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PROVIA — The World Adapatation Science Programme

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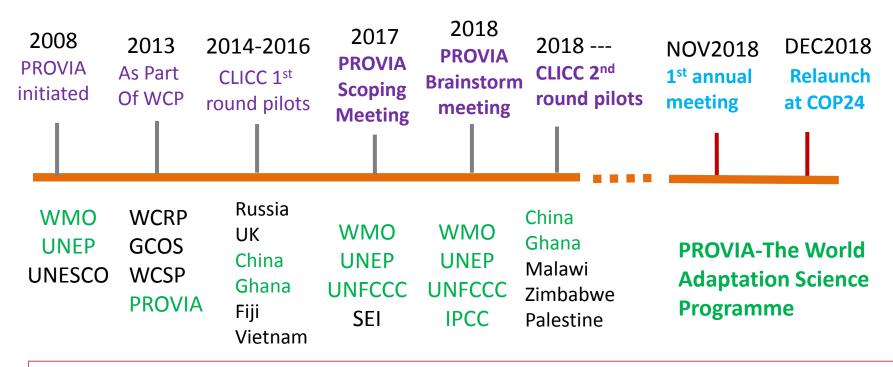


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Over the Past Decade

PROVIA is part of the World Climate Programme which is led by WMO, as decided in WMO Resolution 18 of the WMO Congress XVI (16), with Secretariat hosted by UNEP.



 Products: (1) Technical Guidance on Assessing Vulnerability, Impacts and Adaptation to Climate Change : four publications;
 (2) Adaptation Futures Conferences: once every two years;
 (3) CLICC: country level CC impacts.



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PROVIA Revitalization

September 2017 — Scoping Meeting Programmatic challenges and opportunities

March 2018 — Brainstorm Meeting

Identify PROVIA's niche, mandate, enabling conditions, and possible low-hanging fruits

14-16 November 2018 — First Annual Meeting Adopt new governance structure, TORs, strategy, work plan and budget

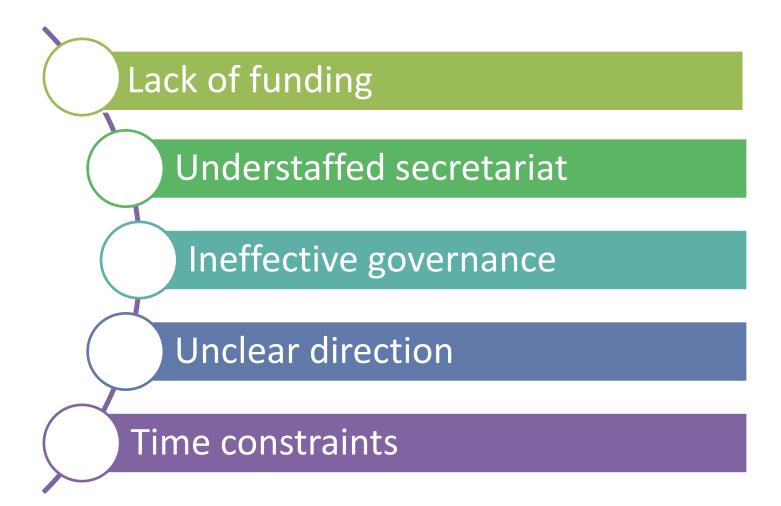
Coming Soon

December 2018 — **Relaunch of PROVIA** Relaunch PROVIA as the World Adaptation Science Programme during COP24 in Katowice 2018



Scoping Meeting

Challenges inherited from the past — Looking towards the Future





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- Apply a *country demand-driven*, service-oriented approach
- Engage and foster *multiple stakeholders and sponsors*
- Identify *knowledge gaps* and drive the *research agenda*
- Focus on green and innovative *adaptation solutions*
- Develop **pilots** and share *high-impact products/services*
- Inform policy/decision makers on science-based adaptation
- Support implementation of National Adaptation Plans (NAPs)



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Brainstorm Meeting, WMO, UNEP, UNFCCC, IPCC

Mandate

- Promoting applied research for effective climate adaptation
- Facilitating knowledge transfer and sharing
- Harmonizing research at a regional scale

