

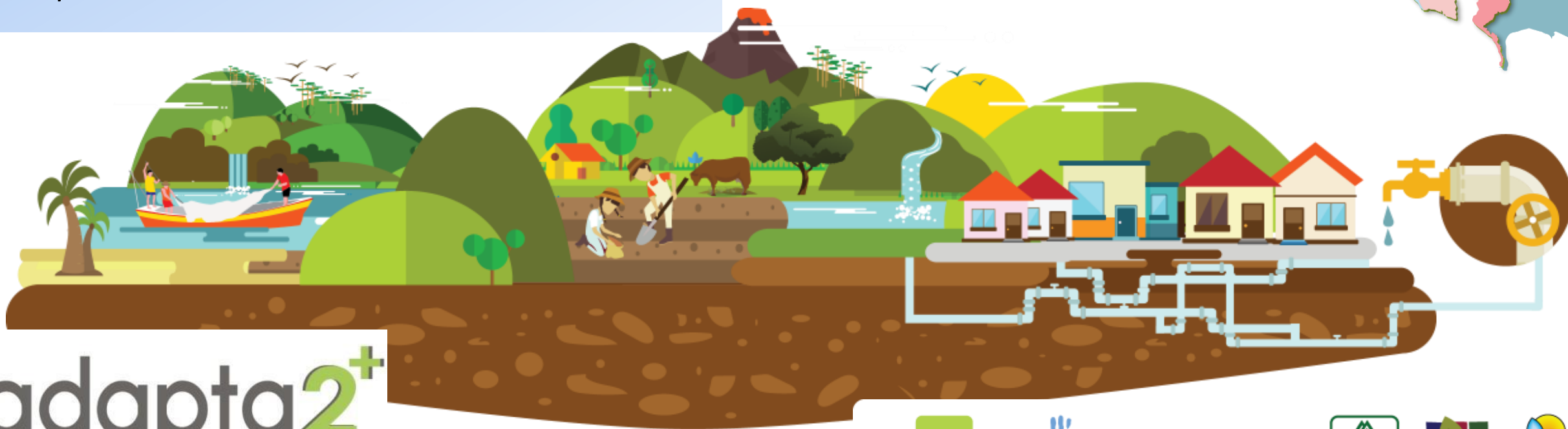
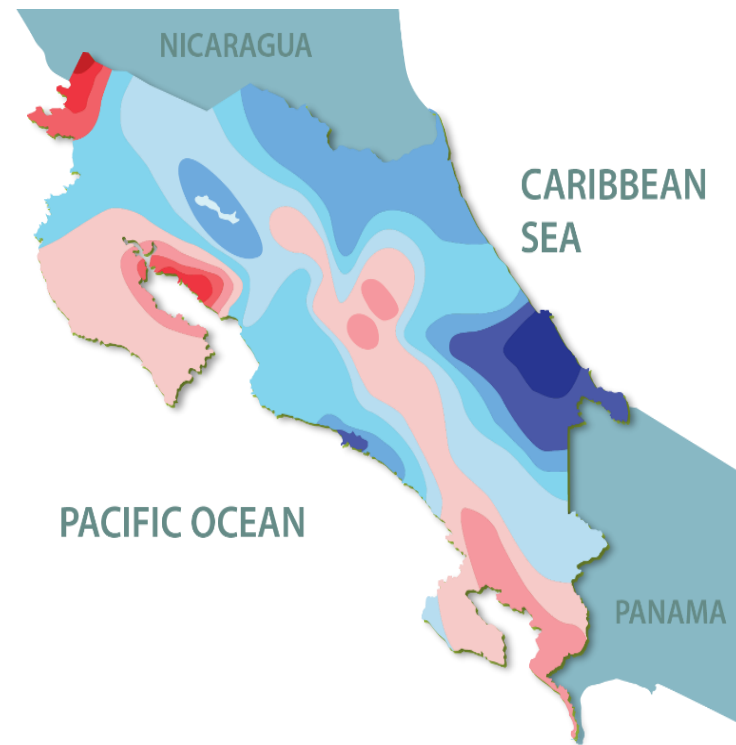
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Challenges, approach and lessons learned





Challenges and approach:

- Cultural background ... **need to unlearn!**
- No visibility to women's work at the farm level

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- ✓ Relevance of awareness activities
 - ✓ Build empathy
 - ✓ Adjust activities accordingly (flexibility to do so is very important)
 - ✓ Facilitate visibility!



Challenges and approach:

- Statistics and indicators: Do they show empowerment?

