



Pathways2Resilience climate resilience strategy

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Purpose of this deliverable

The **primary purpose** of this deliverable is to provide clarity to regional stakeholders on the Strategy towards your journey to climate resilience.

The **secondary purpose** is for Pathways2Resilience to monitor and learn from your progress. Pathways2Resilience will monitor that you are complying with the terms of the subgrant agreement. Pathways2Resilience will learn from this data to improve the programme's frameworks, methodologies and tools – particularly towards increasing the effectiveness of the capacity building programme.

What is the scope of this deliverable?

This deliverable is intended to document mainly your outputs from Phase 2 and Phase 3 of the Regional Resilience Journey (excluding Task 3.3 related to implementation, which will be covered by the Action Plan).

Who is this deliverable for?

The **main audience** of this deliverable are the regional stakeholders, in order to inform and involve them on the climate resilience journey.

The **secondary audience** is the Pathways2Resilience consortium to inform programme delivery, monitoring, evaluation and learning.

How to complete this template

Structure

Deliverable templates are provided to Pathways2Resilience regions for guidance only. Regions are encouraged to adapt them to their own context and needs – including aligning with existing and relevant climate adaptation strategy documents relevant to your region.

Regions may choose to develop these documents in the local language and submit only an automatic translation to Pathways2Resilience's reporting team. Please review the translation before submission.

However, for monitoring and learning purposes, the Pathways2Resilience team requests that regions keep as much of the basic structure (headings and order) as possible.

This deliverable is divided into two main parts. The first part ‘What is the scope of this strategy?’ includes all the elements that describe the ‘what’ behind the strategy: its scope and ambition. The second part ‘How will this strategy be implemented?’ elaborates on the mechanisms and conditions required to put this strategy into practice.

If some sections cannot be completed (e.g. the corresponding task has been delayed), then feel free to remove them. Justification of your deliverable progress is not necessary here; it will be requested via the reporting questionnaire.

Sections and text **highlighted in yellow** are either instructions or additional information that should be deleted/excluded from the final deliverable. Please ensure the final deliverable doesn’t contain any highlighted text.

Length

It is recommended that this deliverable does not exceed 25 pages.

Terminology

In case of doubt, you can consult the definition of terms **marked in blue** in the [Pathways2Resilience glossary](#).

Continuous improvement

Note that this template is designed to be used as a ‘living document’ throughout the process. This means that sections may need to be refreshed or updated as you progress through your climate resilience journey.

Where relevant, please include hyperlinks to supporting documentation within the region.

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Abbreviations and acronyms

Acronym	Description
<i>Example: P2R</i>	Pathways2Resilience

Glossary

[Add definitions to any relevant term used in this document that would help the reader.]

Term	Short definition
<i>Example: Resilience maturity</i>	The level of development and preparedness a region or community has reached in terms of its ability to anticipate, prepare for, and respond to climate crises.

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1 Introduction

[Note: this section is the same as the baseline assessment and the climate resilience investment first plan, with additional sub-sections in the climate resilience action plan.]

1.1 Local profile

[Use this section to provide context and a general overview about your climate resilience journey, using the following sub-sections.]

Geographical scope

[Include here which administrative territories are covered (in the rest of the document referred to as “your region”).]

Thematic or sectoral scope

[Include here the motivation behind this strategic choice.]

Key demographic and socio-economic data

[Include here characteristics and challenges.]

Coordinating organisation

[Include here a description of the organisation(s) and/or department(s) coordinating the Pathways2Resilience work.]

Deliverable development process

[Include here information about the context of your participation in Pathways2Resilience that can be shared with external audiences, including motivation and short description of the work process for this deliverable. Shortly describe [participatory design](#) processes taken up to date to complete this document and associated outputs (e.g. [planning objectives](#), [systems mapping](#)).]

1.2 Priorities

[Outline here the key economic, environmental and social strategies and policy goals that will influence the development of your region for the next years. Outline also key spending priorities, capital investments and decisions in the next five years. Please include all applicable levels.]

Local level

...

Regional level

...

National level

...

EU level

...

Private sector

[If possible, include here actions taken by private sector actors with or without the support of the government.]

2 Vision

2.1 Co-created vision

[Describe the outcome of the **visioning** process with a clear timeframe and narrative, which is shared and resonates with a broad majority of regional stakeholders (Regional Resilience Journey Task 2.3.1). This should be a plausible, desirable future **scenario** for your region, with clear identified priorities which resonate across the **planning objectives**, guiding principles, **theory of change** and overall regional developmental priorities.]

2.1.1 Guiding principles

[List and describe the guiding principles that derive from your vision, why each of this principles is relevant to the region's strategy and how it is going to be used or implemented. Please indicate how these principles link to **just resilience** considerations in your region, and a **just transition** approach.]