Governance

- Establish Policy and Finance Committee
- New Governance Terms of Reference
- More inclusive
 governance
 structure towards
 the wider
 adaptation
 stakeholder
 community

Activities

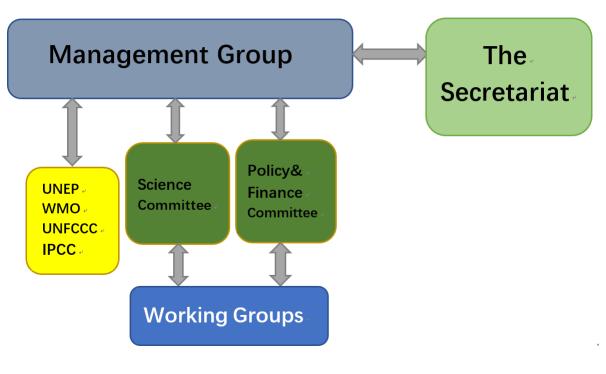
- Develop PROVIA Strategy for the next four years
- Organized the first Annual Meeting of PROVIA with new governance structure
- Relaunch PROVIA as the World Adaptation Science Programme at COP24





Governance Structure and

Operation Modality

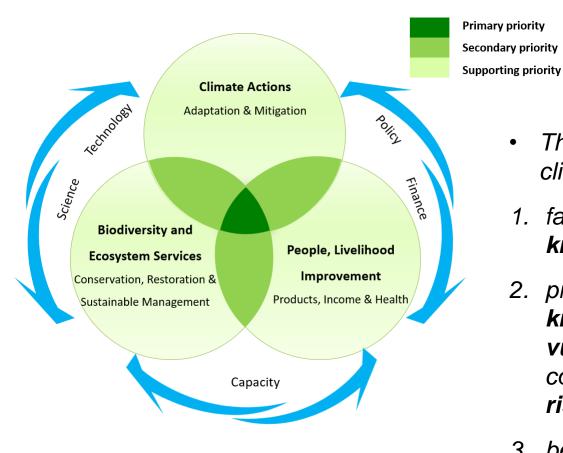


- Committees (Science as well as Policy/Finance) are lead by two Co-chairs (two-year basis):
- Science Committee: ca 10 scientists, academicians
- Policy & Finance Committee: ca 10 policy experts, leaders from the financial sector
- The Management Group: 8 members, UNEP, WMO, UNFCCC, IPCC, plus the four Committee Co-chairs (chaired on a two-year rotational basis)
- Chair of the Management Group (mid-2018 to mid-2020), Dr. Jian Liu, UN Environment

PROVIA acts as an international panel, comprised of international and national scientists, policy leaders, investors, bankers and private sector representatives.





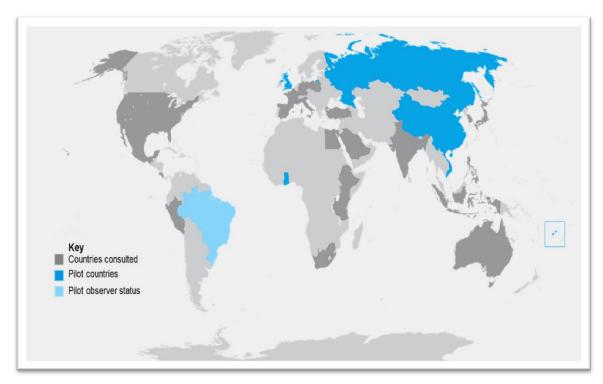


- Focus on climate adaptation
 <u>science and services</u> to support
 the UNFCCC intergovernmental process and IPCC reporting
- Three primary objectives on the climate change adaption arena:
- facilitating the science, data and knowledge transfer and
- providing/ sharing scientific knowledge on climate change vulnerabilities and impacts in conjunction with consequences and risks of inaction, and
- 3. better linking **the science** to **the policy; to climate finance** (large and small scale; innovation)



Current Work-CLICC

Currently, PROVIA is implementing the CLICC project focusing at Country Level Impacts of Climate Change – the goal is to support NAPs:



- facilitate global and national understanding of countrylevel climate impacts
- support climate action through consistent and comparable communication of impacts and risks
- promote good practice and collective learning in assessing climate impacts.

