

UNEP-MoEJ NIE Support Programme in Asia and the Pacific Region

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UNEP-MoEJ NIE Support Programme

- Considering capacity gaps and accredited NIEs in the Asia-Pacific region being very low
- Multi-year regional support programme, financed by Ministry of the Environment of Japan started in 2012 and ending in early 2017

Objective:

- ***Develop countries' capacity for direct access to the AF***
- ***Support NIE to develop project/programme proposals to access the AF***

- Country level support agreements with Bhutan, Cambodia, Cook Islands, Tuvalu, Maldives, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Palau
- Many other countries have benefited and attended training and workshops (15 countries)
- Combination of technical and financial support

Support
assessment of
capacity gaps

Assistance on
capacity
development

Support NIE
identification and
selection

Support
accreditation
application and
address feedback
from AF

Component
I:
NIE
Accreditation

Assistance in
implementation
modality

Guidance on
project
preparation

Checklist for
identification of
adaptation projects

Primary
assessment of
project
proposals

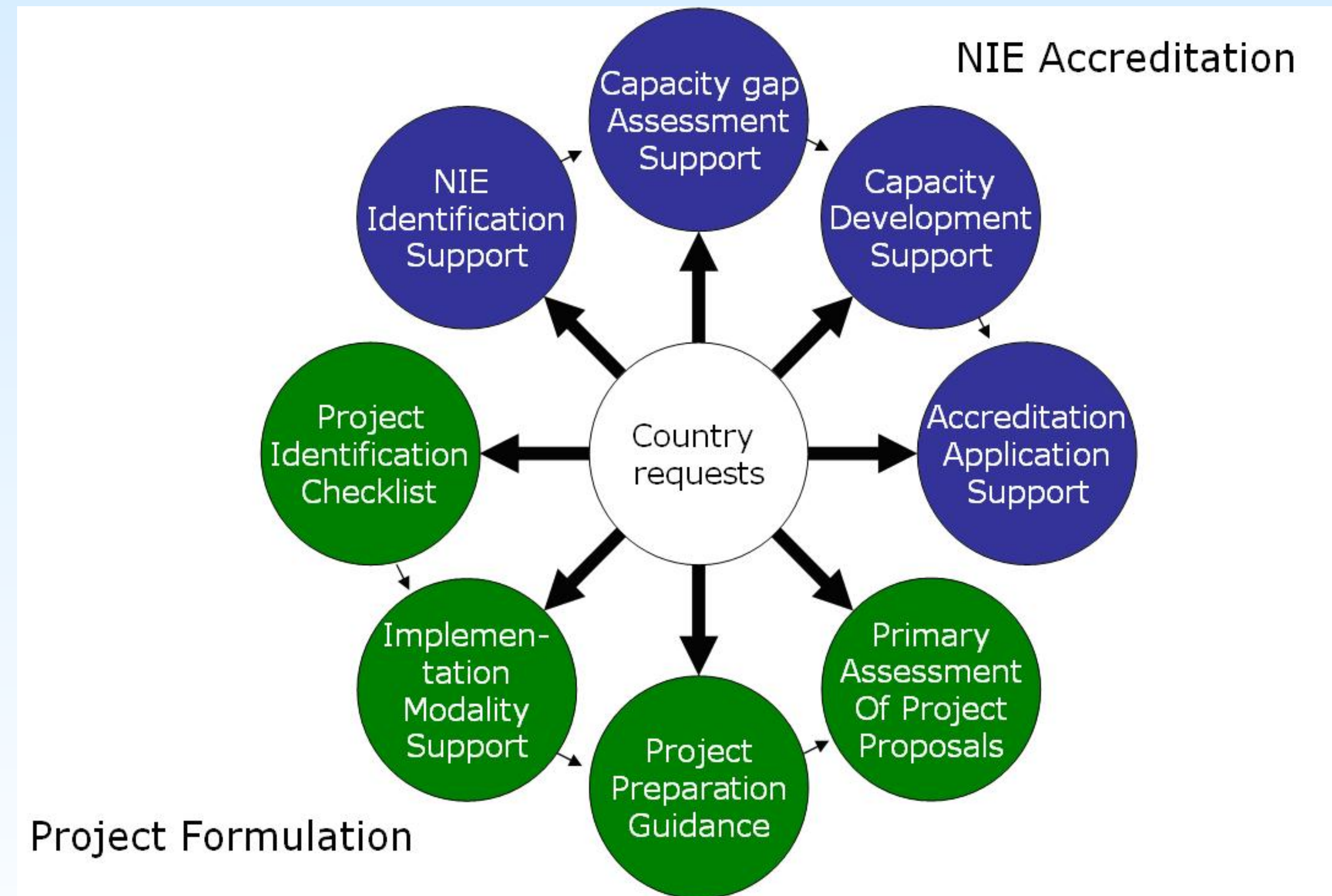
Component
II:
Project
formulation

Regional Helpdesk

- Key building block of the programme to receive requests from countries
- Initial assessments, development of roadmap of support, providing the right expertise and generating and sharing knowledge
- **Demand-driven and customised**
- **Face-to-face support**
- **Community of practice**



Regional **knowledge sharing** workshops



Lessons learned

Selection of NIE

- Engaging stakeholders early onwards
- Generally Ministries of Environment nominated as NIE
- CC Adaptation experience not a requisite for NIE: Strength of IEs should be gauged on all fiduciary standards and not only implementation of projects
- Many support programmes exist. Clear need for coordination or collaboration with different actors to avoid duplication of effort

Capacity development

- Capacity development not a quick process – requires institutional change
- Underestimating process and work involved
- Commitments not sufficient for accreditation – requires evidence
- Accreditation process can improve fraud protection and corruption at the institutional level
- Regional knowledge sharing and training for both DAs and NIE candidates can help to enhance knowledge on process and understanding of process

Project development

- Accreditation lasts 5 years - Need for NIEs nearing accreditation to start developing projects and programmes
- IEs can be prepared to submit proposals immediately after accreditation



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