

“What Can We Learn From Islands and How Is it Relevant Elsewhere?”

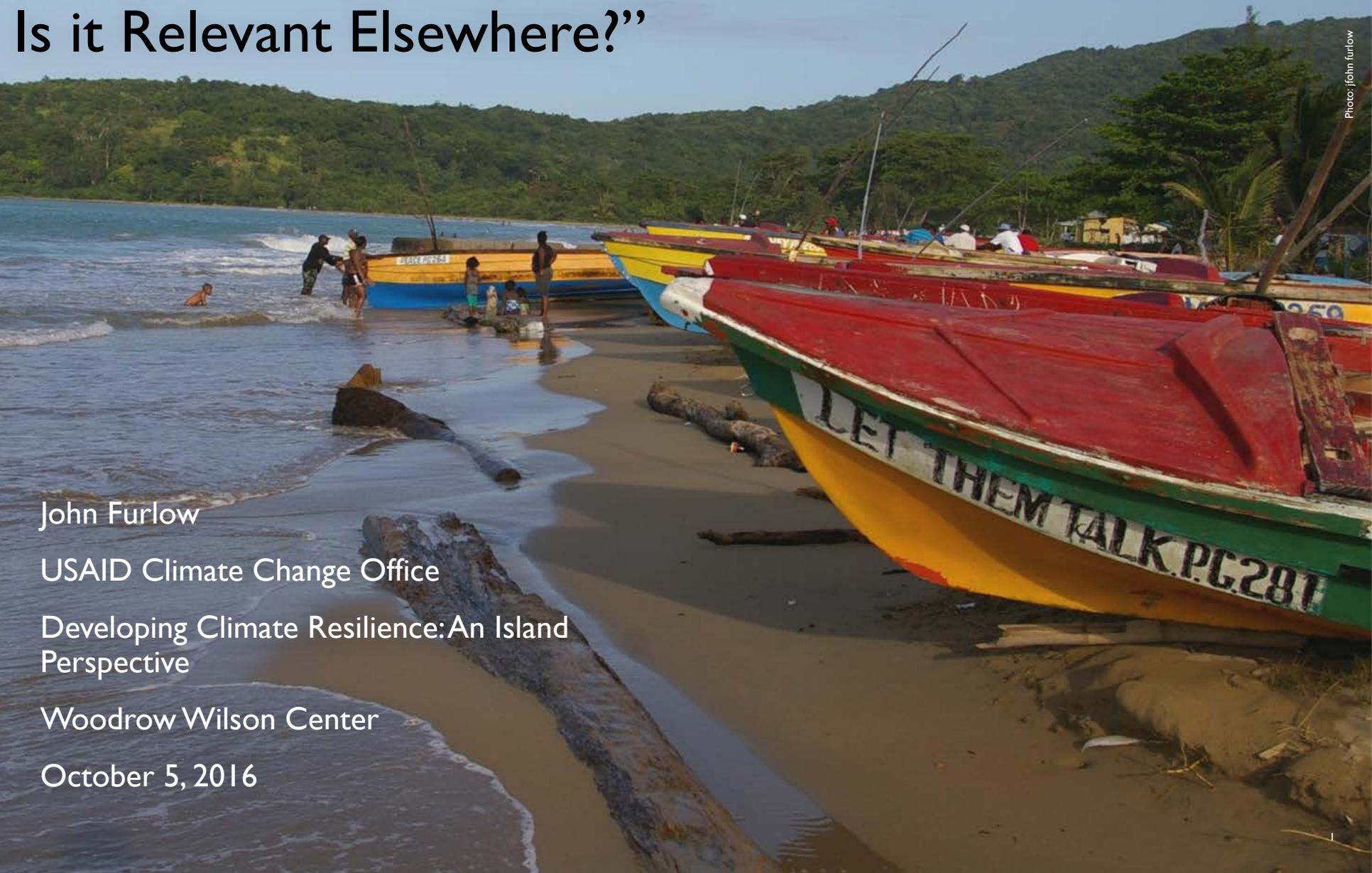


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Developing Climate Resilience: An Island Perspective

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Lessons from E. Caribbean

- Take a systemic view of needs
- Community awareness
- Decision maker awareness
- Improve information access and use
- Train the next generation of decision makers
- Test measures and scale up



