

Adaptation and Resilience:

Business Models and the Climate Causality Framework



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Agenda

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

- → Introduction
- → Risk, resilience & adaptation
- → The Climate Causality Framework
- → Adaptation & resilience (A&R) business models
- → Examples of A&R businesses
- → Key learning

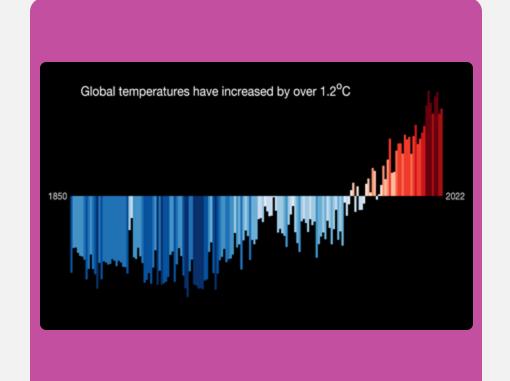


Introduction



The world is warming rapidly

- Currently at 1.2°C above pre-industrial global temperatures
- → Individual months in 2023 shattered previous records
- → 2023 set to be warmest year on record, exceeding 1.5°C
- → We will consistently breach this threshold by 2030s





Warming is making many climate hazards worse









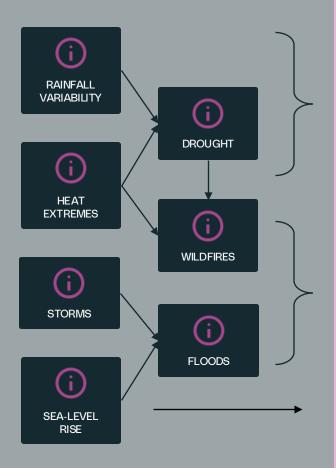








Intensifying hazards



Primary impacts

- Water stress + demand
- Heat stress (plants, animals, people, infrastructure)
- Agricultural yields
- Pests & diseases

- Forest & ecosystem loss
- Damage to agriculture
- · Damage to infrastructure
- Transport, comms disruption
- Shifts in ecological ranges
- · Loss of settlements

Erosion, inundation, salinization

Secondary impacts

Increased costs

Income & livelihoods

Supply chain disruption

Food prices & insecurity

Increased poverty

Worsening health

Migration

Insecurity



High temperatures exacerbated by climate change made 2022 Northern Hemisphere droughts more likely





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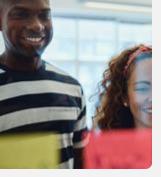
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EXERCISE 1 – Hazards & impacts

- → Identify one or more key climate hazards that affect the sector, context, or geographical area in which you live and work – are these changing?
- What impacts are associated with these hazards what problems do they cause for your sector, business, community, or other stakeholders?
- → Participants to have 3 minutes to record some ideas



EXERCISE 1 – Hazards & Impacts

Hazards	Impacts
Increased rainfall variability	Shifts & unpredictability in start & end of rainy seasons, increased risk of dry periods within growing season – seed & crop losses
Higher temperatures & lower rainfall	Increased evapotranspiration, reduced soil moisture – reduced productivity
More intense rainfall	Crop damage, soil erosion, flooding, infrastructure damage



Risk, Resilience & Adaptation

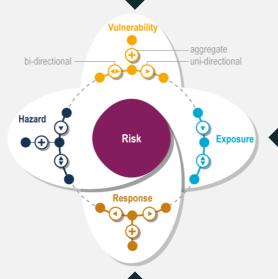
Understanding key terms and concepts & their relevance in terms of business



Worsening impacts mean increasing risks

Vulnerability: Susceptibility of population/system to harm when exposed to a hazard

Hazard: Potentially harmful manifestation of climate change (shock, stress, extreme, trend), reduced through mitigation



Exposure: Number of people, amount/value of assets in an area affected by a hazard

Response: Actions taken to address hazards that might reduce or inadvertently increase risk – responses themselves can be/create risks

