Readiness Support for Africa and the ECOWAS region

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Recap - Roles of NDAs or Focal Points

- Convene national stakeholders
- Scope of NDA/focal point role
- Approval of readiness support
- Nomination letters for direct access
- No-objection letters for projects/programmes
- Strategic oversight aligned to national priorities
Country strategic framework

- National climate change strategies and plans
- Results of the Fund
- Investment framework of the Fund

Ongoing consultative process with stakeholders
# Possible elements of a country programme

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<th>Priorities</th>
<th>Identification of priorities for the Green Climate Fund</th>
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<th>Action plan</th>
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Proposal approval process

- **Guided by the Fund**
  - Proposal submission
  - Concept note
  - Proposal generation
  - Legal arrangements
  - Board decision
  - Analysis and recommendation

- **Start here**
- **GCF + ENTITIES**
- **ACREDITED ENTITIES + NDAS**
- **GCF + BOARD**
- **GFC + PANEL**

- **(NO OBJECTION BY NDA)**
No-objection procedure for funding proposals

**Scenario 1**

- **Accredited Entity**
  - Seeks no-objection from the NDA or focal point

- **Accredited Entity**
  - Submits proposal with no-objection letter to the Fund

- **Secretariat**
  - Processes complete proposal for Board consideration

**Scenario 2**

- **Accredited Entity**
  - Submits proposal to Fund without no-objection letter

- **Secretariat**
  - Informs NDA or focal point requesting no-objection letter within 30 days

- **NDA or focal point**
  - (i) Submits no-objection within 30 days
    - (ii) Does not submit no-objection within 30 days

- **Secretariat**
  - (i) Processes complete proposal for Board consideration
    - (ii) Suspends proposal & notifies accredited entity
Contents of the no-objection

GOVERNMENT HAS NO OBJECTION

CONFORMITY WITH NATIONAL PRIORITIES

CONFORMITY WITH RELEVANT LAWS & REGULATIONS
Nominating entities for direct access

Inform entities of the opportunity for accreditation

Nominate entities to apply for accreditation

Approve deployment of readiness support where needed

Regional

- ACUMEN
- Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre
- CAF Development Bank of Latin America
- SPREP Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme

National

- CSEZ
- Environmental Investment Fund of Namibia
- Ministry of Natural Resources of Rwanda
- NABARD
- PROFONANPE
Capacities needed

Knowledge
- National priorities, strategies, plans
- Adaptation & mitigation efforts/needs

Insight
- On institutions & stakeholders relevant for the country’s engagement with the Fund
- Activities of other funding mechanisms & institutions

Influence
- Contribute to and drive national development strategies & plans
- Facilitate multi-stakeholder consultations
# Readiness support for NDAs and focal points

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**Readiness support for entities and pipelines**

| Enabling sub-national, national & regional entities to meet Fund’s standards (area 3) | Gap analysis of potential entities |
| Capacity building support to close gaps |
| Delivery partner or accredited entity |
| Subject to country cap (USD 1 million) |

| Developing project/programme pipelines aligned with Fund’s investment framework (area 4) | Project preparation, including technical, financial, operational & legal assessments |
| Monitoring & evaluation of impacts |
| Direct or delivery partner |
| Subject to country cap (USD 1 million) |
Readiness steps & documentation

Request submission
- Request or expression of interest
Proposal development
- Readiness proposal with implementation plan, budget & procurement plan
Review
- Proposal review & financial management capacity assessment
Legal arrangements
- Grant agreement and related legal documents
Disbursement & reporting
- Disbursement requests with reports
State of play in African countries

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<td>Readiness Requests</td>
<td>36 countries</td>
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<td>Readiness Support Granted</td>
<td>Benin, Comoros, Cote d’Ivoire, DRC, Ethiopia, Mali, Rwanda, and Togo</td>
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<td>Direct Access Entities Nominated by Countries</td>
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<td>Consultations on Funding Proposals</td>
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