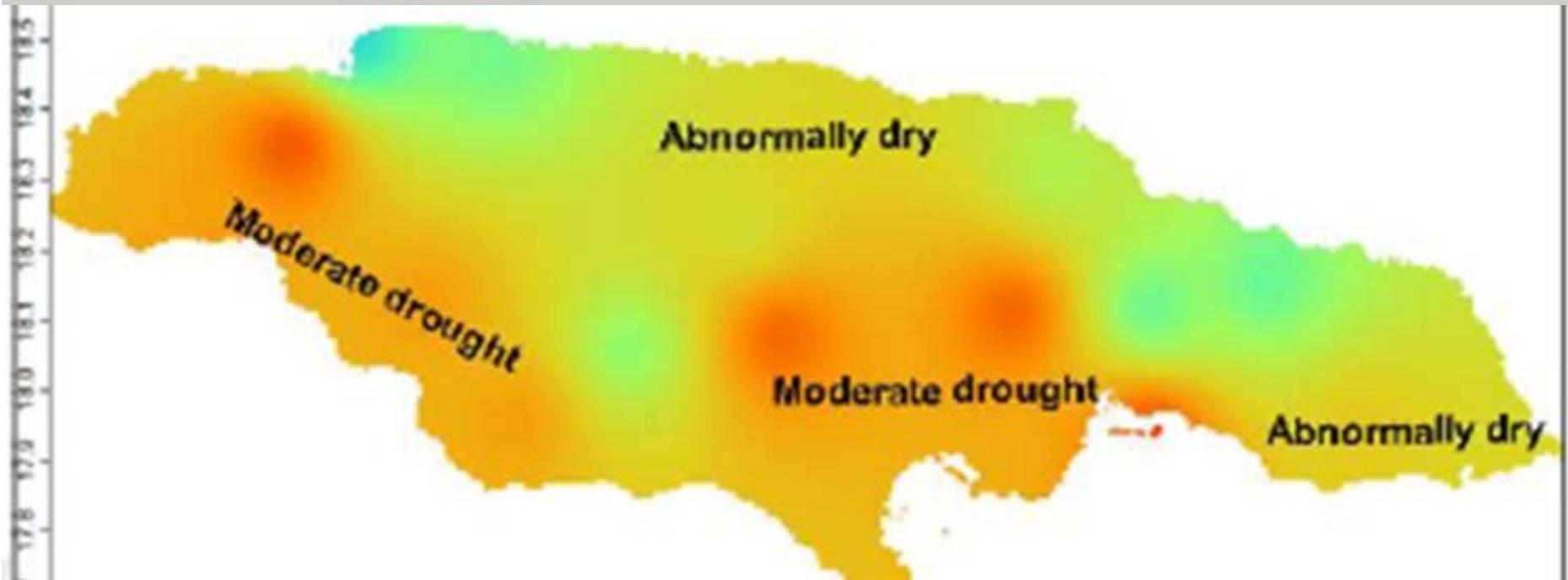
Lessons from Jamaica's NAP Process

- Policy framework for mainstreaming adaptation into other ministries' strategies
- No longer a single policy – Climate woven into 12 Sector Policies owned by sector ministries
 - Established Climate Change Focal Points in 26 ministries and departments
- No longer the responsibility of just one ministry
- Addresses both adaptation and mitigation
- Focus on multidisciplinary approaches
- Focus on science and information for decision making



Motivation for Tool and Valuation Study

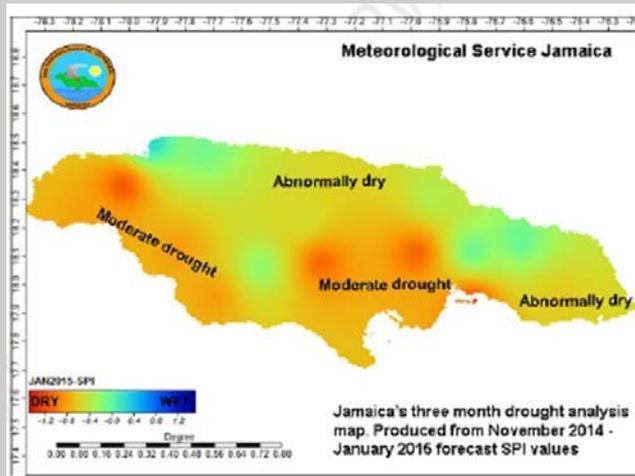
- As part of national adaptation planning process, identified lack of information as impediment to adaptation
- Drought identified as biggest challenge for farmers -- effect on agriculture and economy have been devastating
 - Reported 30% decline in ag production during 2013-2014 & U.S. \$1 Billion loss to the nation's economy