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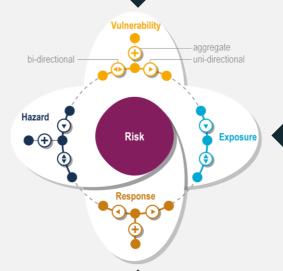
Reducing climate change risks

Key adaptation & resilience building opportunities for businesses Reduce vulnerability - Improve ability of people, organisations, systems, to cope with & adapt to climate change impacts

Reduce hazards

Reduce emissions (mitigation)

Reduce likelihood & magnitude of floods, landslides, etc. through local physical interventions



Reduce exposure

Relocate settlements, people, infrastructure, economic activity - away from high-risk areas – winners & losers, can increase risk for some

Better responses - Ensure short-term responses provide foundation for effective, sustainable & equitable adaptation in longer-term

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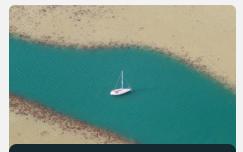
Different ways of reducing risk



Mitigation

Avoiding and reducing emissions of heat-trapping greenhouse gases & enhancing sinks to sequester & store them.

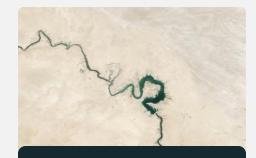
Addresses root causes of climate change & reduce hazards



Resilience

Capacity of people or systems to anticipate & absorb shocks & recover from their impacts.

Reduce vulnerability to a range of often familiar hazards.



Adaptation

Adjustments that enable populations and systems to survive or function under new environmental or climatic conditions.

Reduce vulnerability to new & emerging hazards.



Relationship between Adaptation & Resilience

Resilience building activities generally focuses on existing hazards and risks, albeit ones that are most likely evolving due to climate change; often pays little or no attention to specific future risks

BUT

Resilience to climate change necessarily involves adaptation to new hazards & risks

Resilience as capacity to anticipate hazards, absorb & recover from their impacts, adapt to new hazards & risks, and transform where existing systems and behaviours are unviable under climate change

Important to specify risk, vulnerability, resilience and/or adaptation *of whom* (population or system), *to what* (hazard), in relation *to what impacts*, and over *what timescale(s)*?



Avoiding Maladapation

Maladaptation: actions that may lead to increased risk of adverse climate-related outcomes, including via increased greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, increased or shifted vulnerability to climate change, more inequitable outcomes, or diminished welfare, now or in the future (IPCC 2022: 2915)

Avoid actions that displace risks, create new risks, increase the vulnerability of other (non-target) populations & systems, and deliver short-term benefits at expense of longer-term sustainability

→ Consideration of maladaptation addresses 'response' element of risk

E.g., irrigation to address increasing water scarcity that is not sustainable and depletes groundwater reserve to point where agricultural systems collapse



EXERCISE 2 – Hazards & Impacts

Hazards	Impacts	Adaptation/resilience approaches
Increased rainfall variability	Shifts & unpredictability in start & end of rainy seasons, increased risk of dry periods within growing season – seed & crop losses	
Higher temperatures & lower rainfall	Increased evapotranspiration, reduced soil moisture – reduced productivity	
More intense rainfall	Crop damage, soil erosion, flooding, infrastructure damage	

- → What approach(es) might we use to address the risks identified in Exercise 1?
- → Are there any risks of maladaptation? If so, how would you address them?



EXERCISE 2 – Hazards & Impacts

Hazards	Impacts	Adaptation/resilience approaches
Increased rainfall variability	Shifts & unpredictability in start & end of rainy seasons, increased risk of dry periods within growing season – seed & crop losses	Resilience of existing agricultural systems through forecasts, insurance, water storage, irrigation Adaptation – drought tolerant & short-season crops
Higher temperatures & lower rainfall	Increased evapotranspiration, reduced soil moisture – reduced productivity	Resilience through systematic irrigation Adaptation – drought tolerant crops
More intense rainfall	Crop damage, soil erosion, flooding, infrastructure damage	Resilience - flood early warning systems, resilient infrastructure, land cover Adaptation - relocating infrastructure & activities away from high-risk areas

