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Europa-Africa Academic Cooperation: the ACC DAR project





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Project information

Title: Adapting to Climate Change in Coastal Dar es Salaam

Time: 3 years - from Feb 2011 to Jan 2014

Funding entity: European Commission, DEVCO (grant)

Applicant: Sapienza University of Rome

Partner: ARDHI University, Dar es Salaam

Associate: Dar es Salaam City Council

The project involves around 20 researchers (seniors & juniors).

As such, it represents a golden opportunity for junior training in both partner universities and for establishing relations with other universities.

Project results available for downloading at www.planning4adaptation.eu





Project OBJECTIVES

Overall objective:

to contribute to implementation of the National Adaptation Programme of Action of the United Republic of Tanzania - Priority sectors: human settlements, coastal and marine resources.

Specific objective:

to enhance the capacity of Dar es Salaam LGAs to support peri-urban population in their effort to cope with environmental changes.

At least 4 institutional adaption initiatives will be identified to be undertaken by Dar's LGAs



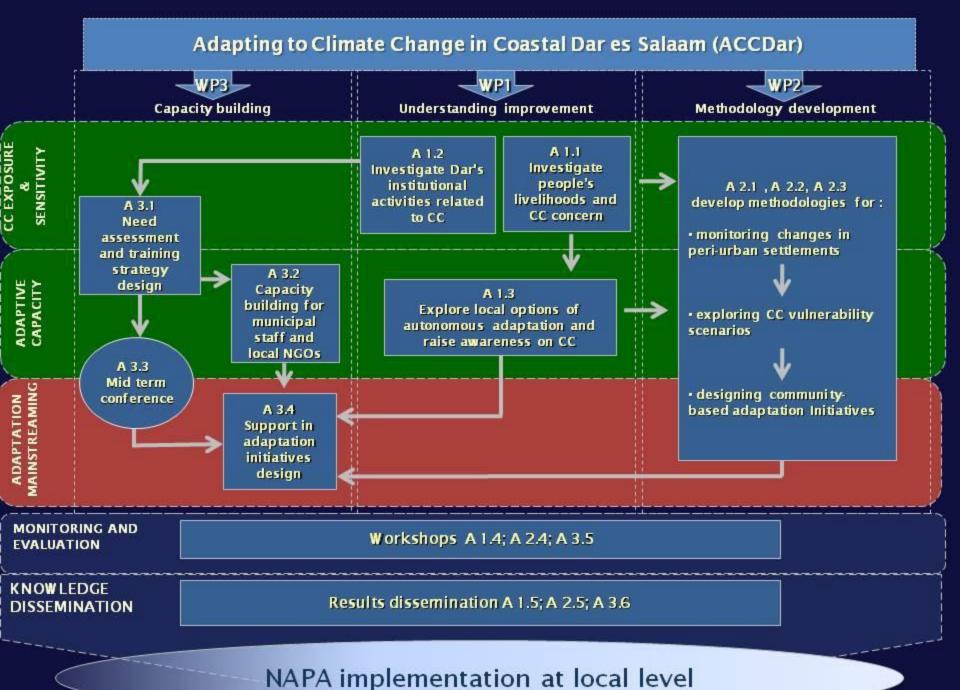


Project RESULTS

By the end of the project

- R1 Knowledge on current and future livelihood strategies of women and men from Dar's peri-urban areas will be increased
- R2 Methodologies at the disposal of Dar's LGAs for the design of initiatives to supporting people adaptation efforts will be improved
- R3 Dar's municipal personnel trained to understand CC issues, identify adaptation objectives and integrate them into existing UDEM strategies and plans will be augmented







Challenges we faced

- EU financial regulations are not well-known by African Universities, and not always compatible with their own regulations: basket fund?
- Research training faces a number of problems (e.g. poor research commitment, excessive teaching duties): feasibility study?
- No interest and capacity in result dissemination: ?
- Competition rather than collaboration among similar projects: ?
- Success of the action dependent on individual willingness / poor support from Universities: ?
- Very problematic relationships with LGAs: ?





Activities ensuring sustainability

RESEARCH NETWORKING initiatives

- Project international workshops (06/12, 04/13, 12/13)
- Junior researchers mobility within the project
- Application to the Urban Studies seminar series (leader: Royal Holloway, University of London) 06/12
- Application to Erasmus Mundus (leader: Compostela University) 03/13
- Application to Sapienza for a PhD scholarship reserved to educated abroad 05/13
- Application to EuropeAid (next call)









