

Web tools for communicating climate change information

Some reflections on Day 1 of the Workshop

What did we hear about?

- Different national approaches to the provision of information on climate observations and projections (Netherlands, Canada, Norway, Finland, [UK]) but common challenges (local information, seamless transition between observations and projections; communication of uncertainties vs. manageability; guidance and training)
- A suite of existing tools for mitigation targeting different audiences at different scales
- Impact tools: Finnish example
- Adaptation tools: risk framework approach (UKCIP) – still under development (need for practical guidance and examples)
- Factors affecting the uptake/use of tools (addressing needs, free access, limited new data, easy to use, compatible with existing tools)

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What questions are raised for CCCRP?

- Is our target audience appropriate (municipal decision-makers)?
- Is a single portal sufficient for all user needs?
- How best can we address uncertainties?
- Which tools are relevant for the target audience?
- What criteria should we use to evaluate and select tools?
- What methods can we use to encourage user interchange (e.g. social media)?
- How can we best address impacts, adaptation and mitigation in a single portal?
- Are we allocating sufficient resources for user support, guidance and training?