



# Gaborone Declaration Moving forward

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# Background

- Origination of Summit
  - Convened and hosted by Botswana
- Declaration and implementation commitments
  - Heads of State
- Follow-up meeting
  - Convened and hosted by Botswana
  - Technical, financial and logistical inputs
    - GoB, UNDP, CI, WB, Debswana



# Moving forward

- Coordinated implementation of the activities of the signatory countries
- Monitoring and reporting progress on agreed action areas
- Peer review and learning
- Outreach to other countries
- Demonstrating the worth of the initiative
  - Requires some form of coordination



# Immediate coordination needs

- Collection and management of information
  - E.g. baseline of current and planned activities
- Identification and sharing of information, tools and capacity building opportunities
- Facilitate exchange of experiences and best practices that enhance implementation
- Organising and facilitating meetings
- Maintaining website
- External liaison:
  - Non-signatory countries, support organization



# Implications

- Dedicated contact point to provide technical and logistical support
- Financial resources
  - Equipment
  - Communications
  - Etc
- Minimize additional burdens on signatory countries early on



# Outlook

- Growing initiative
  - More signatories
  - Scope of work increases
  - Needs of signatories increases to scale up implementation
  - External interests and demands on coordinating focal point (additional technical and other expertise required).
- Consideration for formal model at certain point



# Immediate decisions with or without formal model

- GDSA meetings
  - Frequency
    - Technical meetings
    - Policy level meetings
  - Venues of meetings
- Interactions/relationships with other African bodies
  - African Union
  - African Ministerial Conference for Environment
  - Etc.



# Country level short term actions

- Establish dedicated focal points for GDSA
  - Policy level for strategic liaison
  - Technical level for day-to-day liaison
- Provide information to create overall baseline for initiative
  - Completion of templates provided earlier
  - National road-maps for implementation
  - Other information





# Website

- Current structure and content
  - Set content
  - Interactive platform
- Populating website with GDSA-relevant information from signatory countries
- Maintaining website
- [www.gaboronedeclaration.com](http://www.gaboronedeclaration.com)



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### VISION OF THE INITIATIVE

In May 2012, ten African heads of states in collaboration with some public and private sector partners held a two





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