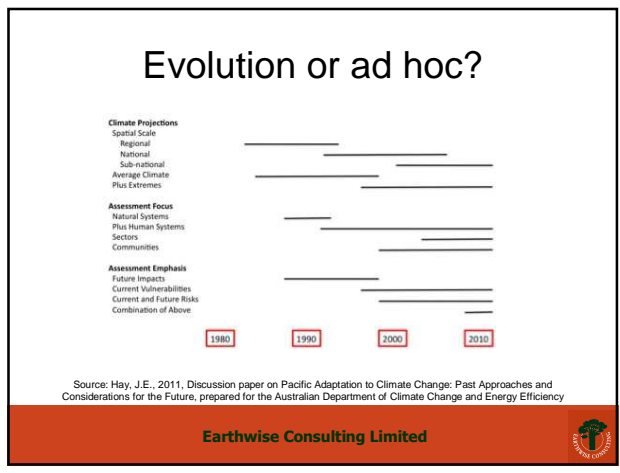
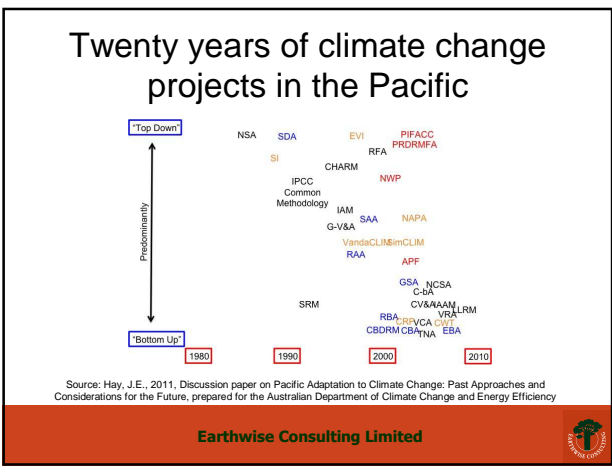


Pacific Island experience

- 1997/98, development and delivery of a 6-month V&A training course to 20 Pacific Island trainees
- Trainees prepared draft V&A reports for their countries
- 1999, travelled to participating countries to support preparation of V&A statements for UNFCCC reporting
- Numerous climate change projects since then
- 2011, on-going lack of capacity for preparation of 2nd national communications

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DRR and CCA in the Pacific

- 'Institutional and Policy Analysis of Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation in Pacific Island Countries'
- Report prepared for UNISDR and UNDP by John Hay, 2009

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CCA and DRR evaluation

- Need for more DRR
- Few synergies are being exploited
- Institution and policy maps and gaps – detailed review of four case study countries (Cook Islands, Fiji, Palau, Vanuatu)
- Lessons from the Caribbean
- Recommendations for greater integration

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Findings from four case study countries

Level of mainstreaming:

- DRR referenced in planning but little budgetary allowance, limited extension at local level
- CCA referenced, but very limited ability to reduce vulnerability

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Findings from four case study countries

Translation of policies and plans into programmes

- Very little practical implementation of DRR. NGO work effective but limited.
- Limited translation of CCA to sectors and communities. At local level much of work is being undertaken outside conventional national planning and budgetary processes.

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Findings from four case study countries

Institutional arrangements

- Excellent DRM arrangements in theory that often fall down in practice – poor communication
- Climate change seen as an environmental issue with Ministry for Environment taking the lead. In some countries transferred to PMs office, but no additional resources

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Findings from four case study countries

Level of integration of DRR and CCA

- Low level integration with little happening on the ground
- Tonga has developed an integrated plan for DRR and CCA
- Proof of its effectiveness will be in the implementation

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Success factors

- Learn from past experience
- Include those most affected
- In harmony with community
- Outside support
- Enhance peoples capacity to act (not victims)
- Draw on participatory development activities
- Simple and user-friendly M&E
- Local champions used to mobilise communities
- Empowerment of local community

Source: Hay, J.E., 2011. Discussion paper on Pacific Adaptation to Climate Change: Past Approaches and Considerations for the Future, prepared for the Australian Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency

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Key lessons

- No one approach will address all needs and accommodate all capacities
- Too few examples of documenting, communicating and acting on lessons learned over time

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