Project Outcomes and Impacts

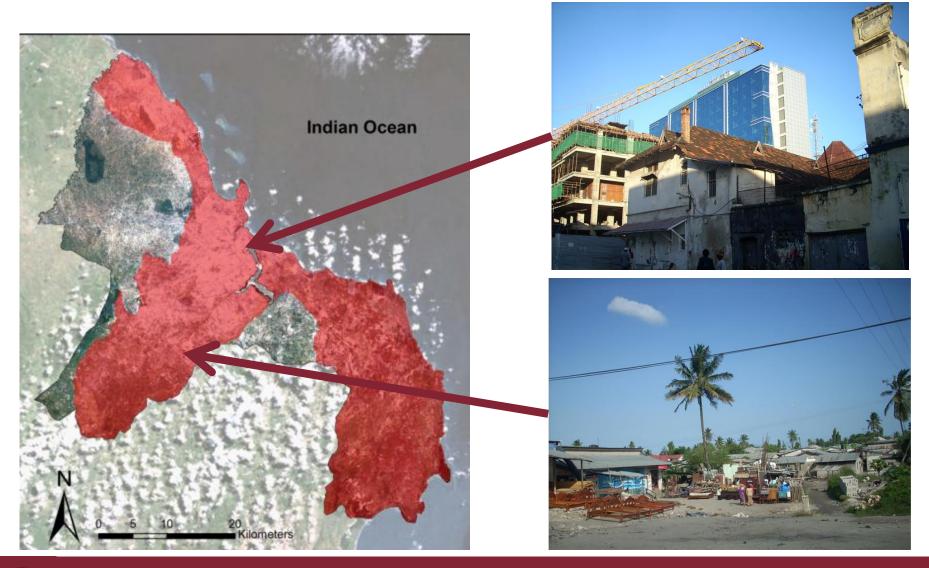
Impacts

- Reduction of local vulnerability to environmental changes by integrating adaptation objectives into Urban Development and Environment Management planning;
- Enhancement of local governance by strengthening LGAs capacities for adaptation while focusing on increased participation of women and men in decision making;
- Improvement of communities' capacity for environmentally friendly exploitation of natural resources by raising awareness on the consequences of their adaptation strategies (maladaptation)





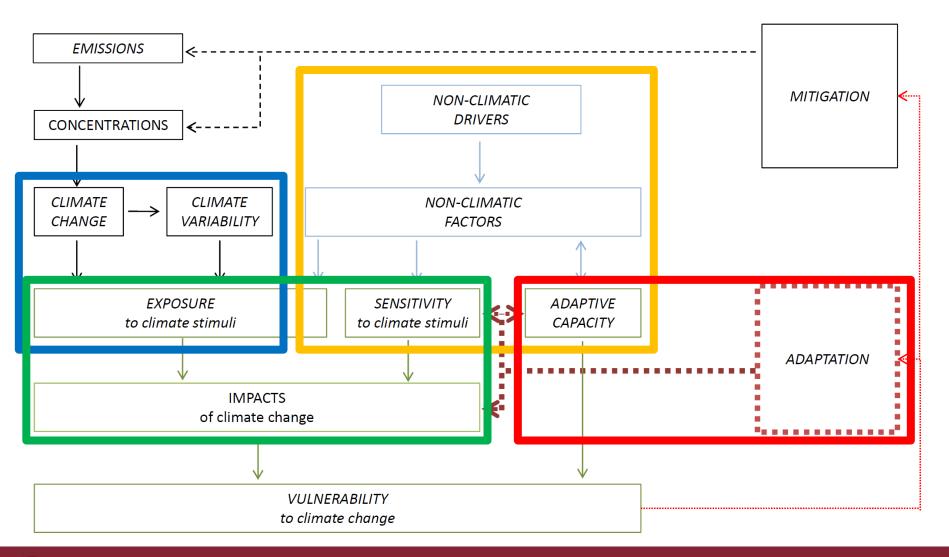
Dar es Salaam Coastal Plain







Conceptual framework





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Project STRATEGY

A. No measure for the reduction of PEOPLE'S exposure (like relocation to safer areas) or sensitivity (like new water pipes), as those measures are considered unsustainable both economically and socially

EXISTING LOCAL ADAPATIVE CAPACITY IS IDENTIFIED AS THE MAJOR RESOURCE FOR CC ADAPTATION

B. No new adaptation-specific plan, as planning is far than effective in Sub-Saharan Cities

MAINSTREAMING OF ADAPATATION OBIJECTIVES INTO EXISTING PLANS AND PROGRAMS

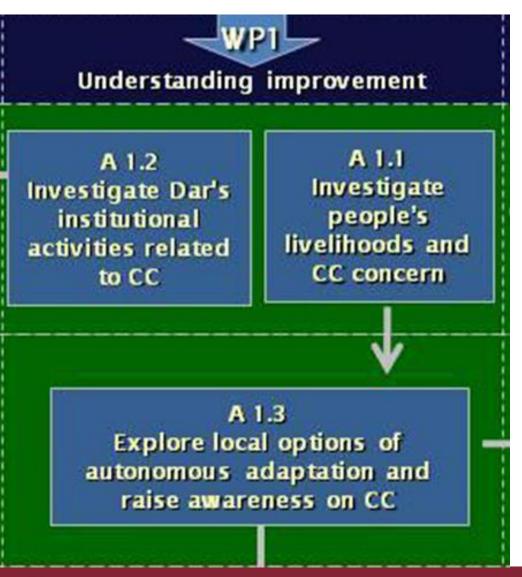
- also taking the opportunity for revising them towards more effectiveness
- C. Focus on Urban Development and Environmental Management