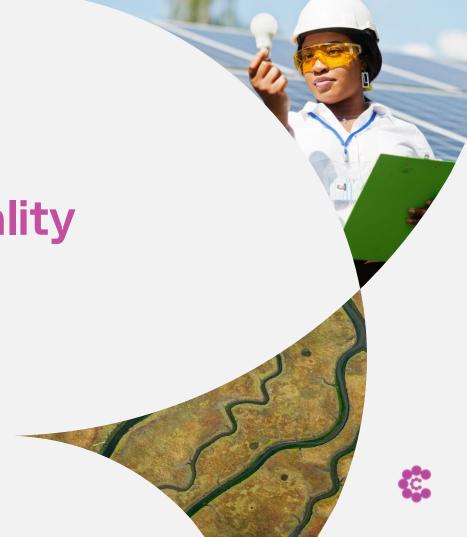
Maladaptation risks: sustainability of irrigation under scenarios of lower rainfall, higher temperatures and declining groundwater; risks livelihoods, food security & local economies reliant ay become reliant on unsustainable irrigated agriculture that is liable to future collapse.

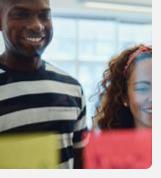
Potentially reduced by ensuring irrigation is highly efficient, assessing conditions under which it fails, & regularly monitoring groundwater resources.





From impacts to opportunities

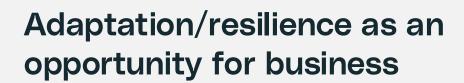












- → Intensifying climate change hazards and impacts pose severe risks to ecosystems, livelihoods, food production, water security, infrastructure, health, economy
- These risks need to be addressed through resilience & adaptation
- → This means opportunities for the private sector to drive adaptation innovation, often with support from donors & multilateral climate funds that recognize limits of conventional projects
- → Taking these opportunities requires understanding of what is needed to address impacts





Climate Causality Framework – Agriculture Example

Climate Hazards

Delayed onset or false start to rainy season

Extreme rainfall

Shift to hotter, drier conditions

Impacts of Hazards

- Seed lost after planting
- Crops lost once germinated
- Destruction of crops
- Loss of livestock due to flooding
- Reduced productivity of existing crops
- Increased likelihood of crop losses

Adaptation/resilience Innovations

Climate information services

Short- to medium-term forecasts to inform agricultural scheduling (e.g. planting dates)

Targeted resilience

Weather-based insurance

Crop & livestock insurance- payments based on either losses or occurrence of specific climate extremes

Targeted resilience

Environmental management
Physical climate risk management
(soil health management tools to
reduce erosion, flood impacts)

General resilience

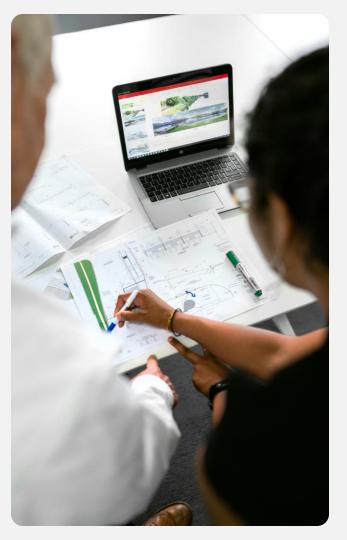
New crop varieties & types

Drought-tolerant, shorter growing crop varieties

Reactive/incremental adaptation

Entirely new crops
Anticipatory/transformational adaptation





Products and Services for Adaption & Resilience

- → Products tangible items that a company offers to consumers / physical items that a company can make for someone; ownership rights can be established, might be traded or exchanged
- → Services intangible item arising from the output of one or more individuals that is consumed at the same time it is produced; provided or performed for another person or organisation
- → Climate intelligence most commonly a subset of services relating to data & information that enable the identification, monitoring & assessment of climate hazards, impacts, risks & adaptation options



