

REAP Target 3 & 4 Workplan

This live workplan builds initially on the recommendations of the REAP State of Play 2022. It sets out the changes that REAP wants to see in scaling up the delivery of early warnings to last mile communities, to ensure local early actions. The proposed activities and milestones set the direction for the Partnership's progress towards achieving REAP Target 3 and Target 4. The activities laid out in this workplan aim to capitalise on the incredible breadth and depth of expertise across the Partnership and to utilise REAP's role as a convener and catalyser of action across an unprecedented diversity of partners and stakeholders. **The activities are medium- to long-term interventions; as such, prioritisation will take place each year to ensure the most critical areas are progressed.**



Target 1

50 countries have reviewed and integrated their crisis/disaster risk management and climate adaptation laws, policies and/or plans to ensure that they reduce climate change impacts and exposure on people and the environment.



Target 2

1 billion more people are covered by financing and delivery mechanisms connected to effective early action plans, ensuring they can act ahead of predicted disasters and crises.



Target 3

\$500 million invested in early warning system infrastructure and institutions to target early action in 'last/first mile' communities, building on existing initiatives.



Target 4

1 billion more people are covered by new or improved early warning systems, including heatwave early warning, connected to longer-term risk management systems, and supported by effective risk communication and public stakeholder dialogue to prompt informed action.

The changes we want to see over the long term – up to 2025 and beyond – are:

1. **[Sensemaking] Partners from the humanitarian, climate and development sectors have a common understanding of the early warning early action value chain(s) and how approaches differ across sectors.**

REAP will bring experts together from across sectors and disciplines to review existing EWEA value chains and identify current challenges to universal coverage in early warnings. REAP will also ensure that the full range of EWEA stakeholders are able to connect to peers across collaboration mechanisms such as the Early Warning Initiatives Working Group or the Early Warnings for All initiative pillar discussions.

Key output: Partners agree on an updated conceptual framework for the early warning early action value chain

2. **[Access to finance] Donors and aid recipients have a clearer understanding of the financial flows across the early warning early action value chain.**

The updated early warning early action value chain is expected to lead to a renewed understanding of existing financing overlaps and gaps. As part of REAP's engagement with the donor community (connected to REAP's Target 2 donor engagement), guidance will be provided to orient EWEA donors and funding recipients across the value chain and across countries and regions. The guidance will aim to highlight the complementarity of funding streams across the EWEA components and across climate, development and humanitarian funds.

Key output: A light touch methodology that helps donors identify where to contribute across the early warning early action value chain.

3. **[Inclusion] Early warning early action actors are connected across the national, regional and global levels.**

Regional organisations – including regional climate and development coordination bodies, funds and implementing actors – are acknowledged as critical stakeholders in taking risk-informed early action to scale and connecting national governments with global policy and finance. Their involvement in discussions around two-way communication and a shared understanding of the early warning early action value chain will help ensure national and regional EWS strategies incorporate the most relevant knowledge. Through its engagement with national and regional EWEA coordination mechanisms, the REAP Partnership will advocate for the broad inclusion of EWEA stakeholders, including local and national non-state actors.

Key output: Global discussions on scaling up early warning early action incorporate relevant national and regional bodies.

4. **[Learning] Relevant information and evidence around EWEA two-way communication are documented and available.**

REAP will continue to support development of key research and guidance resources around Target 4, via the Risk Communication Working Group, the Pillar discussions in the Early Warnings for All initiative and other relevant mechanisms.

Key output: The Risk Communication WG provides resources to strengthen two-way communication in early warning system design.

The table below sets out the priority actions the Partnership will undertake to set the pathway towards achieving Targets 3 and 4.

Outcome	No.	Activity	Rationale and Milestones	Responsible
1: Partners from the humanitarian, climate and development sectors have a common understanding of the early warning early action value chain(s) and how approaches differ across sectors [sensemaking]	1.1	Broaden inclusion of EWEA stakeholders	Linkages are established across the EWEA value chain and across related regional and global initiatives, to broaden the inclusion of all relevant stakeholders and bridge the silos across the traditional pillars of EWS. [SOP R2.2 ¹] 2024 update: ongoing.	REAP EWI WG REAP RC WG
	1.2	Update existing EWEA value chain	REAP acts as a convening space to review current conceptualisations of the early warning early action value chain and develop a conceptual framework to clarify the various components and roles and responsibilities. [SOP R3.1 ²] 2024 update: “REAP compendium of early warning early action visualisations” draft finalised, circulated for comments in Jan. 2024. Public consultation to be conducted in March 2024. Launch scheduled for June 2024.	REAP “EWEA full value chain” advisory group
	1.3	Provide guidance for the application of a comprehensive EWEA value chain	REAP Working Groups develop relevant guidance to ensure national, regional and global partners factor in the EWEA full value chain. Based on the EWEA conceptual framework, roles and responsibilities are clarified under each of the components of an effective EWS. 2024 update: ongoing.	REAP EWI WG REAP “EWEA full value chain” advisory group
	1.4	Establish a custodian of the EWEA value chain	A formal mechanism will be proposed to provide regular reviews to the updated EWEA value chain. 2024 update: subject to completion of preceding activities.	

