

Municipal climate adaptation plan

Potential Climate/ Disaster Impacts addressed and Justification for this Approach

The municipal climate change strategy of Kouga addresses climate change on different levels. Special focus lies on droughts and sea level rise/flooding. The aim of the strategy is 1) to provide direction for decision making related to climate change adaptation and mitigation projects, 2) to inform staff of Kouga municipality as well as the public and especially relevant stakeholders about the impact of climate change and possible responses at the municipal level, 3) to develop a basic Climate Change Risk and Vulnerability Assessment for Kouga that considers the local conditions in each town/ward, 4) to review the policies addressing climate change

Process of Implementation

GIZ's Climate Support Program (CSP) was adapted to the municipal level and set the framework for the climate strategy. A series of workshops was developed together with a development advisor starting with a meeting with the Mayoral Committee. The strategy consists of three implementation lines. The first line focuses on mainstreaming climate change into the municipal management, the second line is about responses to main climate change vulnerabilities and the third line lists short-term measures that were identified through the process.

Project Title

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Results and Impacts

The Climate Change Team is currently waiting for council approval of the strategy which the team cannot really influence since it is a political issue. Several of the short term measures are already being implemented such as tree planning and the dune rehabilitation. The awareness in the administration is strong



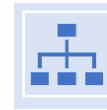
TYPE OF APPROACH

Plan & Strategy Development



COUNTRY

South Africa



LEVEL OF INTERVENTION

city, neighbourhood



TYPE OF RISK MANAGEMENT

resistance, transformation



MAIN HAZARDS ADDRESSED

Drought, flood



URBAN FUNCTION PROTECTED

all



SPHERE OF INTERVENTION

socio-political sphere/ governance, economy, environment



RESOURCES REQUIRED

1 development advisor



COOPERATION PARTNERS

Kouga Local Municipality, German municipality IIsfeld