priority adaptation actions in their NAP.

Background Information:

Suriname submitted its NAP for 2019–2029 to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in June 2020. As a part of this process, the International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD), as the Secretariat of the National Adaptation Plan (NAP) Global Network, was engaged by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) in Suriname to coordinate the development of a coherent, gender-responsive Sector Adaptation Strategy and Action Plan (SASAP) that addressed climate risks in the water sector. The SASAP included a gender-responsive budget and monitoring & evaluation plan.

The country is now developing a Green Development Strategy that will be closely aligned with the three Rio Conventions—namely, the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), and the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD). Incorporating the principles and objectives of these conventions into the strategy provides a robust foundation for sustainable development and environmental conservation.

Furthermore, the GCF approved in 2022 a Readiness Proposal with linkages to the NAP and with the FAO as a Delivery Partner, to strengthen climate change finance planning processes to enable implementation, monitoring, and reporting of climate actions in Suriname. More precisely, this proposal assists the Government of Suriname in:

1. Enhancing the implementation of climate change actions as articulated in its policy framework which includes its enhanced NDC 2020-2030, NAP 2019-2029, the Policy Development Plan (PDP) 2017-2021, National Climate Change Policy, Strategy and Action Plan for Suriname (NCCPSAP) (2015-2021), and REDD+ National Strategy (2019)
2. Increases the access and technical knowledge on climate-related finance. Stakeholder consultations and validation workshops still need to be done.

As part of the “Climate Promise: Adaptation Pipeline Accelerator (APA)” project implemented in collaboration with the UNDP, a socio-economic and climate risk and vulnerability study is conducted in line with SASAP for Water resources. And since the Water resources sector is the first on the list of the priority sectors, it is recommended to consider linkages with this project component.

Finally, a NAP M&E Framework is in place in Suriname addressing the strategic and sectoral levels.

Assignment

The expert will develop a NAP progress report which entails a stock take of status of NAP implementation, including stakeholder consultations and validation. It is important to have a status of the different sectors and what climate actions already have been implemented and an assessment of the capacity of the sectors to implement adaptation actions.

Outputs

- Develop a NAP Progress Report for the first three and a half years of the NAP’s implementation (2020-2024). The report would contain information on progress made to date, barriers, experiences, and priorities for action and funding.

Activities related to the assignment

The assignment will involve:

- Develop an inception report clarifying the scope of the progress report (sectors, regions, approach for data collection, analysis) including a **draft annotated outline** of the NAP Progress Report based on Suriname’s needs and international best practices.
- Organize **stakeholder consultation meetings with up to 50 participants**, including government agencies and stakeholders involved in the NAP who can share experiences about progress made and exchange ideas for the NAP update, as well as identify gaps and needs.
- Prepare a **first draft of the NAP Progress Report** based on collected data (up to 40 pages without images and tables)
- Based on feedback on the draft, prepare a **revised NAP Progress Report** in close consultation with the Government Suriname and the NAP Global Network that incorporates the feedback received
- Present the NAP Progress Report in a **validation session** with the Government of Suriname and the NAP Global Network Secretariat
- Incorporate comments and feedback from the Government of Suriname, stakeholders, and the NAP Global Network Secretariat to produce the **final NAP**

Progress Report.

- Meet with officials from the Government of Suriname and representatives from the NAP Global Network Secretariat, as requested to provide updates on progress.

Anticipated timeline:

Task	Output	Timeline
Prepare an annotated outline of the NAP Progress Report	Progress Report inception report (incl. outline)	10 June 2024
Organize stakeholder consultation meetings with up to 50 participants to share experiences about progress made and exchange ideas for the NAP update.	Stakeholder consultation meetings organized	20 June 2024
Draft a first NAP Progress Report based on collected preliminary data from primary or secondary sources.	First Progress Report Draft	10 July 2024
Produce a second NAP Progress Report incorporating feedback from Government of Suriname and the NAP Global Network.	Second Progress Report Draft	10 August 2024
Organize a validation workshop to present the NAP progress report	Validation Workshop Report	10 September 2024
Incorporate feedback and comments, and deliver final progress report	Final Progress Report	30 September 2024

The cost for the stakeholder consultations and validation workshops, and related costs, including the printing of 40 copies of the final report, will be covered by the NAP Global Network.

Required qualifications

- Master's degree in a relevant field (e.g., public policy or other related social science discipline).
- Demonstrated expertise in climate change adaptation and the National Adaptation Plan (NAP) process. Experience on climate adaptation in Latin America and particularly, Suriname, is a strong asset.
- Familiarity with the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) process
- Strong research and writing skills.
- Strong workshop organization and facilitation skills.
- Fluency in English (spoken and written).

Reporting and work arrangement

- The consultant will work closely with the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Spatial Planning and Environment, Suriname.
- The consultant will work closely on a virtual basis with NAP Global Network who will provide technical guidance of the project.
- The consultant(s) must have his/her/their own computer equipment, as well as the appropriate software to carry out the activities provided for in these Terms of Reference

Application process

To apply for this consultancy, please submit your CV, and financial proposal to info@napglobalnetwork.org, specifically mentioning in the subject line “CSH Suriname NAP Progress Report”.

In your application, please clearly demonstrate how you meet the criteria outlined above.

Application deadline: 17nd May 2024

Start date: 27st May 2024



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