Drought Warning: from Tool to Service

- “Drought tool”
 - SPI to establish conditions based on previous 3 months
 - Climate Predictability Tool (CPT) offers forecast of next 3 months
- Service makes information understandable and useable to farmers

Drought Forecast



Farmer Forums



Information Dissemination

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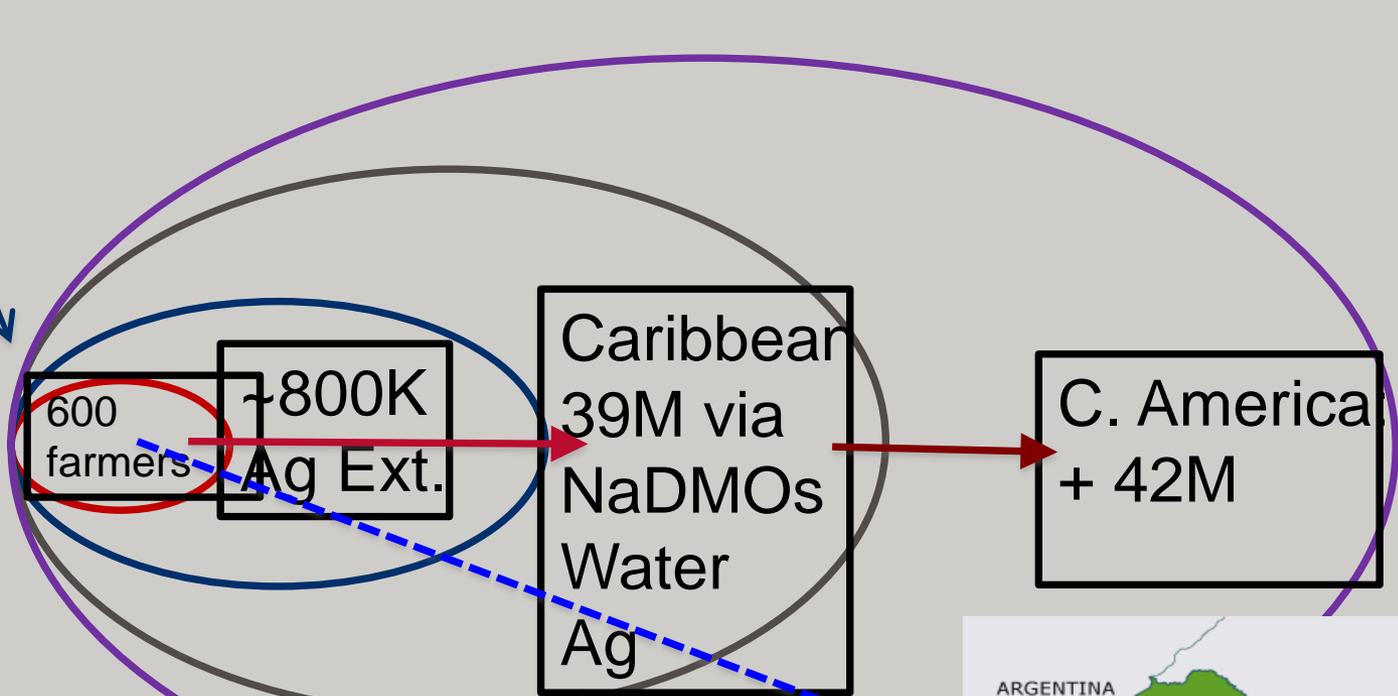
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Extending our Reach:

Jamaica Drought Monitoring/Forecast Tool





NAP Global Network

Coordinating Climate-Resilient Development

- **Established** in December, 2014 – Lima
- **Why?** Growing importance of NAP; more bilateral agencies supporting NAP; need for more technical discussions
- **Secretariat:** IISD
- **Initial support** from Germany and the US



Network's Niche

The **goal** of the NAP Global Network is to enhance bilateral support for NAP processes and adaptation action in developing countries.

The Network aims to **add value** by:

- Focusing on the role of **bilateral support**
- Emphasizing the importance of **coordination**
- Providing a space for detailed, technical discussions and **sustained peer learning—**
and publishing and disseminating learning
and results



Thank You