2.1.2 Theory of change

[Indicate the high level **outcomes** that derive from your vision, as identified through the theory of change process (task 2.4.1).]

2.1.3 Future scenario(s)

[Describe shortly which future scenario(s) emerged and were eventually prioritised (Regional Resilience Journey Task 2.2.1).]

2.2 Participatory process

[In this section, we encourage you to establish the legitimacy of your strategy by demonstrating the broad **stakeholder** support and input gained through your **participatory design** process.]

Describe the stakeholder engagement process so far.

Include the number of in-person and online events organised; in particular, which stakeholder groups have been represented (and which ones have not) both quantitatively and qualitatively.

Include any permanent form of **stakeholder engagement** (e.g. online platform or office hours).

Indicate, additionally, the key insights and topics emerging from the process; particularly when tensions were identified between competing priorities and/or stakeholder groups.]

2.3 Local champions and ambassadors

[Include a list of signatories (individuals or groups) to the **co-created** vision, committed to contributing to your climate resilience journey at the time of submission of this document. For each, shortly indicate what is the scope of their commitment (participation, political or other type of support through knowledge sharing, resources, etc.).]

3 Climate resilience objectives

3.1 Planning objectives

[Indicate here the **planning objectives** covered by your climate resilience journey (particularly by the climate resilience strategy and investment plan) and how they contribute to the broader developmental goals of your region. Please include the following: **challenge statement**, primary objectives, secondary objectives.]

Challenge statement

[Include here the main problem you want to tackle, its context and impacts, its root causes, and your ideal outcome.]

Primary adaptation objectives

[Include here objectives that directly address climate risks, their associated performance metrics as identified through the Regional Resilience Journey Task 1.1.2, and the economic rationale, costs and benefits of objectives as identified through the Adaptation Investment Cycle Task 1.3.]

Secondary resilience objectives

[Include here an overview of additional objectives (e.g. job creation, public health, social well-being, economic development), their associated performance metrics as identified through the Regional Resilience Journey Task 1.1.2, and the economic rationale, costs and benefits of objectives as identified through the Adaptation Investment Cycle Task 1.3.]

3.2 Economic rationale

[Set out your region's economic rationale to undertake your climate resilience journey (e.g. delivering improvements in public services, providing social/public goods, improving the welfare efficiency of existing private sector markets, or achievement of social objectives considering ethical or distributional issues). Provide a summary of the existing economic and financial case for adaptation, including the extent of the adaptation deficit.]

PART 1

What is the scope of this strategy?



3.3 Just resilience considerations

[Outline here the key groups in your region who are disproportionately affected by climate change and/or adaptation options. Examples could include low-income communities, coastal communities, elderly population, women, or youth.]

Explain concisely how your strategy, action plan and investment plan will address these needs, including how these groups have been involved in the development of this document, and how the resources allocated for the strategy and action plan will be distributed and/or shouldered in an equal, fair, and just manner.]

4 Adaptation pathways

4.1 Main performance, assessment and evaluation criteria

[With reference to your strategic planning objectives, list the performance criteria used to measure the performance of your **adaptation options and pathways** in achieving these objectives. This includes criteria with which to measure the primary adaptation performance of adaptation options and pathways (assessment criteria) and the criteria by which to evaluate the performance of the options and pathways against your secondary resilience objectives (evaluation criteria).]

State also any key **boundary conditions** or constraints relating to these criteria, for example, acceptable performance thresholds which are to be achieved and maintained. Where the performance of your options and pathways have been assessed against a range of uncertain scenario conditions (e.g. climate, socioeconomic), include also which scenarios have been considered and why.]

Category	Criteria	Specific indicator(s)	Boundary conditions	Scenario and reasons (if applicable)
E.g. primary or secondary				

4.2 List of adaptation options, their characteristics and performance

[Include here a table listing all options that feature in at least one of your pathways. This should include a brief description of the option, whether it is to be implemented in the short-, medium- or long term and its performance against the relevant assessment and evaluation criteria. Where possible, identify any adaptation limits relating to the options. This section can be completed following the Regional Resilience Journey Tasks 3.1.1. and 3.1.2.]

Option	Description	Implementation timeline	Performance against criteria	Adaptation limits

4.3 List of preferred adaptation pathways and their performance

[Include here a visualisation of the pathways map (for example a flowchart, a timeline, or a decision tree).]

[Include also a table listing the alternative adaptation pathways you have assessed and evaluated. This should reference the identifiable sequence of adaptation options comprising the pathway, its performance against the relevant assessment and evaluation criteria. Highlight the pathway(s) which have been selected as the preferred alternatives to follow.]

