

# Asia-Pacific Platform for Climate & Development

- Facilitating Co-benefits and Adaptation to Climate  
Change-

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- UNFCCC Asian regional workshop on Adaptation, Beijing, China (April 2007)
  - ➔ ESCAP's Proposal on "Regional Adaptation Platform"
- CSD15
  - Japan's Statement
    - ➔ "Mainstreaming adaptation into development strategies "
  - ESCAP Statement
    - ➔ "Policies for linking energy for sustainable development, industrial development, air pollution/atmosphere and climate change"

## Background of a Proposal to establish a Platform

- **The 17<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Seminar on Climate Change**

-Good Governance for Climate & Development-

→ Proposal on Establishing an “Regional Platform on Co-benefits Approach and Integrated Adaptation”



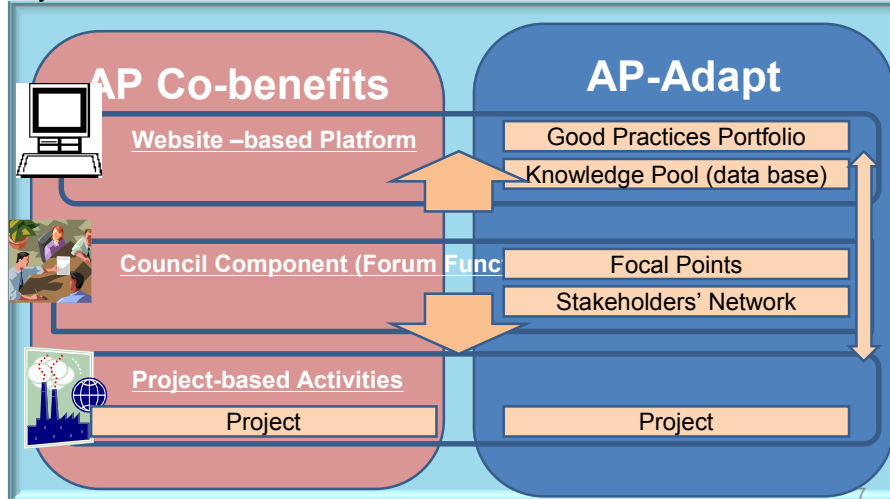
Needs for a soft mechanism that supports activities under the positive linkage between climate & development .

Co-benefits & Integrated Adaptation are priority areas.

## A Design of the Platform

## AP Platform (structure)

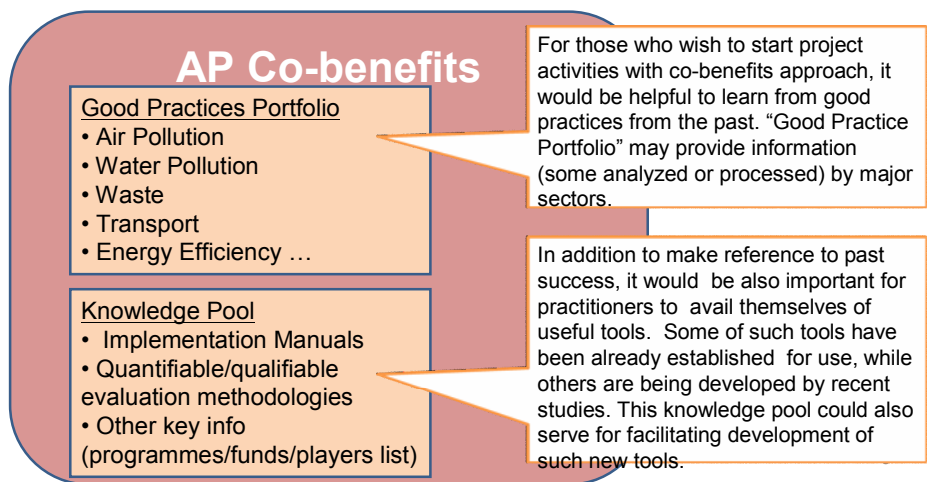
Proposed AP Platform for Climate and Development will be made up with 2 major areas – Co-benefits area and Adaptation area. Each area may have 3 major components, including website-based platform, council (forum component), and Project-based activities.



## AP Co-benefits 1) Web-based Platform



As one of the two major part of the Web-based Platform, AP Co-benefits will provide information useful for developing, implementing and evaluating co-benefits type projects. Also reference materials for policy making will be aggregated.

