

Financial Mechanisms and Funding Sources for Climate Change Adaptation Activities in the Near East Countries

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I. Climate Change Adaptation Definition

 "The adjustment in natural or human systems in response to actual or expected climatic effects, which moderates harm or exploits beneficial opportunities" Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (www.ipcc.ch)

Which means

 Climate change will have impacts on both natural and human systems

 Adaptation will involve taking initiatives and implementing measures to make both natural and human systems less vulnerable to those impacts

I. Climate Change Adaptation Climate Change Impacts on Agriculture, Forestry, Land Use

Some potential positive impacts:



Increased crop yields in higher latitudes and colder environments

More potential negative impacts expected:



Decreased crop yields due to heat and drought stress



Increased weed and insect pests and disease outbreaks



Increased danger of wildfire



Soil erosion and land degradation



Salinization of irrigation water

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I. Climate Change Adaptation Adaptation Measures in Agriculture, Forestry, Land Use

- Common adaptation measures:
 - Changing to heat and drought-resistant crop varieties
 - Increasing water harvesting to conserve soil moisture
 - ➡ Diversifying farming with livestock raising, other activities
- Planned adaptation initiatives and measures:
 - Incorporating adaptation knowledge and technologies in public and private decision-making
 - Developing a planned approach to land use change, cultivation practices, new seed varieties
 - Designing incentive structures that encourage adaptation activities



I. Climate Change Adaptation UNFCCC and Kyoto Protocol

- Parties to the UNFCCC and Kyoto Protocol shall:
 - "Formulate, implement, publish and regularly update national and, where appropriate, regional programs containing measures to mitigate climate change [...], and measures to facilitate adequate adaptation to climate change"; (UNFCCC, Art. 4.1b; KP, Art 10b)
 - "The developed country Parties [...] shall also assist the developing country Parties that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change in meeting costs of adaptation to those adverse effects"; (UNFCCC, Art 4.4; similar in KP, Art. 12.8)

http://unfccc.int



I. Climate Change Adaptation National Adaptation Programmes of Action (NAPAs)

- The NAPAs address climate change adaptation by:
 - Providing a process for countries to identify priority activities to meet urgent needs for climate change adaptation
 - Focusing on strengthening countries' adaptive capacity to respond to climate change variability
 - Including profiles of proposed projects/activities to address immediate adaptation needs
 - Allowing access to funding to the Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF) managed by GEF

Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Mauritania, Sudan, and Yemen have submitted NAPAs

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II. Financial Mechanisms and Funding Sources

- A. UNFCCC Funds Adaptation Fund and Green Climate Fund
- B. Global Environment Facility (GEF) Funds
 - Strategic Priority for Adaptation (SPA), Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF) and Least Develop Countries Fund (LDCF)
- C. Multi-lateral Funds
 - Climate Investment Funds: Strategic Climate Fund Pilot Programme for Climate Resilience
- D. Bi-lateral Financing
 - Global Climate Change Alliance (EU)
 - International Climate Initiative (Germany)(Algeria, Jordan, MENA)
- E. Private Sector Financing



Objectives

- Established by UNFCCC to fund "concrete adaptation projects and programmes" in developing countries
- Support concrete adaptation activities that reduce the adverse effects of climate change on communities and countries

Water resources Agriculture Agriculture Agriculture Rocus areas Coastal zone management, and marine resources Forestry and ecosystem management



Operations:

- ➡ Established under Kyoto Protocol, operational since 2009
- Governed by its own Board, GEF serves as Secretariat
- → Funding sourced from a share of proceeds from the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) projects: 2% of all Certified Emissions Certificates (CER) issued, private donors, voluntary contributions from parties/donors and the private sector
- ➡ Direct access by countries themselves
- → USD 147.7 m. as of 2010, USD 318-434 m. by end 2012

http://adaptation-fund.org/



• Project Cycle:

Project > USD 1 million

one step (full proposal) or two step process (concept approval and project document) Project < USD 1 million

one step process (full proposal)

- Option to provide Project Formulation Grant to proponents of endorsed concepts under discussion
- Proposals to be endorsed by a Designated Authority. As of today, 37 countries have nominated one
- Funding Proposals need to be submitted at least 7 weeks before a Board meeting
- One round of clarification requests before submission to Project &