Products

Services

Infrastructure

Solar pumps

Drought resilient seed

Drip irrigation systems

Climate bulletins updates

Early warning systems

Data platforms + software subscriptions

Soil/crop monitoring systems + advisory services

Seed + insurance packages

Climate modelling/projections

Climate scenarios

Climate change adaptation plans

Weather-based insurance

Agricultural advice

Water monitoring

Linking producers with markets

Capacity building

Training

SMS forecasts

Climate advisory services

Early warnings from 3rd parties

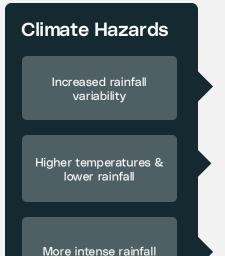
Climate intelligence





Example - Framework application, Kenya

MajiAgri – Water supply & irrigation infrastructure













What is an A&R business model?

A&R business models are about more than 'going green'

- Not focused on reducing emissions and not linked to carbon markets
- → However, may generate mitigation 'co-benefits' that can help leverage finance
- Instead, focus is on addressing hazards, risks and impacts

Adaptation business models help people and organizations survive and navigate climate change by reducing the risks and costs associated with climate change hazards and impacts.





An A&R business is a company providing technologies, products, or services that:

Address systemic barriers to adaptation by strengthening users' ability to understand and respond to climate change risks and impacts (enabling adaptation)

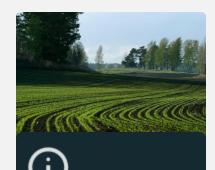
AND/ OR

Prevent or reduce physical climate risk or impacts on assets, economic activities, people, or nature (direct adaptation)



Different ways of reducing risk

When it increases the following resilience capacities of its clients



Anticipatory

E.g. forecasts for planning, agricultural scheduling.





Absorptive

E.g. drainage for better floodwater accommodation





Adaptive

E.g. water storage or irrigation systems for increased drought





Transformative

E.g. new production systems for novel climatic conditions

Resilience to existing hazards & risks

Resilience & adaptation to new/evolving hazards & risks





When is a Business an A&R Innovation Business?

When it reduces the impacts and costs of climate hazards

- → What climate hazards is it helping customers adapt to?
- → What costs & impacts (associated with these hazards) is it reducing?
- → How is it reducing these costs and impacts (through what mechanisms)?
- → If it is enabling adaptation rather than targeting direct adaptation, how is it doing this and which hazards, costs & impacts are most relevant?

Refer to the Climate Causality Framework as a rationale for the business model





Example - Framework application, Kenya

MajiAgri – Water supply & irrigation infrastructure

- → Social enterprise with goal of transforming rain-fed farming to irrigated agriculture
- → Water infrastructure (harvesting ponds, irrigation), training, agribusiness consultancy
- → Blends products and services; spans resilience & adaptation categories

Absorptive – irrigation allows farmers to absorb/cope with impacts of droughts, longer dry periods in the growing season & unpredictable rainfall

However, note risks of maladaptation if irrigations leads to adoption of more water-intensive crops in area with declining rainfall and water resources, including groundwater





Real world case studies





AGROSMART (BRAZIL)

Capacities supported: Anticipatory, absorptive Provides: services/Climate intelligence

Data services for agriculture

Data platforms and apps for agricultural & climate intelligence

- → "brings together the main data, information and indications for your crop"
- Integrates forecasts, custom alerts, sensor telemetry, digital field notebook, irrigation management, reports
- → Rainfall & vegetation maps, spraying scheduling (wind), farm-level forecasts
- → Targeted resilience across 9 countries in Latin America, 48 million ha, >100,000 farmers

Climate Hazard Impacts of Hazard Adaptation Innovations Multiple / variability Multiple / crop losses, increased costs Monitoring, forecasting, alerts to guide agricultural planning & scheduling, planting, etc.