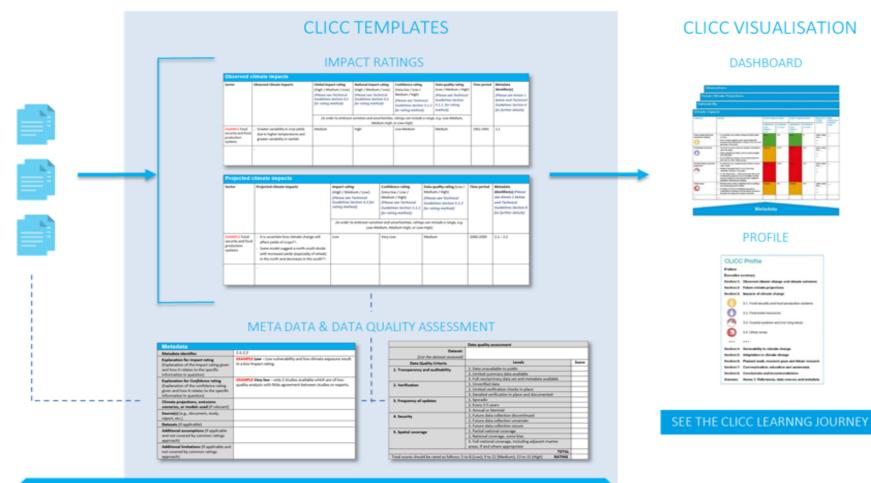
Pilots will be implemented in China, Ghana, Zimbabwe, Malawi and Palestine





Current Work-CLICC

CLICC Process



CLICC PROCESS & ENGAGEMENT



Adaptation Futures 2018

Facilitate dialogue between research and government, civil society, international agencies and business

Continue the shift from problem diagnosis to solutions and innovations

Link adaptation action to sustainable development, investment and planning

Have a strong focus on Africa and the Global South



For Example in 2019:

• PROVIA

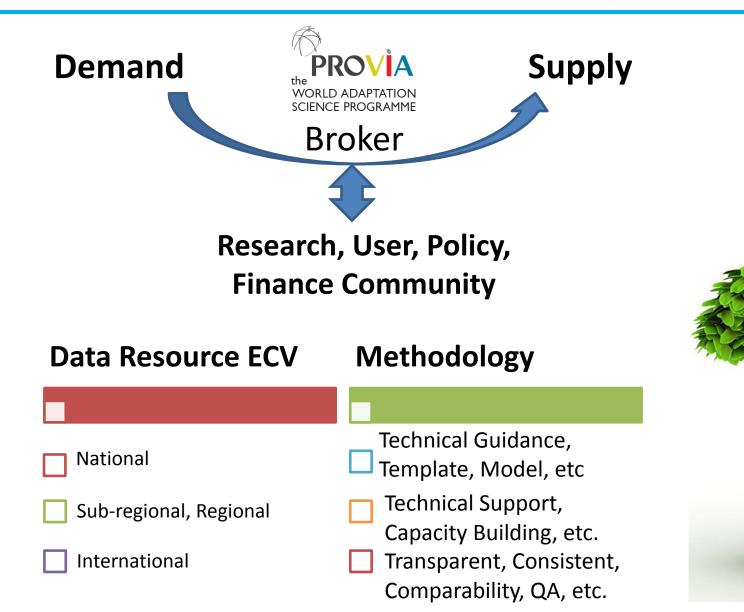
- 1. Technical guidance on assessing vulnerability, impacts and adaptation to climate change;
- 2. Adaptation Gap Report;
- 3. Research Priorities Report;
- 4. Project proposal aims to contribute to close adaptation knowledge gaps at sub regional level.

CLICC

Country Report on the second round of CLICC pilots;
 CLICC Technical Guidance;



Summary and Implications for GCOS – Adaptation Context





More information for PROVIA:

https://www.unenvironment.org/explore-topics/climate-change/what-wedo/adaptation-science

More information for CLICC:

<u>https://www.unenvironment.org/explore-topics/climate-change/what-we-do/adaptation-science/communicating-country-impacts</u>

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