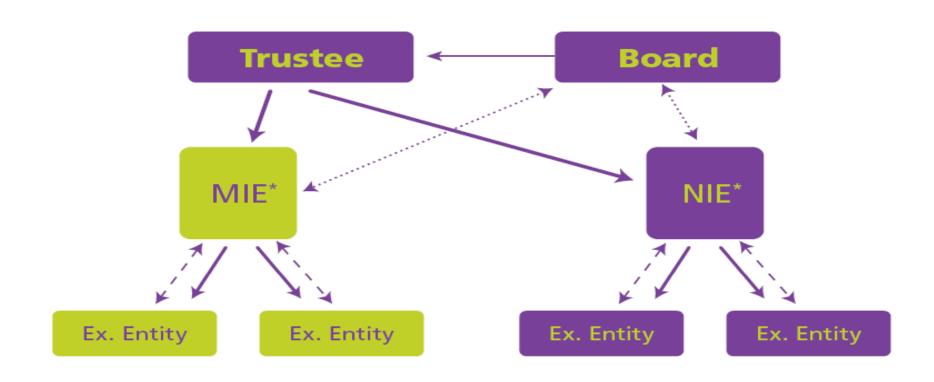
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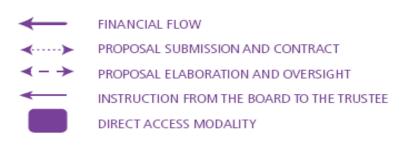
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FIGURE1: MODALITIES FOR ACCESSING RESOURCES OF THE ADAPTATION FUND





* A Party nominates a National Implementing Entity or it may also nominate a Multilateral entity.



- Projects (received/approved):
- Agriculture (2/1)
- Food Security (4/2)
- Water management (7/4)
- Rural Development (3/2)
- Disaster Risk Reduction (6/4)
- Coastal management (5/1)
- Urban development (2/1)

- Africa (9/5)
- Asia&Pacific (13/6)
- Eastern Europe (1/1)
- Latin America & Caribbean (6/6)

Sectors



Region





- Reasons for projects rejections:
 - Inadequate adaptation reasoning (business as usual, or otherwise unclear)
 - Avoidance of duplication with past/existing projects not shown
 - Lack of information in one or more areas, typically on technical feasibility
 - Project set up in an inefficient way
 - Project not shown to be country-driven



Typical Projects:

Egypt

- Promoting agriculture as an adaptation strategy to sea level rise in the Nile Delta, not approved (USD 5.7 m.)
- Not endorsed/not approved

Pakistan

- Reducing risks and vulnerabilities from Glacier Lake Outbursts Floods in Northern Pakistan (USD 3.9 m.)
- Endorsed & approved

Mauritania

- Reinforcing
 Nouakchott City
 adaptive capacities
 to reduce sea level
 rise, flooding &
 sand dune
 encroachment
 threats
 (USD 15 m.)
- Not endorsed/not approved

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II. Financial Mechanisms and Funding Sources A. Green Climate Fund

- Established at Cancun in 2010 to support projects, programmes and policies in developing country parties using thematic funding windows (up to \$100bn/yr by 2020)
- Transitional Committee designing operational policies and procedures for approval in Durban in Nov.-Dec. 2011
- Designed to manage large scale financial resources with balanced allocation between adaptation and mitigation
- The Fund should be country-driven and integrated into national development planning processes; and that its resources be longterm to allow for the economic transformation necessary to address climate change



II. Financial Mechanisms and Funding Sources B. Global Environment Facility (GEF)

- Strategic Priority for Adaptation (SPA)
- Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF)
- Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF)

www.thegef.org





B. GEF- Strategic Priority on Adaptation (SPA)

Strategic Priority on Adaptation (SPA)

Objectives

- Reduce vulnerability, increase adaptive capacity
- Successful projects are global in scope, environmental in nature, and fall within the GEF focus areas:
 - Biodiversity
 - Climate Change
 - International Waters
 - Land Degradation
 - Persistent Organic Pollutants (weaker emphasis)



Programs that link multiple focus areas will be more successful in accessing funding

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Typical Projects:

Yemen

 Adaptation to Climate Change Using Agrobiodiversity Resources in the Rain Fed Highlands of Yemen (USD 8.7 m.)

Tajikistan

Sustaining
 Agricultural
 Biodiversity in
 the Face of
 Climate Change
 (USD 5.1 m.)

