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## **The Gender Policy and Action Plan of Adaptation Fund**

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Workshop



# BACKGROUND: Gender & Climate Change

- Paris Agreement:
  - “Climate Actions guided by human rights, gender equality and the empowerment of women ...” [Paris Agreement, Preamble]
  - “...the adaptation action should follow a country-driven, gender-responsive participatory and fully transparent approach, ...” [Article 7.5 of Paris Agreement]
- AFB Decision B.26/32:
  - The Adaptation Fund Board (AFB) decided to recognize the importance of streamlining and strengthening the integration of gender considerations in the policies and procedures of the Fund
- AFB Decision B. 27/28:
  - The AFB approved the gender policy and gender action plan, as well as amended operational policies and guidelines (OPGs).

# Gender Is NOT New to Adaptation Fund

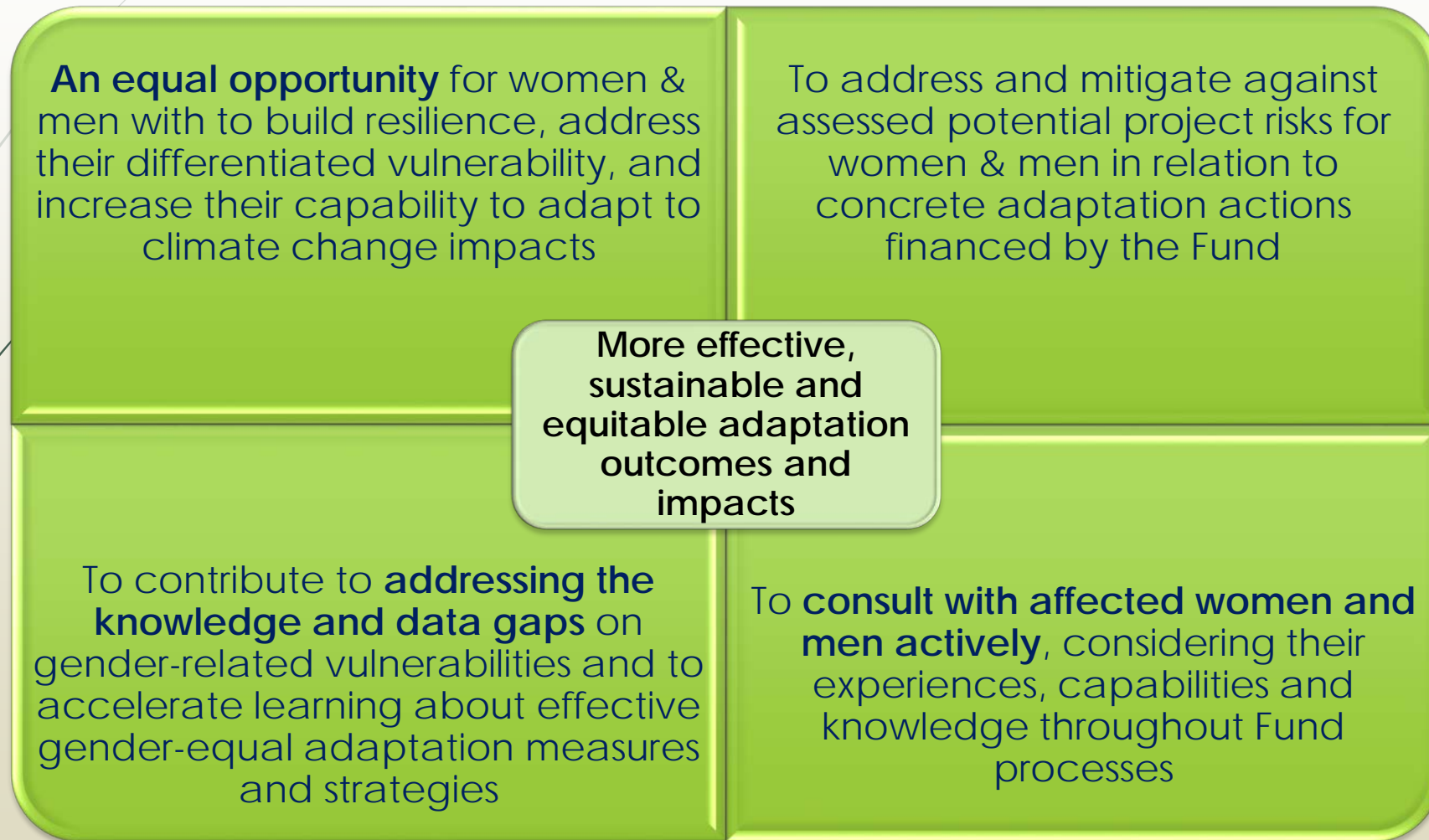


Principle 5 of ESP: Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment

Gender consideration at project proposal review stage

AF Result Framework: Project performance report (PPR) results tracker

# Gender Policy & Action Plan of the Adaptation Fund – adopted in Marcy 2016



# Key Concepts of the AF Gender Policy

- **Gender** – social attributes and opportunities associated with being male & female and the relationships b/w women and men; context/time-specific and changeable
- **Gender Equality**: equal rights, responsibilities and opportunities and access of women and men; equal consideration of their respective interests, needs and priorities ; ***Not a women's issue but concern and fully engage men as well as women***
- **Gender Equity**: process of being fair to men and women
- **Gender Mainstreaming** : a globally accepted strategy for making the experiences and concerns of women and men an integral part of the design, implementations, monitoring and evaluation of policies & programmes
- **Gender responsive**: consideration of gender norms, roles and relations and to addressing inequality generated by unequal norms, roles and relations through changes within a given social setting through remedial action
- **Gender sensitive**: *similar to gender responsive*, but does not necessarily address inequality generated by unequal norms, roles and relations

# Principles of the AF Gender Policy

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- **Commitment** to contribute to gender equality
- **Comprehensiveness** in scope & coverage of all the AF's adaptation activities
- **Accountability** = monitoring gender impacts
- **Competencies** –key advisory & decision-making bodies & readiness support
- **Resource allocation**
- **Knowledge generation and communication**
- **Review and Revisions**



## AF Gender Action Plan (2017-19) – Priority Areas

Governance &  
Institutional  
