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What is a climate change vulnerability assessment?

A climate change vulnerability assessment is a way of identifying and prioritising impacts from climate change. The [IPCC](#) defines vulnerability as:

"Vulnerability to climate change is the degree to which geophysical, biological and socio-economic systems are susceptible to, and unable to cope with, adverse impacts of climate change"

A vulnerability assessment lets you identify these adverse impacts of climate change that are most important to your area. The video below is a summary of the climate change vulnerability assessment process that is used in this toolkit.

3a.Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment Methodology

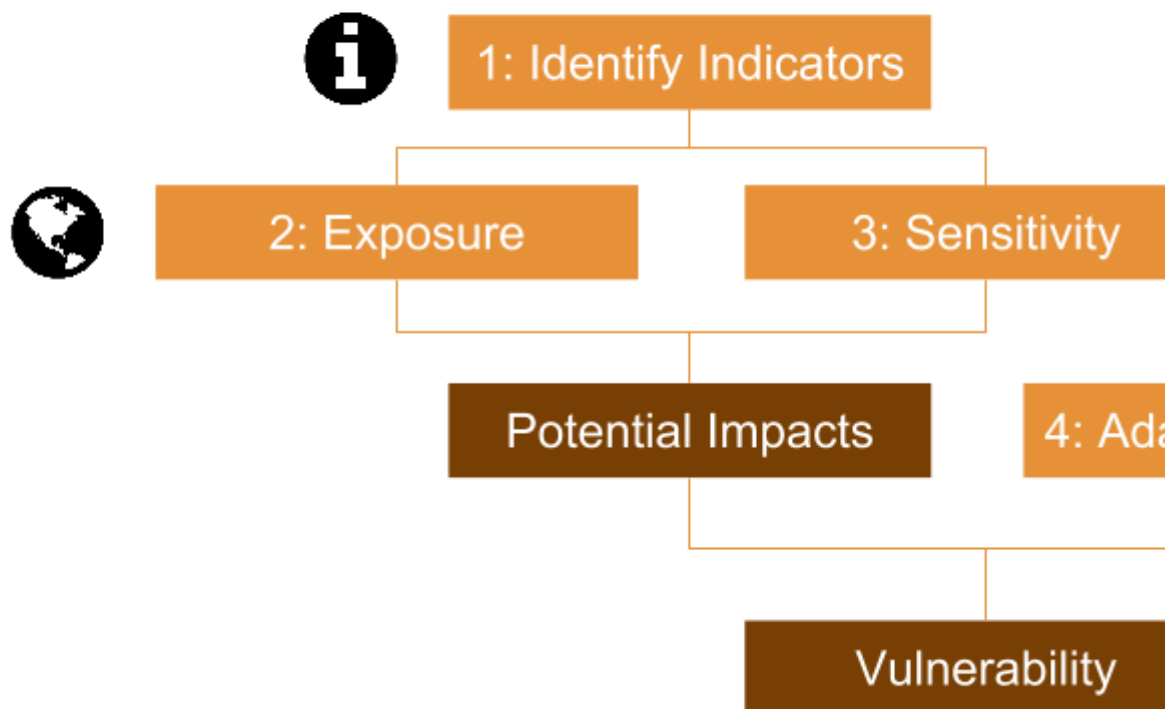


How do I conduct a Vulnerability Assessment?

The presentation below provides a summary of the vulnerability assessment process using the LGCCS Vulnerability Assessment Tool. You can also download the following documents as part of this tool.

- Vulnerability Assessment Score Sheet ([excel](#))
- Vulnerability Assessment Methodology Presentation ([power point](#)).
- Vulnerability Assessment Indicator Tables ([excel](#))

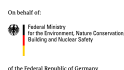
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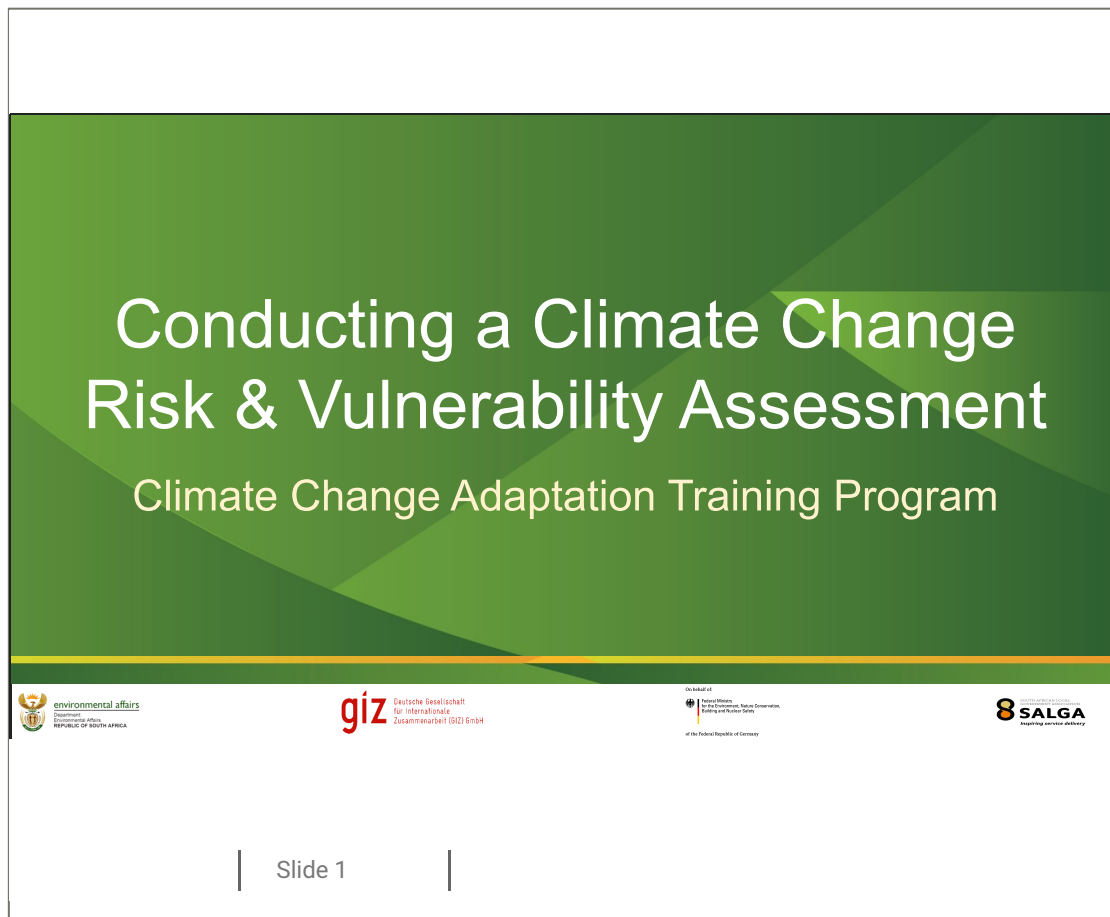
Once you have identified your key vulnerability indicators for each sector you can develop a climate change response plan using the templates provided through the LGCCS. Click [here](#) for more information on the climate change response plan templates.

Subpages (4): [Step 1 Indicators](#) [Step 2 Exposure](#) [Step 3 Sensitivity](#) [Step 4 Adaptive Capacity](#)



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Steps involved in a Vulnerability Assessment

There are four steps to conducting a vulnerability assessment, there are:

- Step 1: Identify potential impacts of indicators
- Step 2: Assess whether the impact will take place (exposure).
- Step 3: Assess how important the risk is (sensitivity).
- Step 4: Assess if you can respond to the risk (adaptive capacity).