

UNDP Drylands Development Centre Enters Phase 2 of Mainstreaming E-Forum

The Drylands Network, established by the UNDP Drylands Development Center, is entering the second phase of its E-forum on mainstreaming. Facilitators of the Drylands Network organized the mainstreaming e-forum to create dialogue around two central questions:

1. Based on your knowledge, provide and advise interms of how generic guidelines for mainstreaming can be adapted and be implemented on the ground at country level taking into account the specificities of each country.
2. What type of support do you feel would be the most appropriate from UNDP to assist the countries implement the guidelines at national and /or local levels?

The second phase of the mainstreaming E-forum focused on summarizing and sharing trends from the forum. The facilitators of the E-forum summarized the out come of the forum:

“Practitioners are facing many challenges when engaged in the mainstreaming process at country level. The inputs received from participants based on questions asked for this second phase of the E-Forum, provide useful guidance to help countries adapt the Generic Guidelines to countries’ needs and specificities. Concrete suggestions have been made to assist countries in their mainstreaming effort. We are now winding up this E-Forum.”

A final version of the generic guidelines suggested in the forum will be published in January. In addition, UNDP DDC 2008-2011 Integrated Drylands Development Programme will incorporate the valid suggestions for support to countries.

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