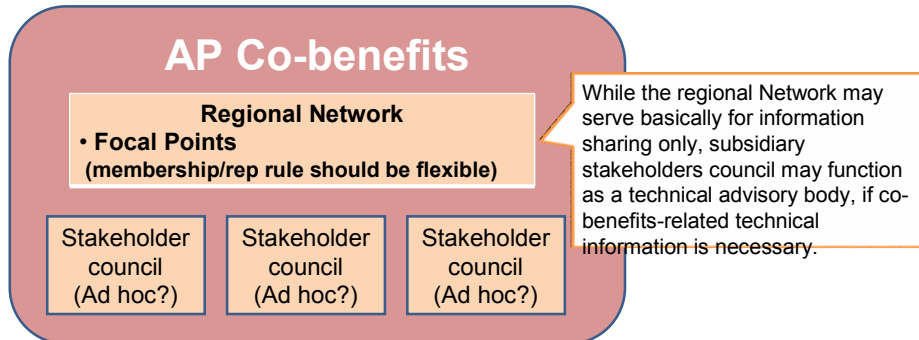


## AP Co-benefits 2) Council



### Component

In order to assist participants to share information and develop, implement and evaluate co-benefits activities, there may be forum to discuss how they can achieve co-benefits through their own activities. The involvement of technical experts may also be helpful for project owners.



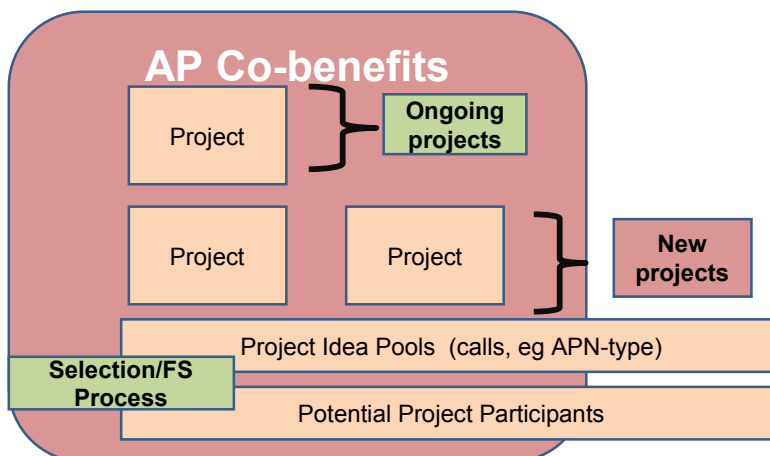
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## AP Co-benefits 3) Project-based



### Activities

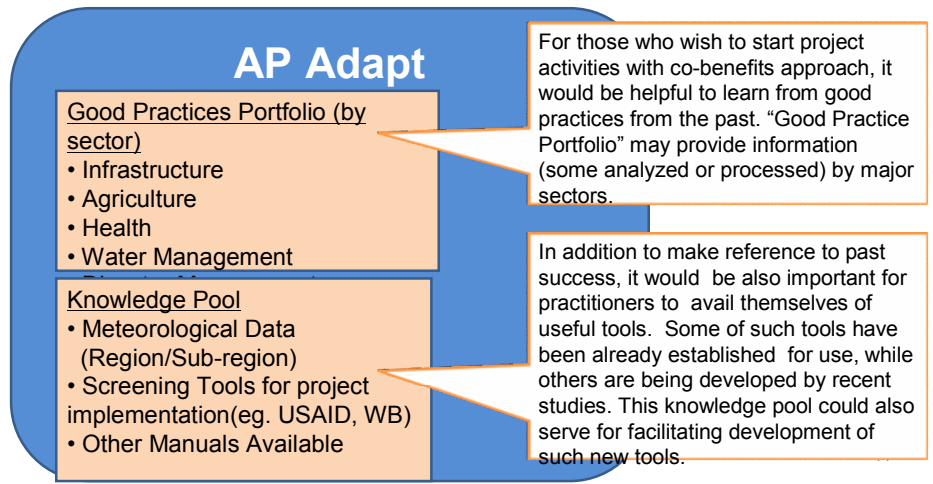
AP co-benefits promote development and implementation of co-benefits projects. Stakeholders may initiate project activities using already existing and new schemes to support projects. Also already ongoing project may be supported to increase co-benefits aspects in this platform components.