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- ✓ Improve numbers/measures
- ✓ Go beyond numbers!
- ✓ Understand needs
- ✓ Adjust activities accordingly (flexibility to do so is very important)



Lessons learned

- Relevance of awareness building activities
- Inclusive language matters (specially in Spanish)
- Relevance of appropriate guarantee schemes and financial education for facilitating access to credit



Lessons learned

- Numbers matter... improve numbers!

50%

Of Adapta2+ projects are lead by women

48%

Of Adapta2+ beneficiaries are women



Of these,

49%

heads of households

Lessons learned

Need to adapt activity planning:

- Give space to family participation,
- Include different subjects
- Understand particular needs (schedule, place, specific subjects, etc.)



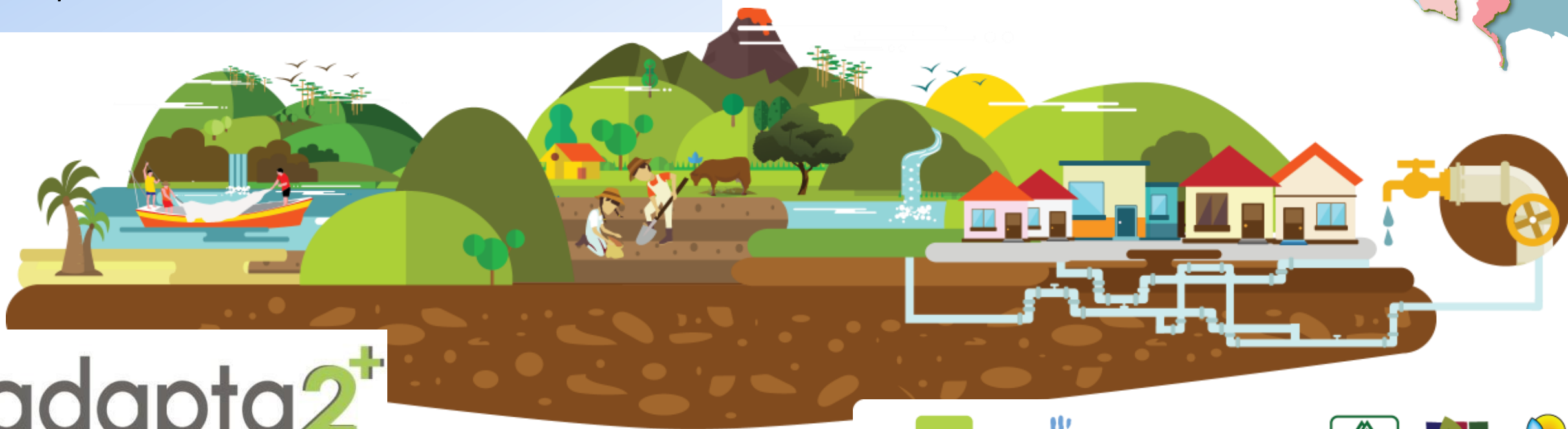
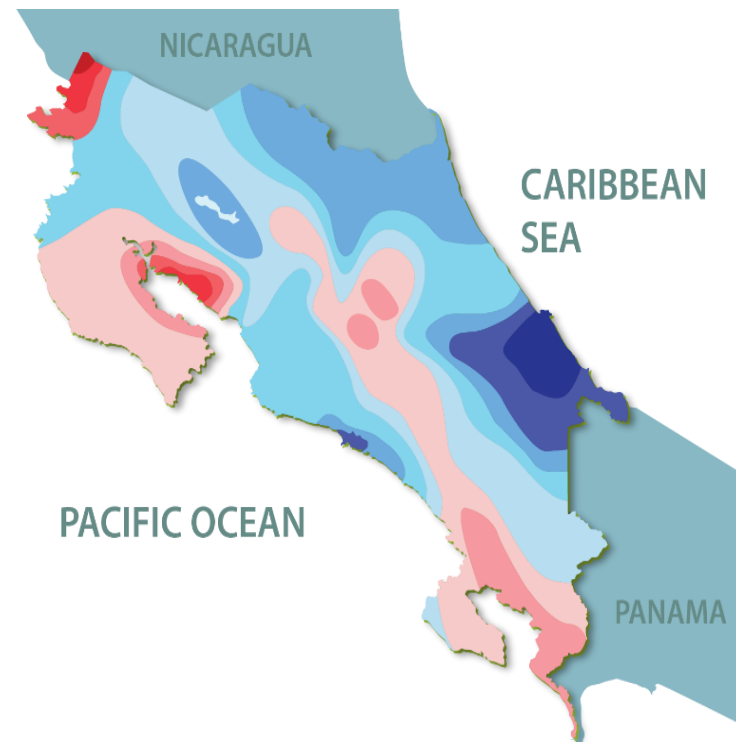
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