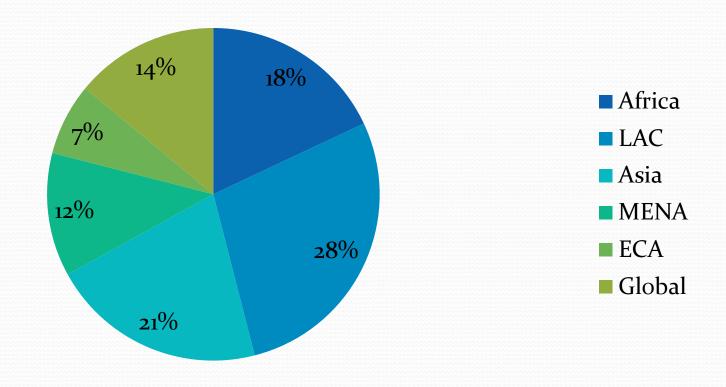
Tunisia

 Land and Water Optimization Project (USD 74.4 m.)



Strategic Priority on Adaptation (SPA)

SPA - Committed projects - by region



The SPA funded 22 projects

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- Established by COP7 in 2001 under the UNFCCC
- Responds to guidance from the UNFCCC Conference of Parties
- Co-finance the additional costs of implementing climate change adaptation measures in development
- Replenished on a rolling-basis
- In 2010, LDCF and SCCF received \$181 million
- LDCF for LDCs, SCCF for all developing countries
- LDCF/SCCF Adaptation Strategy 2010-2014

LDCF – USD 345 m. pledged from 23 donors

SCCF – USD 186 m. pledged from 14 donors

Allocated, Committed or Disbursed:

62 projects in 64 developing countries LDCF for \$156 million and SCCF for \$100 million

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Least Developed Country Fund (LDCF)

Objectives

• Help LDCs achieve climate-resilient development

Focus areas

Water resources management

drought/flood prediction & warning systems; water use efficiency

Food security & Agriculture

crop
diversification;
policy
development &
implementation;
institutional
coordination

Communitybased adaptation

forest management, mangrove restoration, alternative livelihoods

Disaster risk management

Integrated disaster risk management strategies

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Least Developed Country Fund (LDCF)



- Sliding scale for ease in calculating cost
- Rolling application and review process
- No global-benefits requirement
- Expedited project cycle
- Accessing funds: eligibility and priorities:

All LDCs are eligible to apply for funds

1st step: Preparation of a National Adaptation Plan of Action (NAPA)

After NAPA is finalized & public, country may submit project proposals

Implementation phase: design and development of project

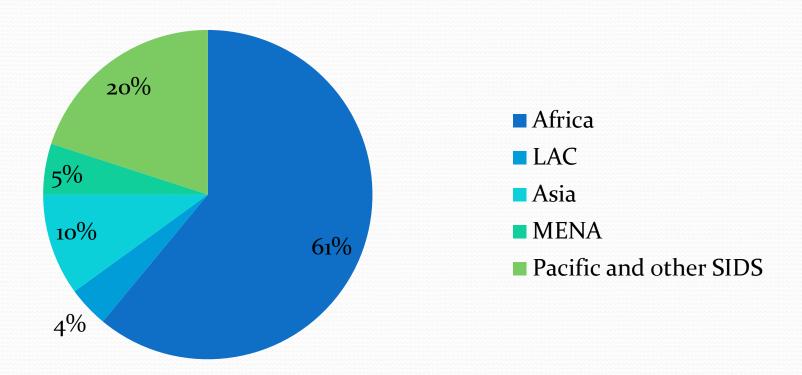




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B. GEF-Least Developed Country Fund (LDCF)

LDCF -Regional distribution -approved funding



II. Financial Mechanisms and Funding Sources B. GEF-Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF)



Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF)

Objectives

 Provide funding for projects that are complementary to those within the climate change focal area of the GEF

Focus areas

Water resources management

drainage & watersaving technologies, reduce water needs for agriculture Agriculture/ Land management

drought resistant crops, crop diversification

Fragile Ecosystems

repopulation of coral reefs, buffer zones & biological corridors between vulnerable wetlands Disaster risk management

early warning systems

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- Procedural innovations:
 - Sliding scale for ease in calculating cost
 - Rolling application and review process
 - Uses additional cost to determine level of funding
- Accessing funds: eligibility and priorities:

All non-Annex 1 countries (= most developing countries) are eligible to apply for funds

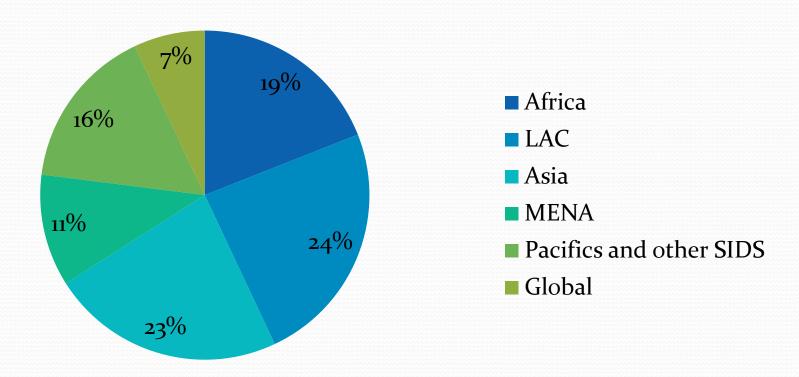
Project must follow strategies set out in national communications or NAPAs

Design, development of project following templates & guidelines for either full or medium-sized projects



II. Financial Mechanisms and Funding Sources B. GEF-Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF)

SCCF -Regional distribution -approved funding





II. Financial Mechanisms and Funding Sources C. Multi-lateral Funds

Climate Investment Funds (CIF)

- Clean Technology Fund
- Strategic Climate Fund
 - Forest Investment Program
 - Pilot Program for Climate Resilience
 - Scaling Up Renewable Energy in Low Income Countries

www.climateinvestmentfunds.org





Objectives

- Provides incentives for scaled-up action and initiates transformational change
- Pilot and demonstrate ways in which climate risk and resilience may be integrated into core development planning and implementation
- Activities supported:
 - <u>Technical assistance</u> to enable developing countries to build upon existing national work to integrate climate resilience into national and sectoral development plans
 - Public and private sector <u>investments</u> identified in national or sectoral development plans or strategies addressing climate resilience

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II. Financial Mechanisms and Funding SourcesC. Pilot Programme for Climate Resilience

Expected outcomes:



<u>Increased capacity</u> to integrate climate resilience into country development strategies



A more <u>inclusive approach</u> to climate resilient growth and development



Increased awareness of the potential impact of climate change



Scaled-up investment for broader interventions and programming related to climate resilience



Improved coordination among stakeholders regarding country-specific climate resilient programs

/estment



II. Financial Mechanisms and Funding SourcesC. Pilot Programme for Climate Resilience

Pilot Program in Republic of Yemen

Climate Change

Pillar 1

Information
Management,
Analysis, and Public
Awareness

Mapping of actors,
capacity building,
awareness raising

Pillar 2

Mainstreaming
 Climate Change
 Resilience into
 Development
 Planning
 → Preparation of
 Fourth Economic and
 Social Development
 Plan



Tajikistan has also a Pilot program for Climate Resilience



II. Financial Mechanisms and Funding Sources D. Bi-lateral Financing

- Global Climate Change Alliance (European Union)
- International Climate Initiative (Germany)
- USAID Global Climate Change Program (United States)
- CIDA Canadian Climate Change

www.gcca.eu



II. Financial Mechanisms and Funding Sources D. Global Climate Change Alliance (EU)

Objectives

- Deepen the policy dialogue between the EU and developing countries on climate change
- Step up support to target countries to implement priority adaptation and mitigation measures
- Activities supported:
 - Promoting adaptation activities building on the NAPAs
 - Reducing emissions from deforestation and degradation
 - Enhancing participation in the Clean Development Mechanism
 - Promoting disaster risk reduction
 - Mainstreaming climate change into poverty reduction development strategies

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II. Financial Mechanisms and Funding Sources D. Global Climate Change Alliance (EU)

Beneficiary Countries:

Targeted the LDCs, the small island developing states, and African countries affected by drought, desertification and flooding

18 of the most vulnerable countries from Bangladesh and Belize to Tanzania, Ethiopia and Vanuatu

Mauritania, Sudan, Yemen?



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