

# **EU Adaptation Strategy**

**Future work on 2017 Report and adaptation  
scoreboard**

# Adaptation preparedness scoreboard

## Background

### EU Adaptation Strategy:

"By 2014 the Commission will develop an adaptation preparedness scoreboard, identifying key indicators for measuring Member States' level of readiness".

Context: feed into the Commission's 2017 assessment of progress by Member States (sufficiency of action, incl. coverage and quality of the NAS).

Scoreboard developed in 2013-14, including several consultations to MS.

### National scoreboard fiches:

- Filled in by the Commission in late 2014 and early 2015
- Allowed testing the tool / the indicators
- Provides a baseline for comparison with the scoreboard 2017.

Conclusion: The scoreboard structure and indicators are basically sound and useful.

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### Information sources 2015:

#### *International*

- National communications to UNFCCC (early 2014)
- UNISDR national information (National Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction)

#### *European*

- MMR reports & Climate-ADAPT country pages (aligned by Commission's reporting guidance)
- DG CLIMA contracts, e.g. 2013 "Science policy forum workshops for the dissemination of adaptation-related knowledge to policy makers", conducted in 12 MS that did not have a NAS, or only a recently adopted one.
- 2013 self-assessment national fiches (EEA)

#### *National*

- National adaptation strategies and action plans (irrespective of language)
- National websites

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### Information sources 2016 & 2017:

- Relevant information from 2015 scoreboard (starting point, updated).
- Updated Climate-ADAPT country pages. MS to be approached by Commission to update country pages by September 2016.
- National adaptation strategies, action plans and websites (where these exist and are relevant).
- Information derived from forthcoming EEA reports
- Outcome of ongoing and future Commission contracts
- Updated national information on DRR (link DG ECHO)
- Update on MS mainstreaming adaptation into EIA - transposition May 2017 (link DG ENV)

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An indicative calendar for the scoreboard could be:

- Sep 2016: Commission's request to update Climate-ADAPT national pages
- Nov-Dec 2016. Commission updates national fiches.
- Dec. 16-Jan 17. MS are asked for voluntary comments / verification.
- Jan-Mar 2017. Commission revises national scoreboard fiches taking into account MS comments, and starts working on analysis/assessment.
- Apr-May 2017. Likely question to MS on EIA transposition (indicator 8a). Conclusions, graphics, etc. finalised. Exercise completed.



## 2017 Report on the EU Adaptation Strategy

In 2017 the Commission will report to the European Parliament and the Council on the state of implementation of the EU Strategy on adaptation to climate change and propose its review if needed.

Report:

- Focus on implementation: three priorities, eight actions.
  - MS progress including scoreboard
  - Mainstreaming: EU Funds, key policies
  - Informed decision-making: Knowledge, Climate-ADAPT
  - In light of new demands (IPCC, UNFCCC, DRR)
- Time schedule in parallel with the scoreboard + conclusions
- Adoption and publication in the second half of 2017

- A possible **Review** of the EU Adaptation Strategy might follow the 2017 report, most probably in 2018.
  - Deepening where relevant of priorities and actions,
    - Areas needing reinforced action (report 2017)
    - Further consideration of adaptation implementation
  - Synergies vis-à-vis the adaptation pillar of the Paris Agreement
  - Enhancing coordination, guidelines, awareness, communication
  - Forward-looking e.g. support for adaptation in the next MFF / ESIF
  - More inclusive (international dimension)