Structure

OPGs & Project  
Cycle Support

Capacity  
Development

Results-Based  
Management  
(RBM)

Resource  
Allocation &  
Budgeting

Collaboration &  
Communication

# Gender-related Indicators in the AF Results Tracker

<p>Impact: increased resilience at the community, national, and regional levels to climate variability and change</p> <p>*outcome 1: reduced exposure to climate-related hazards &amp; threats</p>	<p>Core Indicators: # of beneficiaries</p> <p>Indicator 1: relevant threat and hazard info generated and disseminated to stakeholders on a timely basis</p>	<p>Total # of beneficiaries</p> <p>Total # of targeted stakeholders</p>	<p>% of female beneficiaries</p> <p>% of female stakeholders targeted</p>
<p>Outcome 2: Strengthened institutional capacity to reduce risks associated with climate-induced socioeconomic &amp; environmental losses</p> <p>Output 2.1: Strengthened capacity of national &amp; sub-national centers and networks to respond rapidly to extreme weather events</p>	<p>Indicator 2: Capacity of staff to respond to, and mitigate impacts of climate-related events from targeted institutional increased</p> <p>Indicator 2.1.1.: # of staff trained to respond to, and mitigate impacts of climate-related events</p>	<p>Total # of staff targeted</p> <p>Total # of staff trained</p>	<p>% of female staff targeted</p> <p>% of female staff trained</p>



# Gender-related Indicators in the AF Results Tracker [cont'd]

Output 3: Targeted population groups participating in adaptation and risk reduction awareness activities	Indicator 3.1.1.: Percentage of targeted population awareness of predicted adverse impacts of climate change, and of appropriate responses	Total # of targeted beneficiaries	% of female beneficiaries targeted  % of female stakeholders targeted
Outcome 6: Diversified and strengthened livelihoods and sources of income for vulnerable people in targeted areas	Indicator 6.1: Increase in households and communities having more secure access to livelihoods assets	Total # of targeted households	% of female headed households
	Indicator 6.2: Increases in targeted population's sustained climate-resilient alternative livelihoods	Total # of targeted households	% of female headed households

# AF Gender sensitive project example 1:

**Rwanda** “Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change in North West Rwanda through Community Based Adaptation”





## AF Gender sensitive project example 2

### Senegal: Adaptation to Coastal Erosion in Vulnerable Areas



## AF Gender sensitive project example 3

**Ecuador:** Enhancing resilience of communities to the adverse effects of climate change on food security, in Pichincha Province and the Jubones River basin



# AF Gender sensitive project example 4 South Africa

## Africa: Building Resilience in the Greater uMngeni Catchment





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