INTEGEMS (Sierra Leone)

Capacities supported: Anticipatory, absorptive Provides: services

Integrated geo-information and environmental management services

Environmental & climate information services

- → Hazard and risk mapping, climate information disaster management, early warning systems, data collection
- Provision of expertise through consultancy activities
- → Multiple partners & clients, including government departments & development agencies
- → E.g. national M&E systems, EIAs, development of data dashboards,

Multiple climate & env. hazards

Climate Hazard

Impacts of Hazard

Multiple disasters & related impacts

Adaptation Innovations

Multi-hazard profiling to inform disaster preparedness & management





TOSHEKA TEXTILES (Makueni, Kenya)

Capacities supported: Transformative Provides: products & services

Social enterprise for silk production & garment manufacture

Contract farming of silk via social entreprise

- Tosheka provides materials for rearing eri moth, whose cocoons provide raw material for silk
- Caterpillars feed on native castor plant, which is more resilient to increasingly frequent drought and pests than cotton & maize, thus providing the basis for livelihoods that are better adapted to emerging climatic conditions
- Tosheka markets textiles from silk nationally & internationally, while growers enjoy reliable, climate resilient income

Climate Hazard

Increased aridity, pests

Impacts of Hazard

Failure of cotton & maize crops

Adaptation Innovations

Shift to alternative materials (Tosheka) & income stream (growers) based on silk production



Adaptation & resilience

Customers & business modelling



Types of Customers

01

Individuals/ Households

Affordable products, services – small-scale equipment, insurance, seeds, SMS forecasts, food products, etc.

02

Other Bodies

Multilateral orgs, NGOs, research bodies, projects

Research, data, engagement, implementation, materials, equipment, aggregation (microinsurance, contract farming, etc.)

03

Other businesses

Consultancy services, data, materials, equipment, supply chains, market access, processing

04

Governments

Consultancy, data, implementation, Public goods (early warnings, utilities infrastructure & services, etc.)





Alis Algae Innovation Solutions (Mexico)

Provides: Products to Businesses
Capacity: absorptive, adaptive

Precision monitoring for biodiversity

Water treatment for reuse

- → Microalgae for removal of nitrogen & phosphorus from water bodies & industrial/wastewater
- → Low cost, circular, no chemical inputs, odourless; produce water for irrigation feedstock
- → Microalgae extracts for food and cosmetics

Climate Hazard Water scarcity

Impacts of Hazard

Water stress, ecological impacts, threats to supply

Adaptation Innovations

Greater recycling for reuse of water in buildings





Gentian (UK)

Provides: Services to Private sector/government

Capacity: Adaptive

Environmental bioremediation

Machine learning & remote sensing to

- → Map habitat types using Al algorithms + satellite data to measure & predict biodiversity based on vegetation
- → Assess urban green infrastructure for adaptation & identify buildings for green roof retrofitting
- → Biodiversity baselines & tracking land use change, e.g. for compliance with biodiversity legislation
- → Provides services for developers, landowners, municipalities, real estate agents, large corporations
- → Reduce costs, increase transparency & scalability of assessments, which are done remotely

Climate Hazard

Range shifts + local stresses

Impacts of Hazard

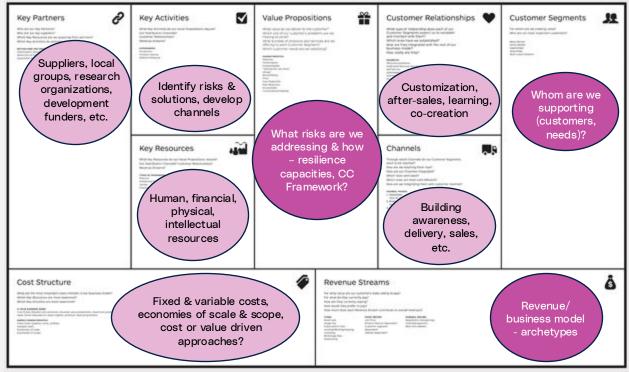
Habitat loss, species decline, biodiversity loss

