

In summary

Climate change and disaster risk



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Our *In summary* publications aim to give an introduction to a key area of our expertise and the capabilities we offer in supporting governments, funders, practitioners, and partners in achieving lasting, positive change through policy reform.

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Climate change and disaster risk

Climate change is increasingly at the forefront of international discussion, and it is vital that governments are able to implement policies that address current development needs as well as mitigating the effects of climate change and successfully reducing and managing disaster risk.

Our Climate Change and Disaster Risk portfolio designs, implements, and evaluates climate change adaptation and mitigation policies, analyses the costs of inaction, and provides training in related fields, among other services. We work across thematic areas of adaptation and resilience, low carbon growth, climate finance, disaster risk, and urban resilience.

What we offer

- Conduct in-depth analytical research and assessments to inform practical choices for policy implementation
- Provide evidence based advice to the governments for converting policy into action and effective public service delivery
- Support organisational reforms, inform multi-level governance, and build capacity at all levels
- Conduct impact assessments and programme reviews, and design independent evaluations and internal M&E systems
- Establish systems for designing, managing, and delivering large demand-driven programmes in varied political economy contexts





We work across five thematic areas

Adaptation and resilience

- Mainstreaming climate change adaptation in cross sectoral national and provincial planning
- Promoting climate-resilient management of natural resources in the agriculture, water, and forestry sectors
- Designing and assessing community-based adaptation solutions aligned with gender and social inclusion, social protection, and livelihood security

Low carbon growth

- Supporting policy and governance reforms in the energy sector
- Promoting low carbon and green growth strategies
- Researching the effectiveness of energy policies and their interlinkages with green growth

Access to climate finance

- Tapping the potential of public and private finance for climate actions
- Analysing costs of climate impacts and integrating climate finance in national/state budgets
- Accessing national and international climate funds

Disaster risk

- Providing solutions for disaster preparedness, response, and recovery by designing, implementing, and evaluating policies and strategies
- Helping governments understand and implement risk financing measures, such as risk insurance

Urban resilience

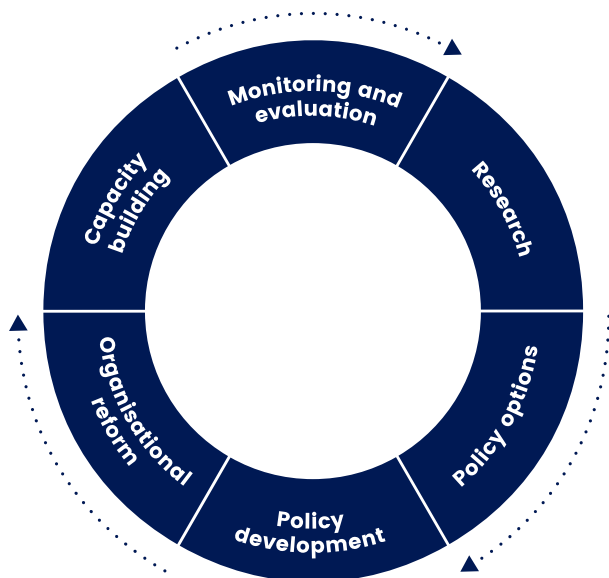
- Helping to ensure sustainable and resilient growth of cities
- Providing multi-sectoral planning support focusing on urban risk resilience issues, including governance and institutional reforms, finance, regional development, urban planning, and infrastructure and services

We work globally across the policy cycle





Map above is based on a Gall-Peters projection



Monitoring and evaluation

- Evaluating Myanmar's Livelihood and Food Security Trust Fund
- Evaluating the Global Assessment Report by the UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction
- Conducting an independent mid-term review of the Nepal Climate Change Support Programme, supporting the implementation of the Local Adaptation Plan of Action

Research

- Leading a global research programme on Energy and Economic Growth
- Mapping vulnerability to flooding in Pakistan
- Advising donors and governments on shock responsive social protection in Latin America and the Caribbean

Policy options and development

- Supporting National Adaptation Plans in Nepal and India
- Mainstreaming climate finance in national and sub-national budgeting
- Supporting Ghana's Ministry of Energy to develop their energy policy
- Climate proofing Afghanistan's Natural Resource Management Policy

Organisational reform

- Leveraging more than USD 135 million of national and international climate funding
- Institutional capacity building for implementation of State Action Plans on Climate Change in India
- Capacity building and training to the Indonesian Ministry of Finance through a Low Carbon Support programme

Programme design and delivery

- Designing second phase of £22 million Nepal Climate Change Support Programme
- Managing £23 million Action on Climate Today



Case studies

Action on Climate Today in South Asia

We are managing the four-year, £23 million Action on Climate Today (ACT) programme, working with the governments of Afghanistan, India, Nepal, and Pakistan. ACT is supporting governments to plan and deliver climate resilient programmes, policies, and investments. The programme has shaped policy tools and enhanced institutional systems that build resilience of vulnerable people, such as resilient agriculture value chains and flood early warning systems.



Low Carbon Support programme in Indonesia

We achieved significant policy and planning reforms in the flagship DFID-funded Low Carbon Support programme to the Ministry of Finance. The three-year programme (which helped the government leverage more than £180 million) aimed to promote viable alternatives to carbon-intensive development in Indonesia. Technical assistance helped the design and implementation of environmental tax reforms and subsidies that incentivise renewable energy, energy efficiency, and sustainable land use management.

Evaluating the African Risk Capacity

We are leading an independent evaluation of the African Risk Capacity (ARC). ARC is an innovative regional risk pooling initiative led by the African Union. Running from 2015 to 2024, this evaluation will provide important new evidence on how sovereign insurance schemes can contribute to comprehensive risk management and risk reduction.



About Oxford Policy Management

Oxford Policy Management is committed to helping low- and middle-income countries achieve growth and reduce poverty and disadvantage through public policy reform. We seek to bring about lasting positive change using analytical and practical policy expertise. Through our global network of offices, we work in partnership with national decision makers to research, design, implement, and evaluate impactful public policy. We work in all areas of social and economic policy and governance, including health, finance, education, climate change, and public sector management. We draw on our local and international sector experts to provide the very best evidence-based support.

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