



**Adaptation Fund NGO Network  
(AFN)**

***Impact of civil society in raising awareness for and  
helping to enhance Adaptation Fund projects at  
country levels***

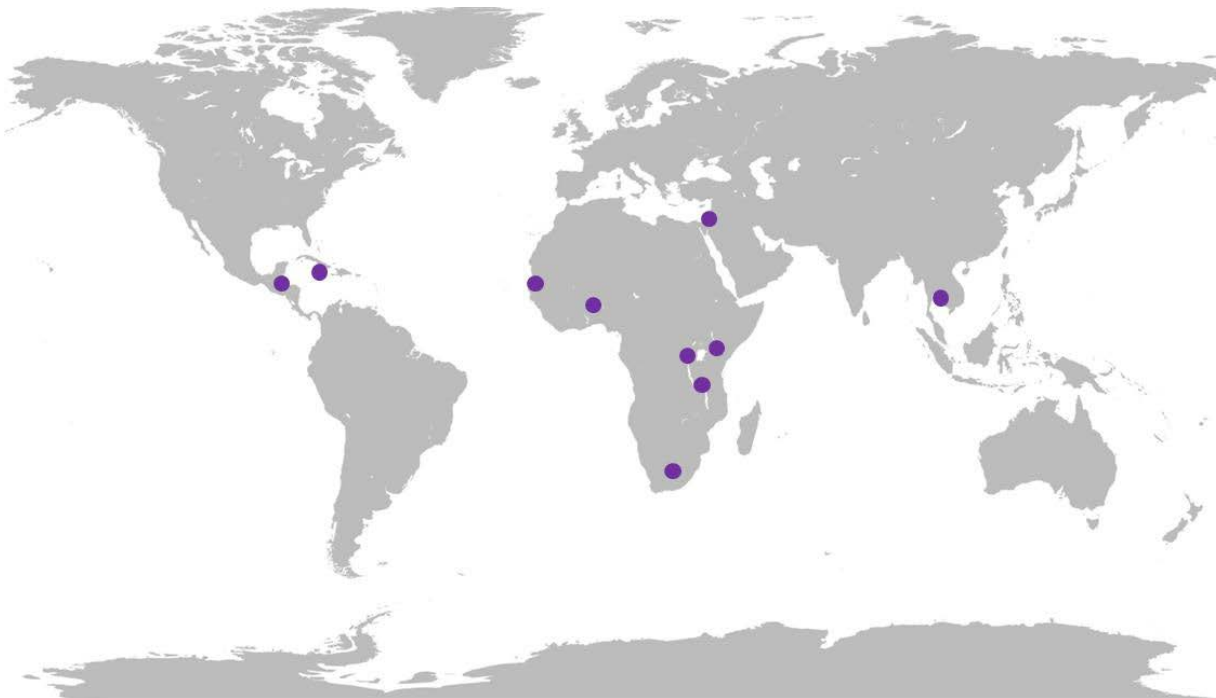
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# The Adaptation Fund NGO Network

- ❑ A coalition of NGOs and interested stakeholders following the development of the AF and its funded projects
- ❑ focusing on the needs of the most vulnerable communities to climate change
- ❑ The network directly supports NGOs in the Global South increasing their capacity to escort the implementation of AF funded projects
- ❑ Partners actively engage in advocacy and policy regarding AF processes and adaptation finance and bring in local experiences into those processes



## Where AFN supported partners are in the world

- Benin
- Honduras
- Jamaica
- Jordan
- Rwanda
- Senegal
- South Africa
- Tanzania
- Cambodia
- Kenya
- and more countries in the future





## The Adaptation Fund NGO Network (AFN)

A growing network of national civil society organisations from across the world  
(over 200 registered members )



**10 civil society organisations** across the Global South are supported in their efforts and activities at the national level to engage non-state actors in the AF projects and policy discussions.  
The Network is hosted by Germanwatch.



الجمعية الملكية لحماية البيئة البحرية  
The Royal Marine Conservation Society  
JREDS







# Local impacts of the Network: Senegal

## ***Senegal – Supporting and accompanying non-state actors and beneficiaries of the AF project***

- ENDA Energie organized wide consultations with the NIE, executing entities, beneficiaries, CBOs and local authorities
- Support CSO executing entity in Joal and important collaboration with the NIE and the National Directorate of Environment
- Follow-up of the project with field visits, interviews and meetings with executing entities, beneficiaries and communities
- Advocacy for scaling-up of coastal adaptation strategies of the project to a large strategy on coastal management.
- Partnership with community radio to increase awareness raising of stakeholders
- ENDA Energie made a study identifying impact indicators of the adaptation project



Fishermen in Saly in Senegal, one of the AF project sites







# Local impacts of the Network: Jordan

## Jordan – *Engaging civil society organisations in the AF project implementation*

- The Royal Marine Conservation Society of Jordan (JREDS) organised national consultations with communities and beneficiaries of the AF project
- JREDS established a strong relationship with the NIE of Jordan
- Mobilisation of a wide range of institutions, NGOs, media, local communities and farmer's associations and enabling their participation
- Organisation of national workshops
- JREDS became a member of a Steering Committee established by the NIE
- JREDS ensured that community-based organizations also join the Committee.



Stakeholder workshop in Jordan







# Local impacts of the Network:

## Honduras – *Enhancing the AF project implementation through effective civil society engagement*

- Fundación Vida, the AFN partner in the country, actively supported the roles of civil society in the AF project
- Communication and awareness raising of climate change consequences
- Fundación Vida established good collaboration and interactions between civil society and UNDP (MIE)
- Identification and contribution to synergies between all the stakeholders (government, beneficiaries, universities and NGOs)
- Articulation, generation and dissemination of project related information



The AF project in Honduras



**AFN members making a civil society intervention during a regional workshop on readiness organised in 2016 by the Adaptation Fund Secretariat in Morocco**



# What has the Network achieved?

- A growing network of relevant stakeholders interested to or already engaged in adaptation and climate change resilience at the local, national or international levels
- Special attention to the particular needs of the most vulnerable people
- An enhanced, cooperative working relationship between the Adaptation Fund Board and civil society actors/organisations
- Increased attention to civil society contributions
- Stakeholder involvement in AF project development process (e.g. in Rwanda, ACNR the AFN partner, has engaged civil society voice in the development of the Lake Victoria regional project prepared by UNEP)
- Greater transparency of AF processes and project planning and implementation



People affected by floods in a rural community

# Thank you!

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