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# A new environment strategy for Australian aid

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# Aid and the environment ...

... building resilience and sustaining growth

Signals a significant increase in environment-related support in the Asia-Pacific region

*To sustain economic growth and reduce poverty in the Asia-pacific region by improving the management of natural resources, increasing community resilience and better conserving natural heritage*



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# Investing ...

... where we can make a difference

- > Targeting environmental challenges that are limiting efforts to reduce poverty
- > Three main themes
  1. Climate change
  2. Water
  3. Environmental governance



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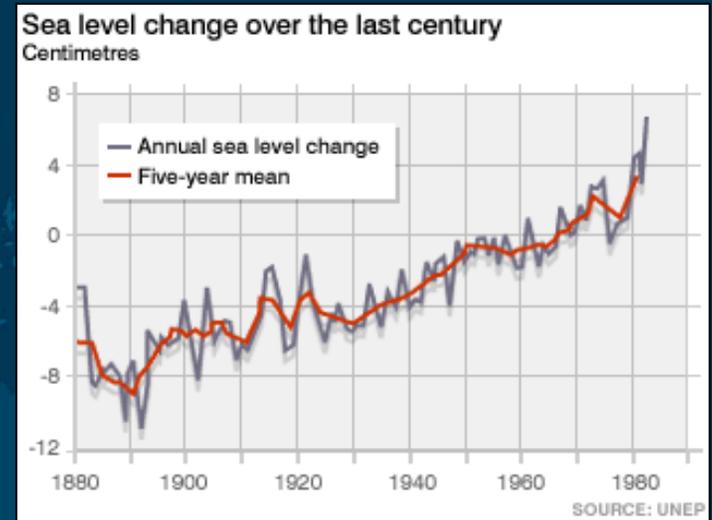
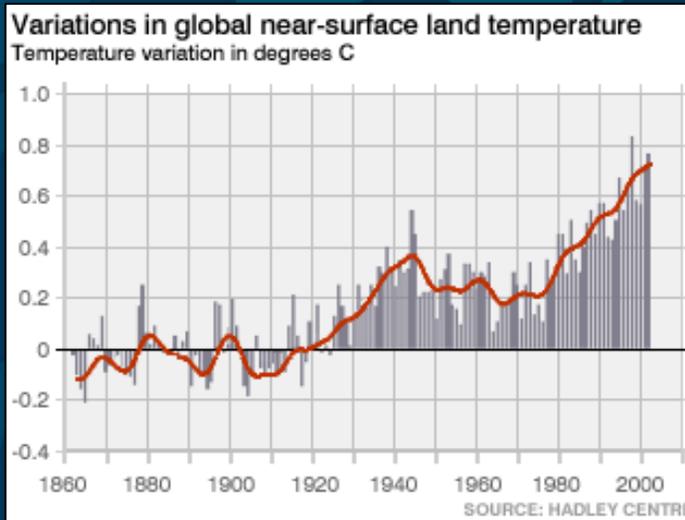
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# Delivering through partnerships

- > Linking Australian expertise with needs in region
- > Building new partnerships to tackle emerging problems
- > Working with success



# Mitigating and preparing for ... ... climate change





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# Better prepared

Getting better prepared in the most vulnerable areas

- > Understanding regional climate trends and local vulnerabilities
- > Adapting to and preparing for expected changes
- > Building resilience in vulnerable communities



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# Mitigating emissions in Asia

- > Reducing loss of forests
  - building sustainable forest livelihoods
  - providing incentives to stop deforestation and encourage reforestation
- > Building energy efficiency and promote clean energy technologies
- > Tackling barriers to adoption of clean energy options
- > Helping communities adapt and adopt affordable clean energy sources



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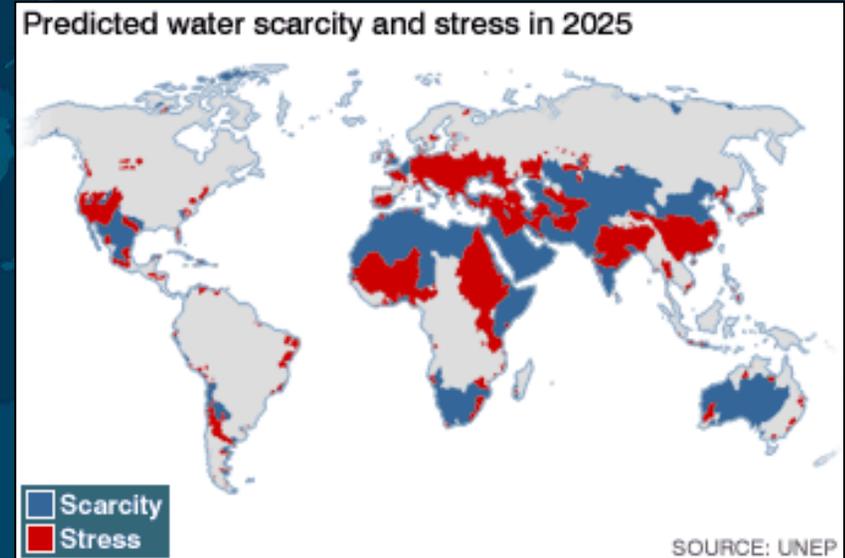
# Managing water better





# Managing water better

- > Improving access to safe water and sanitation
- > Building integrated approaches to water resources management





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# Building stronger responses

- > Building stronger institutions
- > Improving enabling mechanisms for environmental management





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# Managing for Safe Water ...

## ... *Field Guide 2007 LAUNCH*

- > Companion to the *safe water guide for the Australian aid program 2005*
- > Risk management approach to water supply for AusAID projects
- > Practical advice to water practitioners to plan and manage water supply systems

