

#### SCALING UP AND REPLICABILITY OF ADAPTATION FUND PROJECTS TO INCREASE CLIMATE RESILIENCE

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# Adaptation Fund at a Glance

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Mandate to fund **concrete adaptation projects with tangible results on the ground**, in most climate-vulnerable developing countries & communities



Pioneer & leader on innovative 'Direct Access' & 'Enhanced Direct Access' modalities

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As urgency of climate change has risen, it has grown rapidly to almost **\$1B funding today** 

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# **Regional investments for a diversified portfolio**

Multi<sup>9</sup>

2 projects US\$ 10.0 Million

> TOTAL 149 projects US\$ 1.053.16 Million

Latin America & Caribbean

32 projects US\$ 271.05 Million 6 projects US\$ 29.8 Million

> Asia & Asia-Pacific

54 projects US\$ 322.82 Million

Africa

53 projects US\$ 419.44 Million



# **Mandate – Mission – Strategic Priorities**

#### MANDATE

**Finance concrete adaptation projects and programmes that are country driven** and based on the needs, views and priorities of developing country Parties that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change in meeting the cost of adaptation

#### **MISSION**

The Adaptation Fund serves the Paris Agreement by accelerating effective adaptation action and efficient access to finance, including through direct access, to respond to the urgent needs and priorities of developing countries. The Fund does so by supporting country-driven adaptation projects and programmes, innovation, and learning with concrete results at the local level that can be scaled up.



## What is available for eligible Parties





Concrete adaptation activities in the most vulnerable communities

visible and tangible impacts at the local level that can be scaled up No prescribed sectors or approaches

country-driven process that accommodates countries' priorities and adaptation reasoning Finance the full cost of adaptation

No co-financing requirements

50% of portfolio for

**Direct Access** 

Total allocation for projects/ programmes submitted by MIEs cannot exceed 50% of resources



USD 20 million available per country & 2 NIEs per country

For single country projects, other grants available outside of country



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### **MTS-2 IP Delivery Methods & Windows**

ACTION	Single-Country Projects (within country cap) (NIEs/RIEs/MIEs) Increased impact & delivery through direct access	Regional Projects/ Programmes (RIEs/MIEs) Enhanced scope & effectiveness, incl. relevant sectors and themes	Modalities / Facility for Locally Led AdaptationExisting EDA (NIEs)New EDA type modality (MIE/RIE)Global Aggregator (Non-accredited entities through MIEs)
INNOVATION	Small grants for innovation (NIEs) Simplify access & allow for bundling with other small grants	Large grants for innovation (NIE/RIE/MIE) Develop options for enhanced risk-taking	AF Climate Innovation Accelerator (AFCIA) Non-accredited entities through MIEs (LLA type) Expand through existing & additional delivery partners
LEARNING & SHARING	Learning grants (NIEs) Increase funding amount & scope to include learning within AF NIE portfolio	Learning grants for RIEs/MIEs To develop joint studies with AF on best practices etc.	Increase production, dissemination and visibility of Fund's KM and learning products on emerging areas in adaptation, incl. innovation, gender, LLA etc.

#### ENHANCED READINESS PROGRAMME

Incl. Readiness Package Grants, TA Grants for ESP & GP, Project scale up grants

# Accreditation with the AF

- Strengthens the institutional capacities of IEs by helping IEs consolidate internal fiduciary and financial management systems, project management, transparency and complaint handling mechanisms.
- Allows IEs to **submit funding proposals** to the AF.
- Makes it possible for IEs to participate in AF learning and sharing activities and be included in relevant AF communications.
- Accreditation to the AF increases IEs' visibility and allows for more opportunities to engage with the global climate finance community.
- Under the joint funds' road map, progress has been made on the fast-track accreditation and reaccreditation between AF and GCF entities.



### Scale up and replicate projects – project design

- One of the AF's key niches is piloting localized projects that can later be replicated or scaled up with additional resources. AF projects are often the first adaptation projects on the ground and many of them have been scaled up or replicated, creating transformational change to help the most vulnerable people, adapt and build resilience to climate change.
- Projects need to describe how sustainability of project outcomes has been taken into account when designing the project. Adaptation benefits achieved should be sustained and should enable replication and scaling up.
- All key areas of sustainability should be addressed, including but not limited to economic, social, environmental, institutional, and financial.



#### Scale up and replicate projects – project implementation

- In the **annual project performance reports**, implementing entities have the possibility, in the mid-term and final report, to share what is the potential for the climate resilience measures undertaken by the project/programme to be replicated and scaled up both within and outside the project area.
- **Mid-term review** for projects with a duration of 4 + years, helps identifying successes and best practices as well as areas with potential for upscaling or replication.
- **Terminal evaluation** report should provide evaluative evidence covering the entire intervention. It should measure the overall impact, effectiveness, efficiency, sustainability, replicability, scale-up, and lessons learned of a Fund-financed project.
- Not all projects can or should be scaled. Some projects and intermentions are appropriately relevant to local levels.

