Agenda: 2020 Virtual Workshop on Accessing Adaptation Finance

**Tuesday - 3 November 2020 (7:00am – 9:00am EST)**

Moderator: Mr. Farayi Madziwa, Team Lead (Readiness Programme), AFB Secretariat.

- **7:00am** Brief Introduction and greetings to the audience from the AFB secretariat – Mr. Mikko Ollikainen, Manager, AFB Secretariat
- **7:05am** Overview of AF and access modalities – Mr. Farayi Madziwa, AFB Secretariat
  - Q&A session
- **7:25am** Overview of the AF Accreditation process – Mr. Ishak Mohammed, Accreditation Consultant, AFB Secretariat
  - Q&A session
- **7:45am** Overview of the main mitigating factors to close the gaps and accreditation and introduction to the AF E-learning course
  - Ms. Silvia Mancini, Operations Officer (Accreditation), AFB Secretariat
  - Ms. Sophie Hans-Moevi, Senior Program Assistant, AFB Secretariat
  - Q&A session
- **8:15am** Readiness support for accreditation – Ms. Ishani Debnath, Readiness Support Consultant, AFB Secretariat
  - Q&A session
- **8:30am** Lessons learned on accreditation (AF accredited NIEs will share knowledge and their lessons learnt from going through the accreditation process)
  - Mr. Laode M Syarif, Executive Director, KEMITRAAN, Indonesia
  - Ms. Aissata Boubou Sall, Head of Climate Finance Unit, CSE, Senegal
  - Q&A session
- **9:00am** Conclusion – Mr. Mikko Ollikainen, AFB Secretariat

**Thursday – 5 November 2020 (5:00pm – 7:00pm EST)**

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  • Ms. Rashauna Adams-Matthew, Environment Social Safeguard and Gender Officer, DoE, Antigua and Barbuda
  Q&A session

7:00pm Conclusion – Mr. Mikko Ollikainen, AFB Secretariat

**Presenters will be asked to address the following questions:**

1. How has the AF accreditation process helped build the institutional capacity of your organization? Which of your organizational policies, systems or procedures have been strengthened as a result of the AF accreditation process? How has this enhanced your ability to access climate finance?

2. What would you consider to be the most important advice to national entities seeking to pursue accreditation with the Adaptation Fund? What worked for you during the accreditation process? Are there some aspects of the process that you could have done differently?

3. The Fund’s e-Learning Course on Direct Access is intended to, among others, help current and prospective implementing entities and DAs gain knowledge of the Fund’s requirements for accreditation as well as the Environmental, Social and Gender requirements for effective project formulation and implementation. How has taking the course improved your understanding of the AF accreditation process? What do you
consider to be the most important takeaways? Would you recommend the course to prospective NIEs, and why?

4. How has your accreditation and reaccreditation with the Adaptation Fund helped enhance your organization’s opportunities with the Fund and strengthened your approach to developing quality climate adaptation and resilience projects?

5. As a provider of accreditation support for the Adaptation Fund south-south cooperation grant, can you share with us your experience working with prospective applicants seeking AF accreditation? How does the process work? How does the support you give, help prospective NIE applicants navigate the accreditation process and meet the requirements of the accreditation criteria?