

Interactive comment on “Living with climate change: avoiding conflict through adaptation in Malawi” by H. Jørstad and C. Webersik

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Thank you very much for your invaluable comments. We have substantially revised the article with respect to your comments (Please see attached revised article including track changes for better readability).

We have now focused the article on adaptation and its limitations to give credit to the empirical material presented in the article. As suggested, we have changed the title of the article, to better reflect the purpose of the study. More references have been added where needed, in particular for sub-section 2.1. It is worth mentioning here that the works of Nicholson and McCusker have been useful in improving the article. As mentioned, we have included a methods part explaining the research approach and

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methods used, and we made better use of the empirical material. Also, the article now contains a scientific analysis on climate variability in the region using empirical evidence from local weather stations comparing it with local people's perceptions of the experienced changes. Finally, we added a section on local knowledge to illustrate how adaptation strategies can work for other vulnerable groups. Once again, we would like thank you for your insightful review.

To follow the changes, the revised article in track changes is attached.

Please also note the supplement to this comment:

<http://www.earth-syst-dynam-discuss.net/6/C1322/2016/esdd-6-C1322-2016-supplement.pdf>

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