

KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT AT THE ADAPTATION FUND

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Agenda

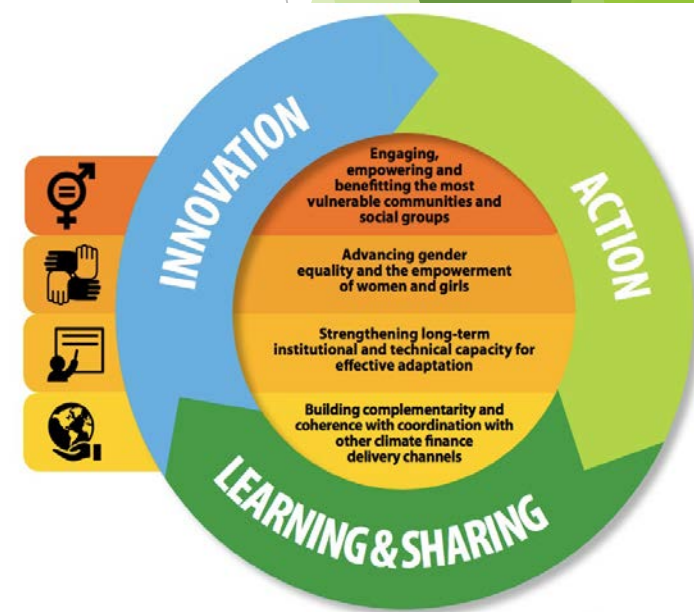
- Knowledge Management in the context of the Adaptation Fund: KM Strategy and Medium-Term Strategy (MTS)
- AF Knowledge Management approach
- KM activities at the Adaptation Fund
- Learning grants
- Support available to NIEs

AF Knowledge Management Strategy & Action Plan

- Approved in October 2016
- Objective: enhance recipient countries' knowledge to reduce vulnerability and increase adaptive capacity, especially of the most vulnerable communities
- Currently under implementation

Medium-Term Strategy (MTS)

- 3 pillars: Action, Innovation and Learning & Sharing
- Learning & sharing builds on the Fund's KM Strategy and Action Plan to continuously:
 - Improve Fund policies and performance through effective learning and sharing
 - Support collaborative learning and sharing across adaptation communities of practice
- Objective of pillar: support learning and sharing about adaptation finance and action through:
 - ER1: lessons learned from Fund processes and projects/programs captured and effectively communicated to adaptation actors around the world
 - ER2: Practical knowledge gained and guidance provided around themes/sectors
 - ER3: Analytical capacity strengthened in developing country Parties





AF APPROACH TO KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT

1. Knowledge management in project/programs

- Knowledge management embedded in AF funded projects/programs since the inception of its operations
- Puts emphasis on the importance of capturing and disseminating lessons learned
- Mandatory learning and knowledge management component grouped in a single component or part of a larger component
- Submission of annual PPRs, including a “lessons learned” section

2. Knowledge activities implemented through the MTS - 3rd pillars

- Studies & publications
- Knowledge exchanges
- Partnerships with knowledge institutions, think tanks, academia
- Partnerships with other climate funds and hosting events around different themes
- Regional/global climate change adaptation conferences
- Lessons learned through micro-grants
- Capturing and integrate knowledge from Readiness and Accreditation
- Knowledge produced through webinars, seminars, communities of practice

Difference between knowledge products/activities generated under products vs. those submitted under Learning grants

KM COMPONENT/LEARNING IN PROJECTS/PROGRAMS

- Specific to the objectives of the projects
- Tailored towards the outcomes of the project components
- Examples: handbooks and training materials, guidelines, project videos, project stories, assessment studies, technical studies, reports, publications, TV documentaries, etc.