Adaptation Innovations

(Targeting & tracking) of urban green spaces & biodiversity hotspot preservation



Adaptation & Resilience in the Business **Model Canvas**





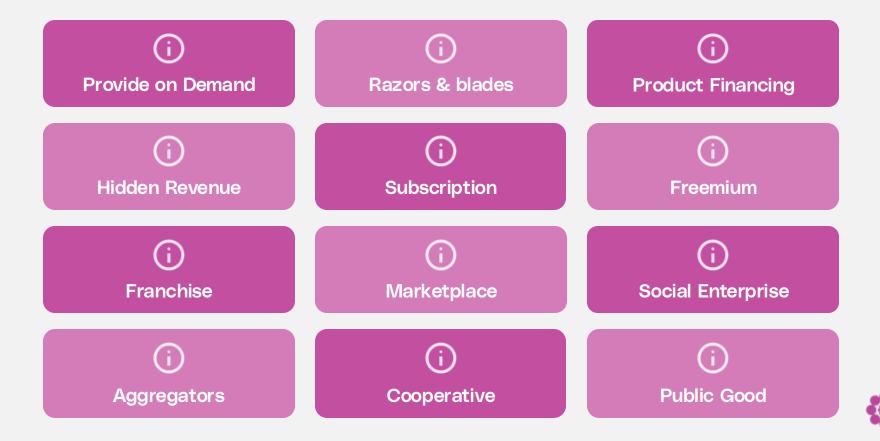
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Business Model Archetypes



Some Common Archetypes (1)

01

Provide on demand

Produce products or services continuously or when demand is expressed & extract value from direct sales.

Equipment, seeds, advisory services, etc.

02

Razors & blades

Sell core product at low price & extract value from sale of non-durable parts for use with core product.

Equipment with non-durable components or that requires servicing.

03

Product financing

Lease or rent a product – part of lease or rent is a fee, part down-payment.

Equipment, microfinance bundling.

04

Hidden revenue

Main revenue from 3rd party that cross-finances provision of product or service to potential buyers.

Public goods paid for by government, donors, MDBs, provided by business.





RENAR (MEXICO)

Nature based solutions for sustainable water management

Model: Provide on Demand

Capacity: Absorptive

Provides: Products & services

To: Companies, govts.

- → Adaptation & resilience needs addressed see above
- Customers: large-scale interventions companies, govts.; smaller communities, households
- → Revenue model: direct selling through provide on demand model
- → Engagement: private sector, local govt., communities in areas subject to interventions
- → Evolving needs: risks may change due to evolution of hazards, settlement, economic activities
- → Keeping pace: track hazards through climate data, maintain engagement with stakeholders

Climate Hazard

Warming, rainfall variability

Impacts of Hazard

Water scarcity, flood & related risks

Adaptation Innovations

- Forest restoration, wetland construction, landscape management (services)
- Rooftop rainwater harvesting systems (products)
- Gabions to prevent riverbank erosion (products)



Some Common Archetypes (2)

01

Subscription

Recurring revenue via a regular fee for products or services.

Weather & climate forecasts, advisories

02

Freemium

Offer basic product or service at no cost and charge a premium for more advanced features.

Equipment with non-durable components or that requires servicing

03

Franchise

Franchisee pays fee to use larger business' (franchisor's) trade name & operating system.

Resilience products, consultancies.

04

Marketplace

Physical or virtual space (or platform) where buyers meet sellers.

Adaptation marketplaces linking providers & customers.





Water Offsets (UK)

Greywater recycling

Model: Provide on demand+
Capacity: Absorptive, adaptive
Provides: Products, services
To: Households, businesses

Water Neutrality software & hardware

- Water reduction, reuse and offsetting, using technology such as Hydraloop with complementary monitoring
- → Efficiency, metering, recycling, offsetting within same catchment (water bank)
- → Trialled in UK and deploying in Monterrey & São Paulo to reduce water consumption by 25%



Some Common Archetypes (3)

01

Social enterprise

Sell products and/or services to serve a useful social purpose, e.g. provide employment, livelihoods.

Products derived from resilient & sustainable materials

02

Aggregators

Brining together small producers to increase efficiency, access to markets, services, etc.

Micro-finance, smallholder insurance, contract farming.