### Scale up and replicate projects – instruments

- Accredited National Implementing Entities (NIEs) can access to scale-up grants for an amount of US\$ 100,000, to expand or replicate quality projects that are based on country needs, views and priorities. These grants support planning, assessment, capacity enhancement for designing and developing scaling up pathways for Adaptation Fund projects under implementation and nearing completion or completed. Implementation of project/programme scale-up would be funded by various sources, such as other climate funds but also from other finance channels (including private sector).
- Complementarity and coherence between climate funds: scale-up framework between AF and GCF. Projects that reached mid-term or completion and show scalability potential. Building on lessons learnt and experiences from the piloting of the AF-GCF scale-up framework, both funds have agreed to expand the approach to their entire portfolios.



Knowledge management tools for scaling up and replicability of projects to increase climate resilience

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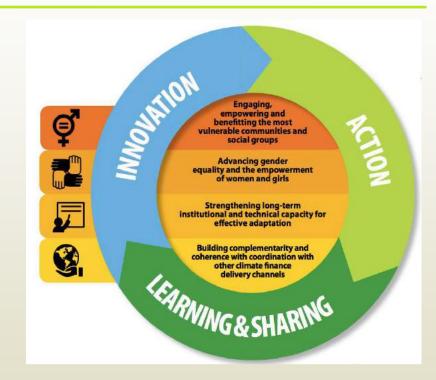
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#### **Knowledge management in the Adaptation Fund**

- KM Strategy and Action Plan, 2017, currently under implementation
- KM Strategy currently being updated
- Medium-Term Strategy 2023-2027 (second strategy)
- Inclusion of a dedicated pillar for Learning \$ Sharing
- Financing window: learning grants: US\$150k (available to NIEs)



#### Importance of KM in AF projects/programs

#### KM is critical in AF projects for two reasons:

- Projects/programs are relatively new
- The AF is piloting Direct Access to countries
- Systematic tracking of experiences and lessons learned gained
- Periodic analysis of these to:

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- enrich global knowledge on climate change adaptation
- to increase understanding about what interventions work

### KM in AF Project/Program Proposals

- Embedded in AF funded projects/programs since inception of its operations
- Puts emphasis on the importance of capturing and disseminating lessons learned
- Mandatory learning and KM component (Part II: Project/Program Justification, section G)
  - Concept stage (basic level)

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- Fully developed proposal (in detail)
- Grouped in a single component or inserted throughout the project components

# Knowledge sharing tools for dissemination and sharing

Lessons learned studies/reports (thematic/sectoral)

- Lessons learned around food security
- Lessons learned on locally-led actions
- Lessons learned on scalability or replicability
- Lessons learned on transoundary adaptation

Virtual courses (self-paced/free of charge):

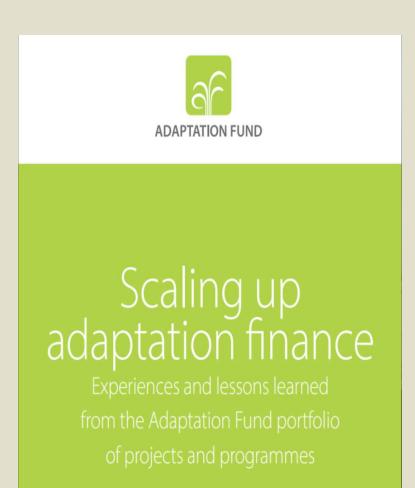
- Courses to increase access to climate adaptation finance
  - Project scale-up
  - Learning grants
  - Innovation
- Courses on Direct Access (accreditation and incorporation of environmental/social and gender policies in project design and implementation)

# **Knowledge events**

- Knowledge events & international conferences (COPs, Adaptation Futures, Community-based adaptation, etc.)
  - To facilitate interchange of experiences and learning with other stakeholders and/or other climate funds
  - Organized/hosted by AF or in collaboration with other climate funds
  - AF provides information that is useful to other entities, including in their decisión-making whether to scale up a project or particular intervention
  - Content extracted from projects/programs financed by the AF
  - Ex: COP27 in Sharm el-Sheik, event organized in collaboration with GCF on scalability and replicability of adaptation interventions







- Objective: the study aims to understand the enabling conditions, best practices and challenges to the scaling-up of adaptation interventions; to increase awareness in countries and the wider adaptation community about scaling-up
- Seeks to generate and share knowledge on incentives and benefits of scaling up sucessful smaller projects financed by one fund with resources from other entities
- Examined scaled-up projects from Senegal, Maldives, Pakistan, Colombia, Georgia, India and Rwanda (total of 18 AF projects scaled-up to date)
- How to access: <u>https://www.adaptation-fund.org/document/scaling-up-adaptation-finance-experiences-and-lessons-learned-from-the-adaptation-fund-portfolio-of-projects-and-programmes/</u>



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## Community of Practice for Direct Access Entities (CPDAE)



Plan de Acción

Presidente e vice-presidente del comité

# Thank you!



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