¹ State of Play Recommendation 2.2: “Bring together experts from across sectors and disciplines to support key opportunities for collaboration such as the Early Warnings for All initiative and the Global Shield against Climate Risks, and advocate for incentives for participation by a diverse group of stakeholders.”

² State of Play Recommendation 3.1: “Support the development of a conceptual framework for the early warning early action value chain, which clarifies the various components included and roles and responsibilities in terms of supporting each element. This effort will also contribute to the Early Warning for All Initiative, in its attempt to broaden the inclusion of all EWS stakeholders and bridge the silos across the four pillars of the initiative.”

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2: Donors and aid recipients have a clearer understanding of the financial flows across the early warning early action value chain [access to finance]	2.1	Document current mapping efforts of financing across the EWEA value chain	The REAP Secretariat will consult with partners to design a methodology to identify donor contributions across the EWEA value chain. This overview of the current global funding situation will help identify critical gaps within the EWEA value chain that are currently under-resourced. [SOP R3.3 ³] 2024 update: discussions taking place with partners on the establishment of an EWEA Observatory.	REAP Sec. / T3 financing consultant
	2.2	Provide practical guidance on EWEA finance accessible to local actors.	Through the participation in mapping exercise and coordination mechanisms, EWEA implementing partners at local and national levels – whether NGOs, private sectors or CSOs – have greater clarity on relevant funding. REAP Secretariat will support relevant partners to create suitable briefings and advocacy materials calling for more and better finance for early action. [SOP R1.2 ⁴] 2024 update: working on linkages to Getting Ahead of Disasters Charter (see Target 2 / Finance for Early Action Workplan, activity 2.3).	REAP Partner with an LLA focus
3: Early warning early action actors are connected across the national, regional and global levels [inclusion]	3.1	Support regional coordination	REAP Partners will continue to advocate for regional coordination around EWEA. Regional organisations – including regional climate and development coordination bodies, funds and implementing actors – will be encouraged to participate in REAP workstreams. [SOP R1.1 ⁵] 2024 update: ongoing.	UNDRR Regional bodies REAP Sec.

³ State of Play Recommendation 3.3: “Contribute to activities that aim to achieve clarity on relevant funding arrangements, i.e., by helping to build understanding what resources already exist to support different components of the value chain and using the information to support work on finance for early action.”

⁴ State of Play Recommendation 1.2: “Supporting the development and dissemination of good practice guidance (such as tools, checklists or templates) to support regional actors across a range of activities that support early action at scale.”

⁵ State of Play Recommendation 1.1: “Convening regional actors to identify the principal enablers and blockers to achieving success in scaling up early action, highlighting good practices and exchanging lessons learned to date, including around engagement of actors at the national and subnational levels.”

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	3.2	Conduct joint analyses at national level	REAP Partners will support new or ongoing mapping exercises of current efforts across the value chain in the national and regional contexts where they operate. [SOP R3.2 ⁶] 2024 update: subject to completion activities under output 1.	All REAP Partners
	3.3	Embed local perspectives into all relevant EWEA discussions	REAP Partners will support the inclusion of diverse perspectives on last-mile impact. REAP Partners will work together to determine the best ways to ensure Global South, non-state EWS stakeholders and last-mile community perspectives are incorporated into value chain discussions. [SOP 5.3 ⁷] 2024 update: ongoing.	REAP EWI WG
	3.4	Promote early action champions from across the full value chain	The REAP Secretariat will continue to identify and empower early action champions and ambassadors within Partner organisations that can provide a vision for how to scale-up early action at the national, regional and global levels, focusing on different thematic and geographic priorities. [SOP R2.3 ⁸] 2024 update: ongoing.	REAP Sec.
4: Relevant information and evidence around EWEA two-way communication are	4.1	Embed two-way communication into the EWEA value chain	The Risk Communication Working Group will identify critical entry points in the EWEA value chain related to the achievement of Target 4. [SOP R5.2 ⁹] 2024 update: ongoing.	REAP Risk Comms WG

⁶ State of Play Recommendation 3.2: “Undertake a mapping of the value chain at the national level for a select number of initiator countries (to be defined), to clarify roles and responsibilities and also identify gaps at national levels.”

⁷ State of Play Recommendation 5.3: “Working with Partners such as GNDR, ICVA, Nexus and RAED to mainstream local perspectives into Partnership activities.”

⁸ State of Play Recommendation 2.3: “Identify and empower early action champions and ambassadors within Partner organisations that can provide a vision for how to scale-up early action at the national, regional and global levels, focusing on different thematic and geographic priorities.”

⁹ State of Play Recommendation 5.2: “Developing a work plan relating to Target 4 which sets out clear roles and responsibilities for different relevant partners and which identifies priority actions for achieving scale.”

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documented and available [learning]	4.2	Provide practical guidance on EWEA two-way communication accessible to local actors	<p>The Risk Communication Working Group will map existing resources to address current gaps for two-way communication across the EWEA value chain. [SOP R5.1¹⁰]</p> <p>2024 update: ongoing – process to document 2 years of discussions on communicating warnings and risk.</p>	REAP Risk Comms WG

¹⁰ State of Play Recommendation 5.1: “Harnessing the capacity of the Partnership’s Risk Communications Working Group to identify good practice and generate further guidance, tools and templates to strengthen this particular element of the EWEA value chain, as well as promoting lessons learned through the EW4A initiative.”