



Innovation Days

Hosted by the Adaptation Fund, Innovation Days draw on a wide network of stakeholders, partners and communities. These actors bring real life examples to capture the diverse nature of adaptation innovation. Their knowledge inspires, engages, and opens up meaningful discussion.

Innovation Days showcases innovators and innovations from the global South, supporting South-South and North-South dialogue, collaboration and matching of innovative ideas. Innovation Days are open to everyone, as everyone has a role to play in generating a global innovative mindset and enabling adaptation to climate change.











Innovation Days are hosted by the Innovation Facility:

The Innovation Facility of the Adaptation Fund is offering vulnerable countries new tools and grants to foster, scale up and accelerate innovative adaptation practices and technologies on the ground to help meet the urgency of climate change. It is aligned closely with the Paris Climate Agreement, which calls accelerating, encouraging and enabling innovation 'critical' for an effective global response to climate change.

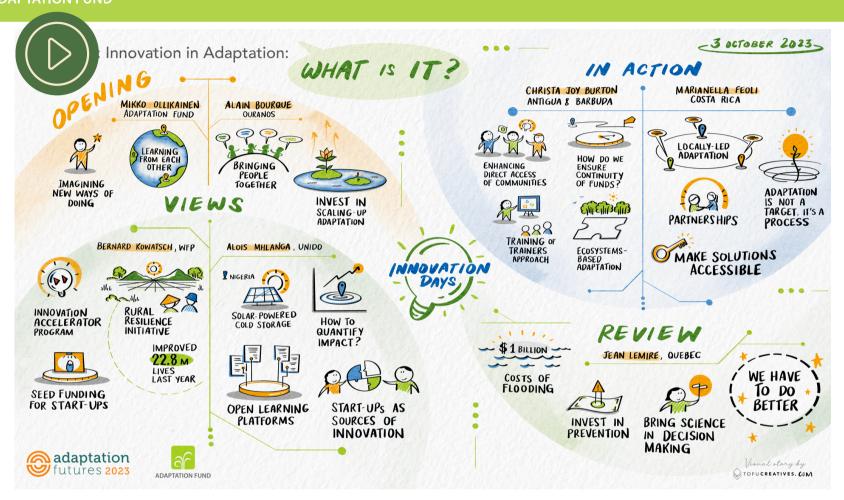
The Facility emerged from the innovation pillar of the Adaptation Fund's Medium-Term Strategy (MTS) for 2018-2022, which aimed to foster innovation for effective, long-term adaptation. The Fund's MTS for 2023-2027 continues the strategic innovation pillar while increasing ambition and synergy with other pillars of action and learning.

The Fund has supported innovation throughout its 15-plus year history. It pioneered Direct Access and Enhanced Direct Access, fostering country and local ownership in adaptation, and many of its concrete projects on the ground have often been the first adaptation actions in developing countries and are building valuable knowledge and creating scalable models along the way. The Facility takes innovation a step further through dedicated grant funding windows to foster innovation in adaptation, while building on the Fund's core strengths and comparative advantage as a highly functioning nimble fund.

Session 1: Innovation in adaptation: What is it? Session 2: Innovation in adaptation: What does it look like? Session 3: The Innovation Process: How is it done? Session 4: Locally led innovation: What does it look like? Session 5:
Innovation in
adaptation: What is
the future?



Innovation in adaptation: What is it?













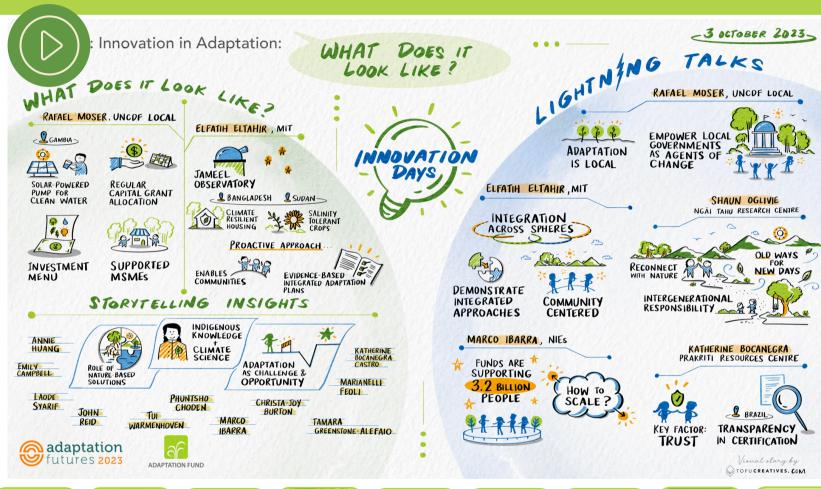




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Innovation in adaptation: What does it look like?





