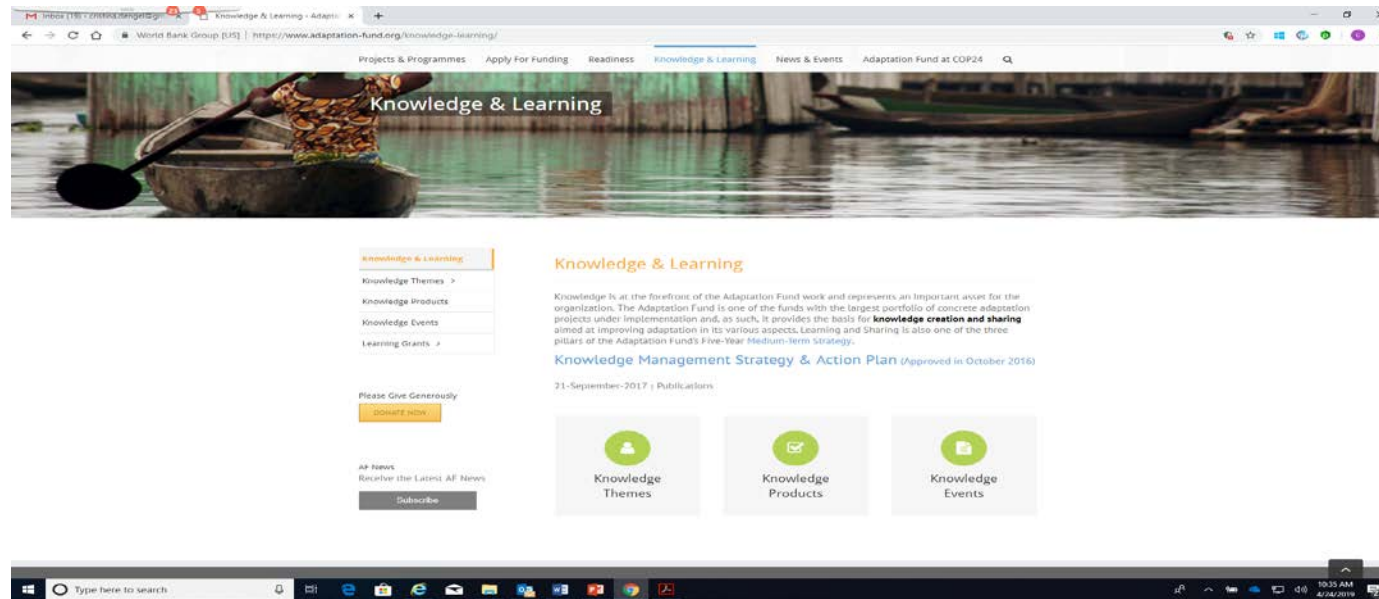
LEARNING GRANTS

- Resources can be used to extract knowledge gained at the institutional level with the climate change adaptation community/ networks at the national, regional and international level
- production of baseline studies that could be leveraged for replication and up-scaling purposes. Studies, publications and research material produced in collaboration with various executing partners as well as with national level universities, research institutions and civil
- collaborative knowledge and sharing efforts with respect to partnerships with diverse

KM ACTIVITIES AT THE ADAPTATION FUND

KM microsite: online repository of knowledge

- Purpose: to provide the most efficient ways and methodologies for the users to access relevant information related to adaptation and climate finance.



➤ E-learning course

- Purpose: increasing the capacity at national and subnational level in tackling the specific challenges and opportunities associated with the Direct Access modality
- Target audience: NIEs seeking accreditation, NIEs seeking reaccreditation, accredited NIEs who intend to submit proposals for AF funding
- Course will be interactive, contain case studies and quizzes and participants will be issued a certificate of completion
- To be launched by August 2019



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Two Publications:

➤ “Lessons learned and best practices captured from Portfolio Monitoring Missions (PMMs)”

- Distilling lessons learned (LL) from 13 PMMs (Argentina, Cambodia, Colombia, Ecuador, Egypt, Georgia, Honduras, Jamaica, Mongolia, Nicaragua, Senegal, Turkmenistan, Uruguay)
- Launched during COP24 in Katowice, Poland

➤ “Adaptation Fund Results Based Management through the Project Lifecycle”

- Objective: to offer an overview of Adaptation Fund results based management policies and guidelines to be considered at each step of the project cycle.
 - Serves as one-stop-shop by presenting a bird’s eye of all relevant policies and guidance documents that remain relevant at the time of project design, implementation and at project completion
 - Expected completion date: June 2019
- Further studies to be produced by theme/sector

LESSONS LEARNED AND SUCCESSFUL APPROACHES CAPTURED

FROM PORTFOLIO MONITORING MISSIONS



ADAPTATION FUND RESULTS BASED MANAGEMENT THROUGH THE PROJECT LIFECYCLE





Knowledge Platforms

Climate Finance Ready

- Architectural redevelopment completed in collaboration with CDKN
- Purpose of redevelopment: increase visibility of the Fund and to make existing content more easily navigable
- Editorial committee formed composed of AF Secretariat staff and CDKN staff to produce and validate content
- New content uploaded
- Website: www.climatefinanceready.org

Community of practice for Direct Access Entities (CPDAE)

- Committee composed of 6 NIEs to be the point of contact between the NIEs and the Secretariat and to drive the agenda of the community of practice forward
- First of the quarterly newsletter produced and disseminated to NIEs in Dec 2018 consisting of knowledge products and/or support from NIEs
- Content gathered for the second newsletter
- To be completed and disseminated by May 2019

Learning grants

- Approved by the AF Board in 2018
- Objective: to help encourage a culture of learning across institutions and help build NIE capacities
- They represent a window of opportunity to capture, study and disseminate practical lessons from adaptation interventions that are additional to KM activities already financed under Adaptation Fund approved projects/programs
- US\$ 2,000,000 in grants over the period 2018-2023 for up to US\$150,000/grant
- Eligibility: a) Be a national implementing entity (NIE) to the Adaptation Fund and have an accreditation status of “Accredited”; b) Have an AF-funded project that has reached the mid-point in implementation or where a Mid-Term Review or Evaluation (MTR/MTE) has been submitted and c) For projects that have a duration of less than 4 years, at least one Project Performance Report (PPR) should have been submitted.
- Eligible activities:
 - Lessons learnt
 - Studies and publications
 - Technical guidance briefs
 - Partnerships
 - Knowledge platforms
 - Adaptation financing workshops
 - Resource centers
 - Knowledge sharing events
 - Country exchanges
 - Learning courses



FURTHER SUPPORT PROVIDED BY THE AF TO NIEs FOR LEARNING

- Country exchanges:
 - next one to take place in Chile between May 6-19, hosted by AGCID
 - Topic: water management in the agriculture sector
- Workshops on different themes, including clinics
- Financial support for Communities of Practice
 - meeting to take place in Africa, June 3-7, 2019) co-hosted by AfDB and GCF
 - Main outcome: charter document for the Community of Practice for Direct Access Entities
- E-learning course - under development
- Readiness webinars
- Annual readiness seminars