03

Cooperative

Business owned & operated by its members (individuals, households, businesses, etc.)

Resilient production with profits invested in adaptation.

04

Public goods

Business provides public goods that are paid for by government or other source (cf hidden revenue).

Early warning systems, information gathering, extension services.





Seed Bombs Tanzania

Supply chain traceability

Model: Public good

Capacity: Absorptive, adaptive

Provides: Products & services

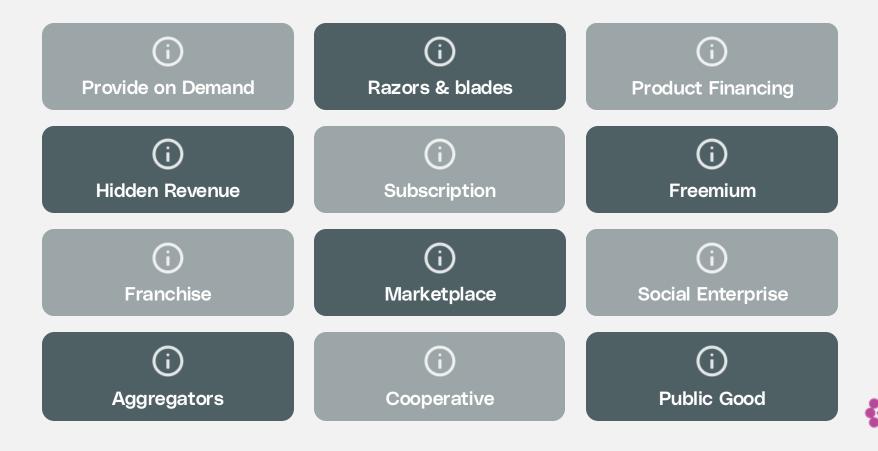
To: Communities

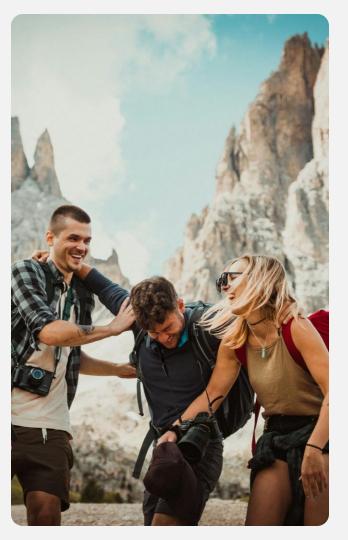
Training students in conservation & reforestation via seed bombs

- → Training programs targeting teachers & students who then distribute tree seeds via Seed Bombs
- → Leverages indigenous knowledge & community involvement
- → Climate change mitigation via carbon sequestration in new tree cover
- Supported by various partners including national & local government, private sector, non-profits



Business Model Archetypes





Business Impact

At Climate KIC, we use the Adaptation and Resilience assessment tool to empower start-ups to articulate the impact of their adaptation innovations with confidence, equipping them with a foundational set of key performance indicators (KPIs). It offers a tailored approach to gathering both quantitative and qualitative data, transforming them into actionable insights.

- → People How many people are directly and indirectly impacted by your innovation?
- → Planet How many hectares of natural resource areas are being brought under climate-resilient management practices with or due to your innovation?
- → Economy What is the value of physical assets your innovation makes more resilient to the effects of climate change?



Adaptation & Resilience Report













Key Learnings

- → Climate change is intensifying climate hazards & impacts adaptation & resilience are key
- → Businesses can help reduce these impacts & the associated risks & costs by supporting the resilience capacities of their customers to anticipate, absorb, adapt & transform
- → Adaptation & resilience businesses can use the Climate Causality Framework to identify innovative products and services that enhance these capacities for their customers
- → Products & services can be delivered using a multitude of business model archetypes
- → All archetypes are relevant to adaptation & resilience, but some less common archetypes are especially relevant, e.g. for hard-to-reach customers & delivering public good
- → Businesses need to demonstrate impact how will they build resilience capacities?



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