

3. Sharing Knowledge and Understanding Among Government, Academia , Civil Society Organizations and Local Communities (1)

- Academics need to **provide evidence-based research** on topics such as sufficiency economy and local resource practices to support local capacity on CCA
- Government actors need to ensure **two-way information sharing** and listen to feedback from the local level
- **Good communication** between all parties is a vital factor for policy advocacy from the grassroots to the national levels



3. Sharing Knowledge and Understanding Among Government, Academia , Civil Society Organizations and Local Communities (2)

- **Public consultation forums** can be a good communication tool especially if based on, and respectful of, local knowledge and resource practices
- Local knowledge systems need **financial and human resources support**
- **New policies and mechanisms need to be initiated** to formally encourage and support the sharing of knowledge and practices between communities and the government actors.



4. Bring together Knowledge and Good Practices on Implementation of Climate Change Adaptation Among Governmental Officials, Researchers and Civil Society (1)

- Ç Set up a **network among government, researchers, and CSOs** to exchange opinions. The network tools can include international seminars, dialogue events, website, etc.
- Ç CSOs-researchers need to initiate **participatory research** that can empower local communities, build local capacity, and incorporate local knowledge in the research activities. Collaborative research activities can also provide useful avenues for local communities to share their perspectives on local issues with government officials



4. Bring together Knowledge and Good Practices on Implementation of Climate Change Adaptation Among Governmental Officials, Researchers and Civil Society (2)

- Ç **Simplify academic research and publish them in people-friendly languages** since communities often find academic papers not easily understandable.
- Ç **CSOs can act as a linkage point** among the government (authority), local community (doer) and academia (knowledge)
- Ç The **relationship between CSOs and academia** needs to be further strengthened especially in evidence-based research that **can help convince policy-makers**
- Ç CSOs need to initiate and undertake their own **in-depth research on community issues**.

Future Dialogue Efforts

- The dialogue hosted by TEI for CSOs and community participants featured a bottom-up approach and strengthened the network of CSOs in the Mekong region. **More such efforts are needed in other countries in the Mekong region**
- **Pilot activities** are a necessary step for the success of future dialogue efforts. These could include 'no regret' adaptation activities such as water management. The lessons learnt from these pilot activities can feed into future dialogue events
- **A wide range of stakeholders** need to be involved once a few CSOs dialogue efforts are successfully completed, after the CSOs are ready and reach some consensus.



Thank you

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