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## **REGIONAL PROJECT PLANS FROM RIE**

## **Background**

- 1. The AF Board at its 17<sup>th</sup> meeting held in Bonn, Germany in March 15-16, 2012 decided to:
  - a) Request the secretariat to consult with accredited and applicant RIEs on their plans for regional projects/programmes and to inform the EFC at its next meeting of the substance of these discussions; and
  - b) Request Board members and alternates to submit their views to the secretariat on issues related to regional projects/programmes by 1 May 2012, and to form a working group to follow up on this issue that would include Mr. Philip S. Weech (coordinator), Ms. Ana Fornells, Mr. Ricardo Lozano Picon, Ms. Angela Churie-Kallhauge and Mr. Mamadou Honadia.

(Decision B.17/20)

- 2. To comply with point (a) of the decision above, the secretariat has consulted BOAD, which is the only accredited RIE, to collect information on any plan they would have to develop regional projects and programmes in the future.
- 3. BOAD has identified and financed different categories of regional projects:
  - a. Transnational development projects, including infrastructures (transnational roads), large hydropower projects such as the Manantali dam covering Senegal, Mali and Mauritania);
  - b. Project approaches that are replicated in different countries: ex. cook stoves implementation projects in Mali and Burkina Faso;
  - c. Funding of private sector projects submitted by individuals from different nationalities, although that project may be implemented in one country only.
- 4. In the area of climate change mitigation, the institution has developed regional projects in the past (mostly energy projects: solar, hydropower, improved cook stoves).
- 5. In the case of adaptation projects and more specifically those which will seek funding from the AF, the current project pipeline is comprised of single country projects only. However, the entity will in the future explore project ideas based on the approaches (1) and (2) outlined above.