

# Workshop on the National Adaptation Plan of Armenia

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**31 August, 2016, 9:30-17:30, TBC  
Yerevan, Armenia**

Venue: Ani Plaza Hotel 19 Sayat-Nova Ave., 0001, Yerevan, Armenia

Adaptation to climate change and management of climate change risks is considered as a challenge for Armenia's development. Several studies, including the Third National Communication (TNC) of Armenia under the UNFCCC<sup>1</sup>, World Bank studies, and a recently published UNDP-BCPR study<sup>2</sup> all state the urgency of adaptation and call for proper consideration of adaptation in strategic planning documents and funding anticipatory measures for adaptation and risk reduction.

Taking into account the commitment of the Ministry of Nature Protection (MNP) to develop a National Adaptation Plan (NAP) the Clima East Expert Facility has provided assistance in analysing the existing information and results of studies undertaken in the country and in elaborating recommendations for a future national adaptation plan. The support activity has resulted in recommendations<sup>3</sup> describing the results of a capacity and needs analysis regarding adaptation and also provided recommendations on how to overcome existing gaps. Furthermore, its report includes a roadmap for the NAP-process in accordance with the NAP-guidelines, a proposed NAP structure and the potential main elements for the National Adaptation Plan of Armenia.

The workshop aims at further exploring the adaptation challenges Armenia facing and pave the way for the formulation of the NAP both in terms of the processes leading to the NAP and the formulation of its *content*.

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<sup>1</sup> Available at: <http://unfccc.int/resource/docs/natc/armnc3.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> "Mitigation of Climate Change Risks of Rural Communities through Improved Local Development Planning" UNDP - BCPR / 00075559 Project, <http://www.nature-ic.am/climate-risk-management-publications-and-reports/>

<sup>3</sup> The registered participants of the event will receive prior to the event the final report of Clima East " Assistance in national ecosystem based adaptation Concept and National Adaptation Action Plan of Republic of Armenia" (CEEF2014-024-AM) in Armenian and English.

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## Draft Agenda

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<b>9:30 – 10:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>10:00 – 10:20</b>	<b>Opening</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Simon Papyan, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Nature Protection of the Republic of Armenia, TBC</li> <li>• Mr. John Barker, Attaché/International Cooperation Officer Agriculture, Rural Development, Forestry, Water, Environment and Climate Change, Delegation of the European Union to Armenia, TBC</li> </ul>
	<b>Meeting Objectives</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Zsolt Lengyel, Team Leader, Clima East Project</li> </ul>
<b>Session I: The Paris Agreement and the role of adaptation within</b> Moderator: Mr Zsolt Lengyel, Team Leader, Clima East Project	
<b>10:20 - 10:35</b>	<b>The Paris Agreement – a brief analysis of key elements and the role of adaptation:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Long term goal</li> <li>○ Ambition/ratcheting-up mechanism</li> <li>○ Transparency, accountability and compliance</li> <li>○ Adaptation</li> <li>○ Finance</li> <li>○ Markets</li> <li>○ Pre-2020 action</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Zsolt Lengyel, Team Leader, Clima East Project, TBC</li> </ul>

<b>10:35 - 11:05</b>	<b>Armenia vision of the implications of the Paris Agreement including Armenia's INDC</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Aram Gabrielyan, National Focal Point of UNFCCC</li> </ul>
<b>11:05 – 11:25</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>Session II: Towards the National Adaptation Plan of Armenia</b> Moderator: Ms. Asya Muradyan, Head of division, Climate Change and Atmosphere Protection Policy Division of Environmental Protection Policy Department, Ministry of Nature Protection (TBC)	
<b>11:25 – 12:30</b>	<b>Adaptation – ongoing activities and plans in the EU and Armenia with an outlook of 2030 and beyond</b> <b>Key policy areas:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Water resources</li> <li>○ Agriculture</li> <li>○ Forestry</li> <li>○ Human Health</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms Medea Inashvili, Key expert, Clima East Project, TBC or Mr. Zsolt Lengyel, Team Leader, Clima East Project, TBC [EU aspects]</li> <li>• Ms Diana Harutyunyan, Climate Change Program Coordinator UNDP Armenia [Adaptation: Outcomes of the Third National Communication (TNC) of Armenia and Expectations from the Forth one.] TBC</li> <li>• Mr Vardan Melikyan-TNA adaptation team leader [Armenian aspects; including summary of donor support]</li> <li>• Representatives of respective ministries &amp; agencies (Ministry of Nature Protection, Ministry of Agriculture, Hayantar, National Centre for Disease Control and Prevention of the Ministry of Health [ sectoral aspects] TBC</li> </ul>
<b>12:30 – 13:00</b>	<b>Q&amp;A and Discussion</b>
<b>13:00 – 14:00</b>	Lunch
<b>14:00 – 14:40</b>	<b>Roadmap for the NAP-process in Armenia</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Josef Seitz, Clima East, Non-Key Expert</li> </ul>
<b>14:40 – 15:20</b>	<b>Proposal for Structure and Main Elements of the National Adaptation Plan of Armenia</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Josef Seitz, Clima East, Non-Key Expert</li> </ul>
<b>15:20 – 15:40</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>15:40 – 17:10</b>	<b>Moderated Q&amp;A and Discussion</b>
<b>17:10 – 17:30</b>	<b>Conclusions &amp; closing of the workshop</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MNP representative (TBC) Mr. Zsolt Lengyel, Team Leader, Clima East Project, TBC</li> </ul>