 TO BETTER EXPLOIT PROJECT PARTNERS' COMPETENCES AND

 KNOW-HOW







Implemented Activities

Activity 1.1 – Household Questionnaires

Activity 1.2 – Municipal officers' Questionnaires

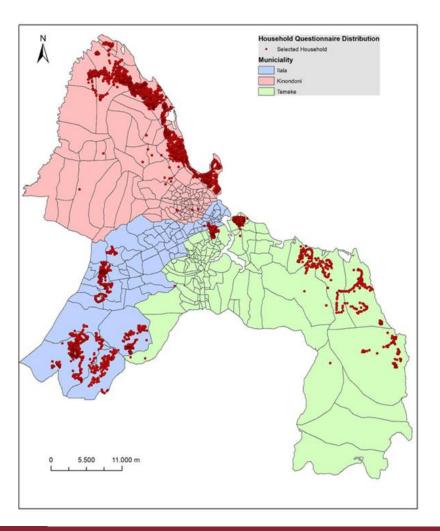
Activity 1.3 – Participatory Theatre

Activity 1.4 – 1st Evaluation Workshop





HH Questionnaires



Participatory Theatre









<u>Implemented Activities</u>

A 2.1 , A 2.2, A 2.3 develop methodologies for :

 monitoring changes in peri-urban settlements



 exploring CC vulnerability scenarios



 designing communitybased adaptation Initiatives Activity 2.1 - Land Cover Change Monitoring and Analysis

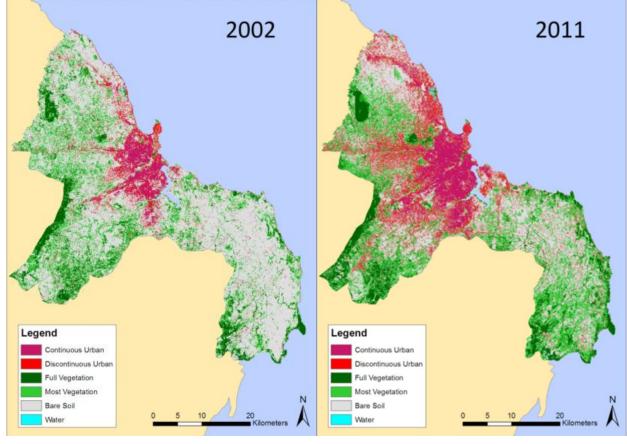
Activity 2.2 - Seawater Intrusion Monitoring and Analysis

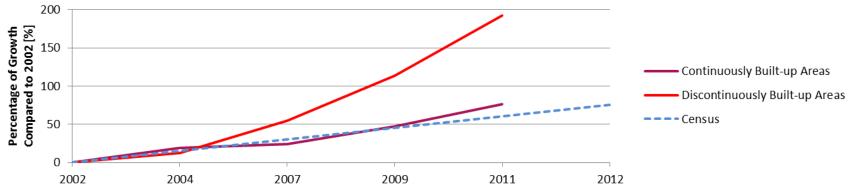
Activity 2.3 – Backcasting participatory scenarios (Sep 2013)

Activity 2.4 – 2nd Evaluation Workshop



Land Cover change monitoring and analysis

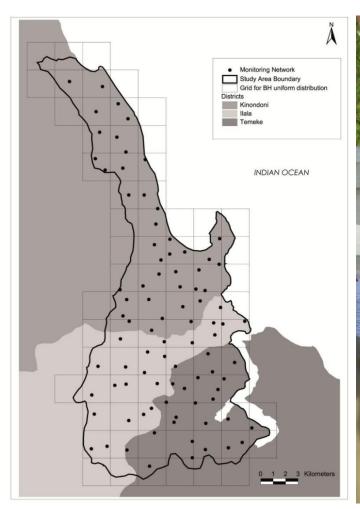








Seawater Intrusion monitoring and analysis









municipal

staff and local NGOs

A 3.4 Support in adaptation

initiatives design



Implemented Activities

Activity 3.1 – Capacity Building Strategy

Activity 3.2 – Training Program

Activity 3.3 – City Conference (July 2013)

Activity 3.4 – Adaptation Initiatives Design (Sep-Nov 2013)

Activity 3.5 – 3rd Evaluation Workshop (Dec 2013)



A 3.3

Mid term conference

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