



## SESSION DESCRIPTION

# **B1**      **Unlock opportunities and improve collaboration through effective mechanisms and facilitation tools**

### **Tools and Games for better dialogue among stakeholders: Examples from Africa**

**Date:** Wednesday, 26 June, 2019  
**Time:** 16:00-17:30  
**Rooms:** S29-31

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## OBJECTIVE

This session aimed at all that want to participate in lively discussions, “game” playing and excited about a highly interactive and engaging session format. Participants were exposed to dialogue techniques and lessons that have global relevance for developing effective collaboration mechanisms to enable urban climate change adaptation and resilience-building. Through ‘learning by doing’, the session provided the platform for participants to upscale the relevant lessons and dialogue methods into their own settings and activities.

The session began with a short setting the scene presentation from the IMPACT project. An interactive discussion, by means of a Samoan Table, where all participants felt empowered to share their thoughts on collaboration and their experiences of whether collaboration has led to an improvement of climate resilience in their cities and projects. The Samoan Table was kicked off by project partners from Malawi and Zimbabwe who showcased existing collaboration mechanisms in Africa, how they are being applied and what the key enablers and barriers of such mechanisms are.

A short presentation on the FRACTAL project paved the way into unpacking the importance of building effective processes for improved decision making and governance through showcasing project activities and learnings as well as presenting key interactive games that have been designed under the IMPACT and FRACTAL projects.

The remainder of the session was spent interacting, learning and participating in these dialogue techniques. The participants were divided into different groups and each group was exposed to a different game. At the end of this initial round participants moved to a second game. The participants had the opportunity to come together and reflect on the session with a formal wrap up and closure.



## METHODOLOGY

- Welcome and opening remarks. **(5 minutes)**
- IMPACT overview. **(5 minutes)**
- Introduction and 4 Samoan Table speakers took their seats. **(5 minutes)**
- Samoan Table presentations. **(4 x 5 minutes)**
- Samoan Table inputs. **(3 x 5 minutes)**
- FRACTAL overview & game introduction. **(5 minutes)**
- Interactive game playing. **(30 minutes)**
- Closing remarks. **(5 minutes)**

## CONTRIBUTORS

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