Policies and Institutional Partnerships for ICCS

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Framing Issues

- Working with/building on existing institutions/initiatives rather than creating a parallel universe
- Policymakers in the lead to establish/frame specific climate services needs
- Importance of value-creation/showcasing of climate information
- Vulnerability a core focus
Framing Issues

• CV-CC communities (often distinct) have very different policy needs

• Sharing and learning a core ICCS function

• A critical need to establish niche(s) for ICCS

• Explicit recognition of governance arrangements (creating demand, framing/limiting the policy context)
## Vulnerability the core focus for ICCS?

- LDCs only?
- Focus on communities irrespective of national level of socio-economic development
- Too limiting?
- What would such a focus mean for sustainable development ambitions?
Reflections on Practical ICCS Actions

- Sharing good practices and policy processes
  - For national climate services establishment/strengthening (guidelines)
  - Regional climate services strengthening (exchange of information, good practices, vulnerability assessments, methods, etc…)
  - Subnational climate services (Brazil, Australia)

Case studies: exchange, virtual clearinghouse, capacity-building
Reflections on Practical ICCS Actions cont.

- Economic/human development value of climate services
  - Ongoing Colombian work on climate change/poverty with finance ministry
  - Productivity in “political” time frames (3-5 years)
  - Context of globalization and climate change (economic barriers)
Reflections on Practical ICCS Actions cont.

• Practical contribution to the Rio +20 process
  • Showcasing regional, national, subnational level CS policy engagements
  • Economic value of climate services

• Demonstrations of climate resiliency for the most vulnerable populations (making a case for investment/linking with ongoing bilateral/multilateral/MDB initiatives).

• Resourcing and mechanism to enable anticipatory action in the context of high vulnerability