

Ecosystem-based Adaptation through South-South Cooperation (EBA-SSC)

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Project overview

Title	Enhancing Capacity, Knowledge and Technology Support to Build Climate Resilience of Vulnerable Developing Countries
Implementing Agency	United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
Executing Agency	National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) of China through the Institute of Geographic Sciences and Natural Resources Research (IGSNRR), Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS)
Duration	48 months (2013 - 2017)
Objective	To build climate resilience in developing countries in Africa and Asia-Pacific using Ecosystem-based Approaches to Adaptation (EBA) through capacity building, knowledge support and concrete, on-the-ground interventions



UNEP-IEMP

- UNEP-International Ecosystem Management Partnership is the first UNEP-collaborating center in the South and for the South
- Hosted by the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) in Beijing, China
- Officially launched in November 2011, now a global centre on ecosystem management

EBA-SSC Project

UNEP-IEMP provides project management services



Project features

- New dimensions EBA/GEF and SSC/UNFCCC
- Contribution from China Co-finance (NDRC) and technology transfer (CAS, CERN)
- Comprehensive design
 EBA technology transfer, capacity building, knowledge sharing
- Multi-scale

Two regions (Africa and Asia-Pacific), three pilot countries (Mauritania, Nepal, Seychelles) and global reach



Project components

- 1. Inter-regional coordination and capacity building for developing countries to plan and implement EBA
- 2. Inter-regional online EBA knowledge support
- 3. Transfer of EBA technologies to three pilot countries in Africa and Asia-Pacific



Highlights (I)

CHINA SHARING EBA KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCES

"The Green Wall in the heart of the Taklamakan Desert: demonstrating potential contribution to ecosystembased adaptation and Africa's Great Green Wall initiative"



50 years of research, 6 years to build, 178 species tested, 346 km long, 3,128 hectares of desert converted, total investment in 20 years ~125 million USD



Highlights (II)

TWO INTERREGIONAL TRAINING WORKSHOPS ON EBA AND REGIONAL NETWORK COOPERATION ORGANISED IN BEIJING IN 2013

60 participants from 16 countries and 15 networks, including representatives of GEF, UNEP, NDRC, UNDP, UNFCCC, IUCN, and more







Highlights (III)

HIGH-LEVEL ROUNDTABLE AT COP19 ON EBA IN THE CONTEXT OF SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION

High-level consensus reached on the roles of EBA and SSC on climate change





Next steps

- Inter-regional EBA task force to facilitate dialogue and information sharing
- Good practice database of EBA-related projects and initiatives
- Interactive, dynamic web-based platform for knowledge sharing
- Detailed EBA implementation protocols



Save the date

International Conference on South-South Cooperation on Climate Change

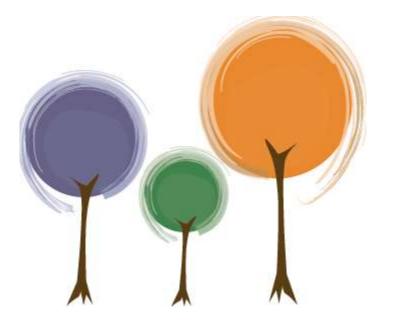
9-11 November 2014, Beijing

The conference is sponsored by NDRC, UNEP, SDC, UNDP and WWF

The event will be attended by ministers, heads of UN and development agencies, principals of international and scientific organizations, ambassadors, senior representatives of private sectors, civil society and the media

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Thank you

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