Pathway sequence	Performance against criteria	Adaptation limits	Selected (yes / no)	Mitigation of negative effects

For each of the preferred adaptation pathways, provide a summary narrative. This should include in text descriptions of the alternative pathways sequences, along with any relevant adaptation limits, opportunity points, or any other such key decision moments. Include also a short description of how the preferred pathways performed in the evaluation, along with any considerations that could mitigate any negative effects. This section can be completed following Regional Resilience Journey Tasks 3.2.1 and 3.2.2.]

5 Innovation portfolio

5.1 Objectives and alignment with pathways

[Indicate what is the scope, key objectives of your innovation portfolio development, and how and where it aligns with the climate adaptation pathways mentioned above. Explain how your innovation portfolio supports your vision.]

5.2 Portfolio composition

[Indicate what are the innovations that are going to be supported by your innovation portfolio, if available.]

[Indicate the process defined to identify and select innovation actions to constitute your innovation portfolio. Include involved stakeholders, selection process and criteria to assess innovations, and how to structure the portfolio.]

6 Regional capacity

6.1 Resilience Maturity Curve

[Indicate which areas of the [Resilience Maturity Curve \(RMC\)](#) have been identified as critical to improve in order to implement the strategy.]

6.2 Role of key enabling conditions

[Describe how the region will make use of each of the following [key enabling conditions \(KECs\)](#) for the implementation for the strategy. Indicate also which gaps must be addressed for a given KEC in order to implement the strategy. Note: the KEC on governance and finance are not included in this list, as they are covered in part 2 of this deliverable.]

Knowledge and data	
Role in implementation	
Gaps	

Capabilities and skills	
Role in implementation	
Gaps	

Behavioural change	
Role in implementation	
Gaps	

Experimentation, strategic learning and reflective adjustment	
Role in implementation	
Gaps	

PART 2

How will this strategy be implemented?



7 Governance

7.1 Strategy implementation governance

[Describe how this strategy is going to be implemented in the context of multi-level governance, including who are the main institutions, organisations and/or stakeholders responsible of the implementation of the strategy, and relevant horizontal and vertical coordination required.]

7.1.1 Governance of the innovation portfolio

[Indicate here who are the main agencies and stakeholders involved in the innovation portfolio implementation, their different policy mandates and goals, how they intend to work together in the portfolio implementation, mechanisms, incentives and structures for collaboration, process of alignment and learning, and what are the common and specific roles and responsibilities.]

7.2 Strategy integration

[Describe how will this strategy interact with the existing governance setup, i.e. existing strategies, policies, processes, actors, for all relevant levels (local, regional, national, EU); what could be potential enablers, synergies, as well as barriers and how to address them.]

7.3 Long-term governance

[Describe the steps that your region can undertake in the short term (1-5 years) to prepare the conditions for longer-term sustenance and adaptation of this strategy, ensuring the future ownership of this strategy, and that its goals, priorities, strategies choices and implementation mechanisms are updated and adapted in the future (5 years or later).]

Short-term action (next 1-5 years)	Update and adjustment actions (next 5 years+)

8 Monitoring, evaluation and learning (MEL)

[Indicate how will you monitor the implementation of this strategy with reference to the visioning process outlined in section 2. Please use the following paragraphs: planning objectives, guidance principles, outcomes.]

Planning objectives

[List here the monitoring approach and the performance metrics related to the revised planning objectives set out in section 2.2]

Guidance principles

[List here the monitoring approach and the performance metrics related to the guiding principles you have set out in section 2.1.1.]

Outcomes

[Insert here your desired high-level outcomes as defined in the theory of change in section 2.1.2., your monitoring approach and the related performance metrics.]

8.1 Data collection

[Indicate your data collection strategy, including the types of data, frequency of collection, and any partnerships or tools you plan to use to ensure accuracy and reliability.]

8.2 Learning

[Explain here the process by which these evaluation results will feed into the strategy's implementation and governance. This should include how findings will inform decision making, any feedback loops that allow for adjustments to be made, and the role of key stakeholders in reviewing and acting on the evaluation outcomes.]

9 Stakeholder engagement

9.1 Strategy

[Describe what is the approach or philosophy that will guide your stakeholder engagement processes, including governance mechanisms as well as tools available to implement this strategy. In particular, indicate how regional stakeholders will be able to participate in the monitoring and evaluation of the strategy.]

If the tools / policy mechanisms are not present at the moment, please indicate how you plan to develop them.

Please also clearly indicate how you plan to include vulnerable groups in your strategy implementation process.]

10 **[Optional]** Finance

[Consider including a summary from the Investment Plan, including the costs of extreme weather to date, existing planned investments in adaptation, existing and planned sources and instruments, and the main investment strategies, costs and expenditures as well as finance gaps and enabling conditions.]

11 Next steps

[Indicate here the current gaps and implications of this document, for your climate resilience journey and overall regional development. Also include any planned reviews or updates.]