

***Stories on Resilience 2024 on Locally-Led Adaption:***  
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To address climate change and development challenges effectively, collaboration among various actors is essential. Local communities and organizations, equipped with their unique knowledge and strengths, should lead the planning, design, implementation, and monitoring of local interventions. Learning from these locally-led adaptation efforts is crucial to promote such initiatives further. This approach contrasts with top-down interventions led by governments, donors, or external partners, which often overlook local knowledge, needs, and aspirations.

The Global Center for Adaptation's (GCA) Global Hub on Locally Led Adaptation (LLA) aims to overcome barriers to scaling up LLA. As part of this effort, the GCA publishes an annual publication, *Stories of Resilience: Lessons from Local Adaptation Practice*. This publication supports learning on LLA at local, national, and global levels by understanding the successes and challenges of implementing climate resilience solutions in line with the eight LLA Principles.

## **Editorial process:**

### **Chapter Structure and Content**

Each chapter of the 2024 edition of *Stories of Resilience* will consist of two main parts:

- **Overview or Analysis:** This section will provide a comprehensive understanding of a specific topic related to LLA. We encourage authors to offer insightful analysis based on their experience and expertise.
- **Case Studies and Supporting Information:** To strengthen your chapter and center local voices, please include case studies that exemplify the concepts discussed. These case studies can focus on successful LLA initiatives in your region. You may also include any other data or information relevant to your chapter, such as statistics, maps, or quotes from local stakeholders.

### **Balancing Local Voices**

A core principle of *Stories of Resilience* is to elevate and amplify the voices of local communities. We encourage authors to conduct interviews with local leaders and community members whenever possible, ensuring the chapter reflects their perspectives and experiences.

### **Timeline**

To ensure a smooth editorial process, we have established the following timeline:

- **First Draft Due:** We kindly request first drafts to be received between 12 to 28 August 2024. Of course, if you can submit much earlier than this date, we welcome that.
- **Feedback and Revision:** You will receive feedback on your draft for further input.
- **Finalization:** We aim to complete the feedback loop and finalize the publication by 20 September. Please plan your submission accordingly.

### **Editorial guidelines:**

- **Word Limit:** Maximum 4000 words for the chapter, including case studies
- **Photographs:** Provide 3 high-resolution photos with credits and a caption
- **Video footage:** **Word Limit:** Maximum 4000 words for the chapter, including case studies
- **Photographs:** Provide 3 high-resolution photos with credits.
- **Video footage:** Please share with us relevant video footage you may have as we plan to also make a video out of the publication in October 2024.
- **Hyperlinks:** please include hyperlinks where relevant
- **References:** In the reference list, articles should be referenced in the following way:
  - Author's family name and initials. Year. Title of article. Journal title, volume (issue number), (page number of your quotation).
- **Language:** Use American English spelling. Avoid British spelling.

- **Abbreviations:** Explain all abbreviations and acronyms at their first mention.
- **Capitalization:** Capitalize Celsius and Fahrenheit. Do not capitalize climate change.
- **Italics:** Use italics for titles of books, publications, periodicals, newspapers, films, plays, radio and television programs, podcasts (series), and works of art. Do not use italics for emphasis or non-English names of organizations.
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