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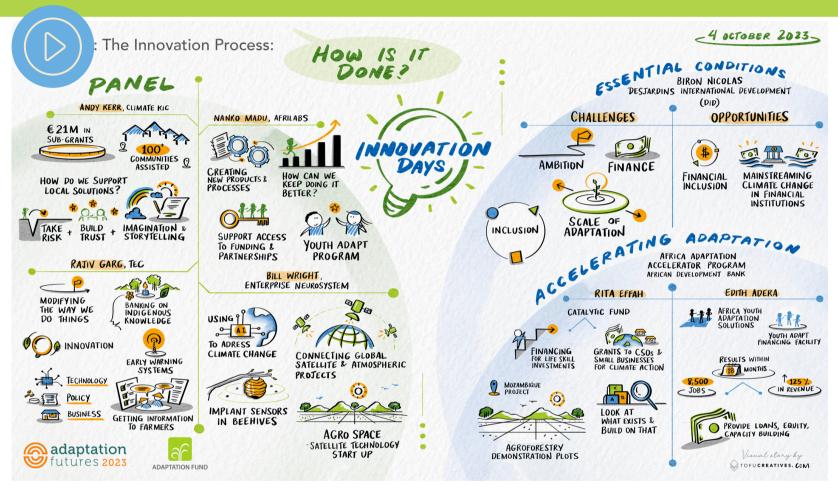








The Innovation Process: How is it done?













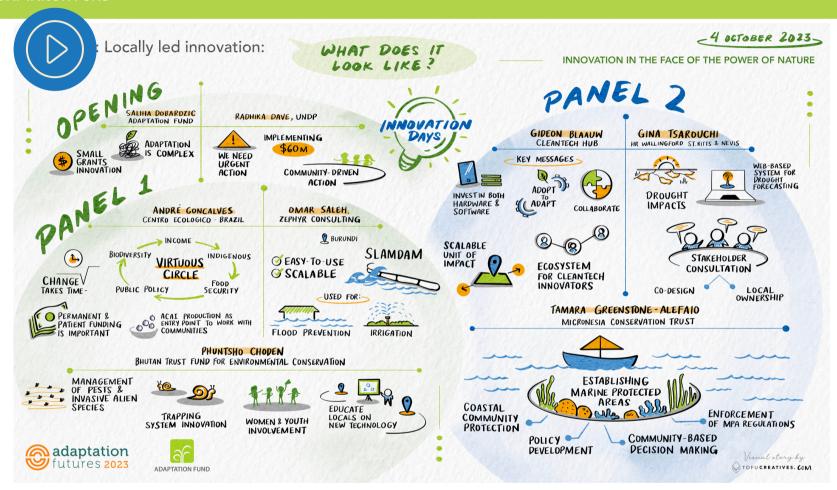




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Locally led innovation: What does it look like?















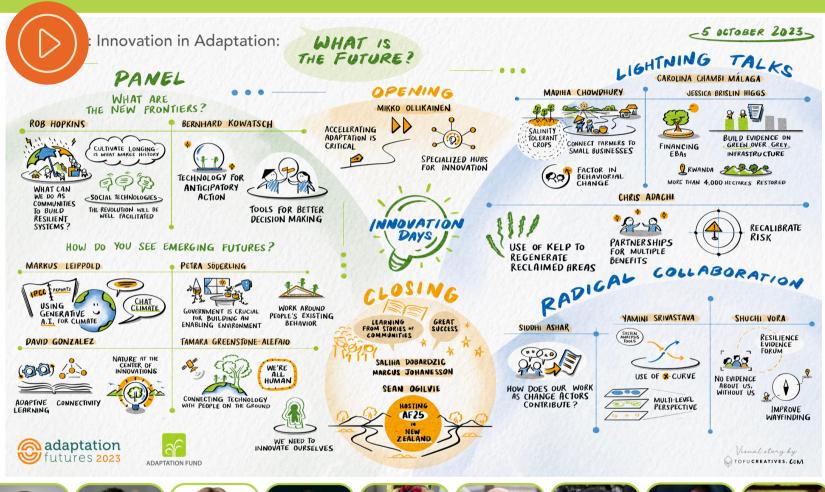




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Innovation in adaptation: What is the future?





















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