



ADAPTATION FUND

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Adaptation Fund Board
Project and Programme Review Committee
Twenty-First Meeting
Bonn, Germany, 10-11 October 2017

Agenda Item 7 b)

PROJECT FORMULATION GRANT FOR (BURKINA FASO, MALI)

Background

1. The Board at its eleventh meeting discussed the document "Funding for Project Formulation Costs" (AFB/11/6) and agreed, in its Decision B.11/18, that:

- i. project formulation grants (PFG) should be given once a project concept has been approved*
- ii. consideration should be given in terms of differentiating between NIEs and MIEs, since some NIEs might have financial difficulties in trying to formulate project or programme proposals;*
- iii. a flat rate should be given for project formulation costs; iv. a list of eligible activities and items still needed to be prepared; v. the grant should be additional to the project cost; and vi. the fate of funds if the final project document was rejected should be determined.*

2. There was consensus that a three tiered system should be considered for project formulation grants: endorse a project concept with a PFG amount, endorse a project concept without a PFG amount, or reject the project concept.

3. Following the discussion, the Board decided:

To request the secretariat to reformulate the document, to include a comparison of eligible activities provided by other funds for project formulation grants, to take into account guidance provided by the Board at the present meeting, and to submit the document to the Board at its twelfth meeting, through the EFC. The EFC should review and finalize the process and policy of the project formulation grant focusing, in particular, on: the issue of unspent project funds; the procedures followed by other funds in that regard; and the determination of a flat-rate.

4. A document was prepared by the secretariat in response to the above mandate and presented at the third EFC meeting, which made specific recommendations to the Board at its twelfth meeting. Having considered the recommendation of the Ethics and Finance Committee, the Board, in its Decision B.12/28, decided that:

- (a) Project Formulation Grants (PFGs) will only be made available for projects submitted through NIEs. The Board would continue reviewing the question of PFGs for projects submitted through MIEs and would solicit comments from members and alternate members by February 14, 2011; the views would be compiled by the secretariat for presentation to the Board at its March 2011 meeting;
- (b) If a country required a project formulation grant, a request should be made at the same time as the submission of a project concept to the secretariat. The secretariat will review and forward it to the PPRC for a final recommendation to the Board. A PFG could only be awarded when a project concept was presented and endorsed;
- (c) A PFG form, reproduced in Annex V, should be submitted;

- (d) Only activities related to country costs would be eligible for PFG funding;
- (e) A flat rate of up to US\$30,000 shall be provided, inclusive of the management fee, which cannot exceed 8.5 per cent of the grant amount. The flat fee would be reviewed by the Board at its thirteenth and all subsequent meetings;
- (f) If the final project document is rejected, any unused funds shall be returned to the Adaptation Fund Trust Fund;
- (g) Once a project/programme formulation grant is disbursed, a fully developed project document should come to the Board for approval within 12 months. No additional grants for project preparation can be received by a country until the fully developed project/programme document has been submitted to the Board; and
- (h) The Trustee was instructed to remove the set-aside of US\$100,000 for project preparation that had been decided at the June 2010 meeting, as project preparation would be approved on a project-by-project basis.

5. At the twenty-sixth meeting, the Board decided to revise the operational policies and guidelines to amend the review process for small-size project and programme proposals so that:

- (a) *Small-size project and programme proposals can be submitted using a two-step review cycle, as an alternative to the one-step review cycle; and*
- (b) *Small-size project and programme proposals are eligible for project formulation grants, at the time of endorsement of the concept for such proposal, provided that the total budget of the proposed concept is not less than US\$ 500,000.*

(Decision B. 26/29)

II. The Project Formulation Grant Request

6. This addendum to the document AFB/PPRC.21/28 “Proposal for (Burkina Faso, Côte Mali)” includes the Project Formulation Grant, requesting a budget of US\$ 20,000, which was received by the secretariat along with the concept for the project AFR/NIE/Food/2017/1 “Adapted Building: Transformative Practices for Better Building in the Sahel”. This proposal was submitted on time by the Sahara and Sahel Observatory (OSS), which is a Regional Implementing Entity of the Adaptation Fund, for its consideration by the Adaptation Fund Board at its thirtieth meeting.

7. In accordance with Decision B.12/28 paragraph (b), the secretariat carried out an initial review of the PFG request and found that the document provided detailed information on the use of the requested funds. The proposed activities were aligned with the goal of the project and would support a study of the state of policies about Adapted Building in Burkina Faso and Mali, support complementary studies on Climate Change impacts and vulnerability of population and natural resources in both countries, and organize consultations with the key stakeholders.

8. Therefore, the PPRC may want to consider and recommend to the Board to approve the PFG Request.



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Project Formulation Grant (PFG)

Submission Date: 04 August 2017

Adaptation Fund Project ID:

Countries: **Burkina Faso, Mali**

Title of Project: **ADAPTED BUILDING: TRANSFORMATIVE PRACTISES FOR BETTER BUILDING IN THE SAHEL**

Type of IE: **RIE**

Implementing Entity: **Sahara and Sahel Observatory (OSS)**

Executing Entities: **Regional level:** Project Management Team (PMT) hosted by NUBIAN VAULT ASSOCIATION (AVN)

National level: National Project Management Units (NPMUs):

- Burkina Faso: Ministry of Environment, Green Economy and Climate Change
- Mali: Agency for the Environment and Sustainable Development

A. Project Preparation Timeframe

Start date of PFG	Upon Pre-Concept Note approval date
Completion date of PFG	4 months after Pre-Concept Note approval date

B. Proposed Project Preparation Activities (\$)

Describe the PFG activities and justifications:

List of Proposed Project Preparation Activities	Output of the PFG Activities	US\$ Amount
Preparatory Studies	Study of the state of policies about Adapted Building in Burkina Faso and Mali	6 000
Vulnerability Assessments	Complementary studies on Climate Change impacts and vulnerability of population and natural resources in Burkina Faso and Benin	6 000
Workshop	One Regional Concertation Workshop with stakeholders and local communities from Burkina Faso and Mali	8 000
Total Project Formulation Grant		20 000

C. Implementing Entity

This request has been prepared in accordance with the Adaptation Fund Board's procedures and meets the Adaptation Fund's criteria for project identification and formulation.

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