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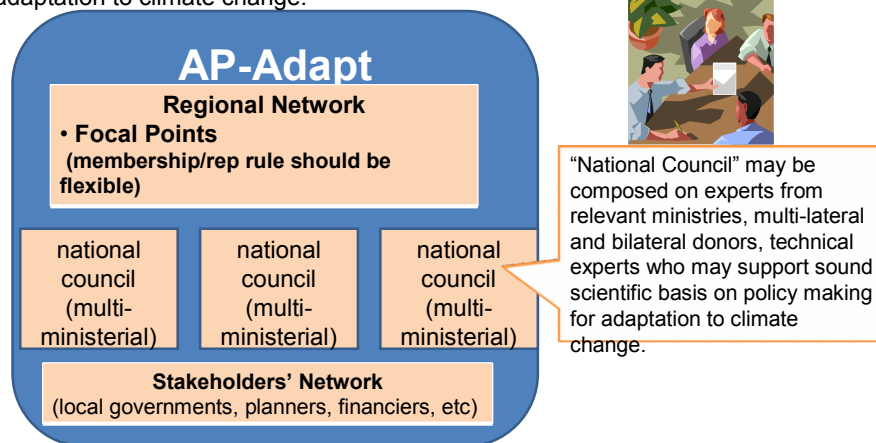
## AP Adapt 1) Web-based Platform

The other major part of the Web-based Platform will be shared by adaptation related information (*AP Adapt*). Since the level of uncertainty is much higher than mitigation part, this part may attach more importance on provision of scientific data/tools that may be used for policy making for adaptation activities.



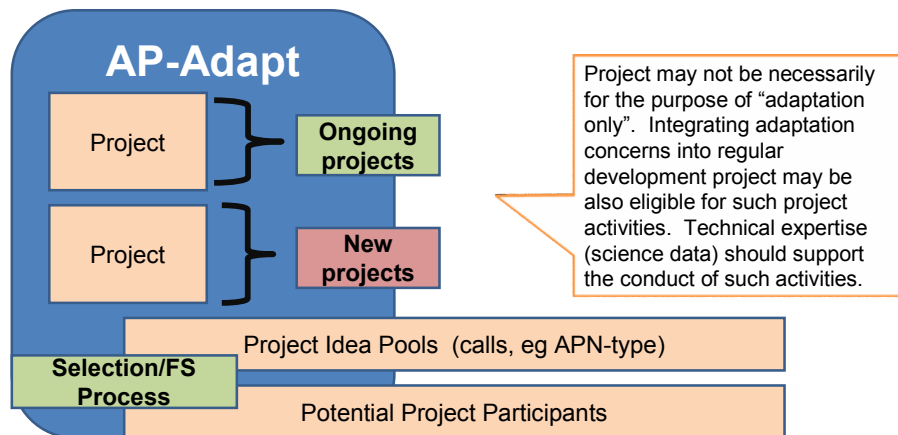
## AP Adapt 2) Council Component

Adaptation related efforts require the involvement of many different stakeholders within the existing governance structure and their participation in policy making in a coordinated way is crucial. AP Adapt's Council Component is expected to serve a coordination forum for different stakeholders. Also within this process, technical advice with scientific information may be obtained for effective policy making for adaptation to climate change.



## AP Adapt 3) Project-based Activities

In terms of adaptation to climate change, it is desired that adaptation-related activities are initiated based on a sound scientific basis and policy coordination. In this regard, *AP Adapt's* project activity components should be done in line with development of 2) Council Component. However, some activities (assessment, stocktaking documentation) could be initiated.



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## Ongoing Preparation

### Web Platform

- First Prototype is being developed
- Questionnaire/Interview for needs assessment
- Technical WS in October

### Forum Component (Council Function)

- List Preparation
- Dialogue with Candidate Countries

### Project Activities

- Useful Activities already ongoing (MOEJ, ESCAP and others)
- Communication with donors.

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## Schedule for Preparation (COP13-March, 2008)

- Call for candidate collaborators
- Stocktaking Papers by/with Developing Countries
- Official Kick-off meeting scheduled in March

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