

professionals to carry out its work. This is reinforced through our work with information technology and networking, including SIDSNET.

UNDP has taken note of the suggestions by delegations at COP5 of the need to improve and accelerate actions for sustained capacity building for the implementation of the Convention. UNDP views capacity building, as articulated by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, in the broader context of sustainable development. UNDP focuses its work on energy and forestry to make interventions in these areas effective instruments for sustainable development, including the mitigation of climate change and adaptation to it, paying special attention to the needs of small island states and least developed countries.

An important part of UNDP's work is to make climate change operational through its role as an implementing agency for the Global Environment Facility (GEF). UNDP/GEF's current climate change portfolio amounts to about \$450m, of which \$250m are GEF resources and the additional \$200m are mobilized to co-finance projects in the countries eligible under this convention.

In partnership with the World Energy Council and UN-DESA, UNDP has established the World Energy Assessment to improve the understanding