Presentation Outline

• Background

• Activities of the Readiness Programme

• Readiness small grants
The Readiness Programme was Launched in May 2014

• **Goal:**
  ✓ To increase the number of accredited national implementing entities (NIEs), and strengthen the overall capacity of NIEs

• **Specific objectives:**
  i. To increase the preparedness of applicant national implementing entities seeking accreditation by the Adaptation Fund

  ii. To increase the number of high quality project/programme proposals submitted to the Board within a reasonable time period after accreditation

• **Institutionalized by the Board in April 2016 (Decision B.27/38)**
Activities of the Readiness Programme
Readiness Programme for Climate finance

Component 1: Support to accredited IEs
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- TA grants 6 NIEs
  - TA for ESP and Gender – 25k
  - TA for Gender – 10k
  - Project Formulation Assistance (PFA) – 15k

- Peer-peer learning
  - COP 21 side event: shared experience of 4 NIEs (Fundecooperacion – Costa Rica; MCT – Micronesia; NABARD – India; and SANBI – South Africa).
  - Climate finance readiness seminar for NIEs: Annual event in Washington DC.
  - Climate finance readiness workshops
  - Webinars: Webinar #2: held on 28 April, Knowledge management. Next webinar 26 October 2016.
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- Policies and Guidance documents
  - ESP guidance document
  - Gender Policy
  - Knowledge Management Strategy

Component 2: Cooperation/Partnership with climate finance readiness providers
  - Joint seminars
  - Building community of practice
Readiness workshops in 2014

15-17 July 2014
NIE Seminar # 1, Washington, DC
A seminar for all accredited IE: training and exchange of experiences on project proposal preparation and environmental and social risk management.

1-4 July 2014
First Africa NIEs Workshop, Nairobi
implemented in partnership with the National Environment Authority of Kenya, Heinrich Boell Foundation and CDKN

1-4 July 2014
Launchin workshop, Washington, DC
Improved cooperation with multilateral and bilateral organizations currently providing accreditation support to national or regional institutions

10-12 September 2014
Readiness Seminar # 3, Bangkok
jointly hosted by UNEP and the Fund targeted at potential NIEs in Asia and the Pacific.

16-19 September 2014
SPREP Adaptation Fund Training Workshop, Apia, Samoa
Readiness workshops in 2015

28-30 July 2015
NIE Seminar # 2,
Washington, DC
A seminar for all accredited
IE: training and exchange
of experiences on project
proposal preparation and
environmental and social
risk management.

24-26 March 2015
Adaptation Fund –
CAF CF Readiness
Workshop, Panama
City
jointly hosted by GoP
and CAF. Goals: better
understanding of AF
project cycle, NIE
requirements, support
available.

18-20 May 2015
Regional Climate Finance
Workshop, Windhoek, Namibia
jointly hosted by DRFN, AF and
HBS. Goals: better understanding
of AF project cycle, NIE
requirements, support available.

21-25 September 2015
– AF HBS Regional
workshop, Abuja,
Nigeria
Details to be confirmed
Readiness workshops in 2016

7-9 June 2016
Climate Finance Readiness Workshop, Tegucigalpa, Honduras
jointly hosted by AF and CAFI. Goals: better understanding of AF project full cycle, with emphasis on project design and development.

13-15 July 2016
NIE Seminar #3, Washington, DC
A seminar for all accredited IE: Agenda set by NIEs, focusing on policies, AF procedures, networking/community of practice and exchange of experiences.

6-8 September 2016
Regional workshop, Middle East and Northern Africa
Rabat, Morocco. Jointly hosted by the AF and ADA. High level involving committee for COP 22.

23-25 August 2016
Regional Climate Finance Workshop for Asia and the Pacific
jointly hosted by UNEP Help Desk, Asia, NABARD and AF. Goals: better understanding of AF accreditation process and requirements.

13-15 July 2016
NIE Seminar # 3, Washington, DC
A seminar for all accredited IE: Agenda set by NIEs, focusing on policies, AF procedures, networking/community of practice and exchange of experiences.
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Component 3: Support to countries seeking accreditation

- S-S cooperation grants to 9 countries through 3 NIEs
- Climate finance readiness seminars
- Tools and guidance documents
  - Accreditation toolkit and manual
  - Guidelines for selection of NIE

Component 4: Knowledge management

- 4 NIE adaptation stories published
- Climate Finance Ready microsite
- Contribution to secretariat KM strategy
“Climate Finance Ready” platform

Adaptation Fund & CDKN Launch ‘Climate Finance Ready’
New partnership and website for knowledge exchange and resource sharing

Case Studies
- CASE STUDY: A Coherence of Practice for current and upcoming National Implementing Entities (NIEs)
- CASE STUDY: Latin American countries seek practical options for climate finance
- CASE STUDY: Direct access to the Adaptation Fund – lessons from accrediting NIEs in Jamaica and Senegal

Recent Research
- REPORT: Status of climate finance at COP20, Lima
- REPORT: Reconfiguring urban adaptation finance
- REPORT: Climate change vulnerability and adaptation preparedness in southern Africa – Zimbabwe country report

Latest News
- NEWS: Adaptation Fund & CDKN launch ‘Climate Finance Ready’
- NEWS: ‘Zero poverty, zero emissions’ event in Lima, Peru to target climate finance readiness
- NEWS: Adaptation Fund & UNEP kick off Direct Access Climate Finance Readiness seminar in Bangkok

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Readiness small grants for 2016

Application deadline: 31 August 2016
Technical Assistance (TA) Grants

• To help strengthen the capacity of national and regional implementing entities to receive and manage climate financing
  – Strengthen capacity in the areas of environmental, social and gender risk management
    ❖ TA Grant for ESP and Gender – 25k (All accredited NIEs)
    ❖ TA Grant for *Gender – 10k (Previous ESP grant recipients only)

• Support in one or more of the following:
  – Developing procedures/manuals/guidelines for screening projects/*avoid, minimize, mitigate adverse gender impacts;
  – Developing procedures/manuals/guidelines for undertaking risk assessments/*undertaking gender assessments;
  – Developing Policies/avenues for public disclosure and consultation
  – Training of staff/*for gender mainstreaming
Project Formulation Assistance (PFA) Grants

- Project Formulation Grants (PFGs) available to build capacity in project preparation and design.
- PFA available for undertaking of specialist technical assessments.
  - Can apply at concept or full proposal stage
    - Up to 15k maximum per NIE

- Support any of the following assessments:
  - Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)
  - Vulnerability Assessment (VA)
  - Risk Assessment
  - Other Environmental and Social Assessments for adaptation projects
South-South (S-S) Cooperation Grants

• Countries without an NIE may apply for a grant to receive support from an existing NIE

• Support in one or more of the following:
  – identifying potential NIE candidates;
  – assisting NIE candidates in the preparation of applications to be submitted to the Fund;
  – providing support and advice during the application process.

• Eligible NIEs must meet all of the following criteria:
  – Have been accredited by the Board;
  – Have an Adaptation Fund project or programme under implementation, hence demonstrating effective compliance with the AF fiduciary standards; and
  – Have experience advising, participating in, or organizing support to other NIEs/national institutions/govts.
Thank You!

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