



ADAPTATION FUND

Overview of the Fund and Access to Adaptation Fund Resources

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- **Goal:**
 - ✓ Increase resilience through **concrete adaptation** projects & programmes
 - ✓ Focus on **most vulnerable countries and communities**
- **Innovative Features:**
 - ✓ Governed by **majority of developing countries**
 - ✓ **Levy on** Clean Development Mechanism **proceeds** & other sources of funding
 - ✓ **Direct access** alongside conventional access through international orgs



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DIRECT ACCESS

Provides developing countries with the opportunity to strengthen local capacity and to build on local expertise

BY THE NUMBERS

50%

OF NIEs ARE IN LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES (LDCs) OR SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES (SIDS)

32

NATIONAL IMPLEMENTING ENTITIES

32

APPROVED PROJECTS IN 22 COUNTRIES

8.7M direct beneficiaries
17.3M indirect beneficiaries
PEOPLE EXPECTED TO BENEFIT FROM NIE PROJECTS

US\$179,982,920
COMMITTED TO NIEs

105

current tangible
PROJECTS



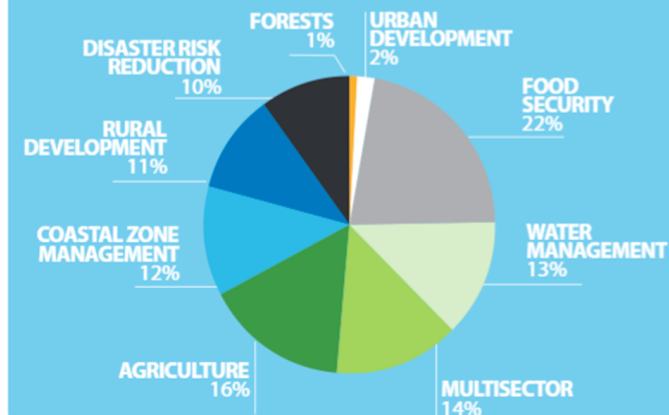
\$745 million
committed to
102 countries

102
COUNTRIES:

18
SIDS

28
LDCs

Adaptation Fund Investments



Projects approved by AFB since 2010

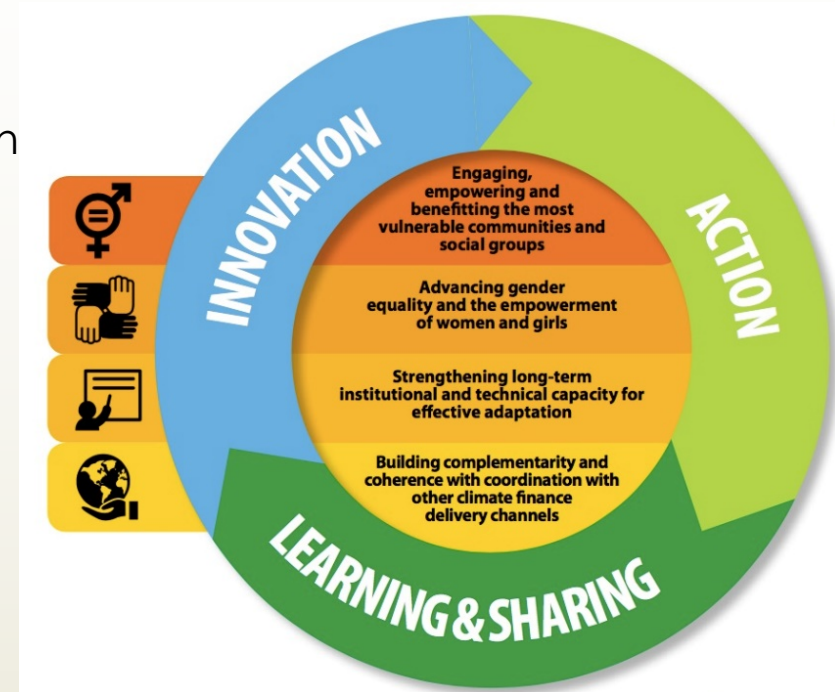


105 concrete projects and 36 readiness projects)

- 30 concrete projects implemented by NIEs
- 63 implemented by MIEs
- 12 implemented by RIEs

Medium-term Strategy (MTS): Approved in October 2017

- “Action”
 - Objective: Support the design & implementation of high-quality projects
 - Outputs: High-quality capacity developed in client countries; pipeline of scalable projects; and reduced vulnerability
- “Innovation”
 - Objective: Champion innovative approaches to adaptation (by others)
 - Outputs: Innovative projects replicated in new countries; innovative practices, products & tech scaled-up
- “Learning and sharing”
 - Objective: Generate knowledge & communicate practical lessons from operational processes, projects & innovation portfolio
 - Outputs: Practical lessons from projects; specific knowledge on impact themes; stronger capacity for adaptation-related learning in client countries



Capacity-Building for Locally-led action through Finance

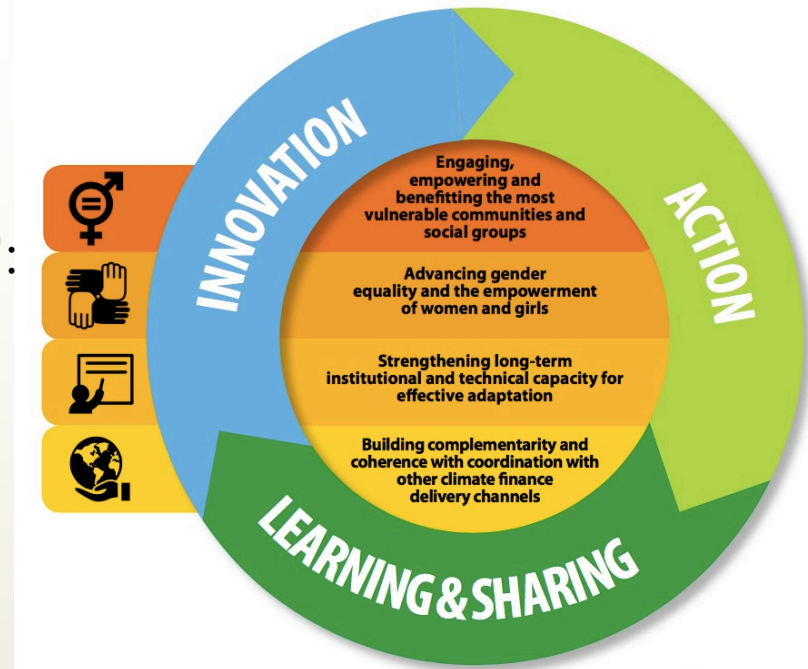
In addition to existing ones, new funding modalities:

➤ **“Action”**

- ❑ Window for “enhanced direct access”: US\$ 20 M per year (>10 grants)
- ❑ Scale-up microgrants: US\$ 200,000 per year (10 grants)

➤ **“Innovation”**

- ❑ Large grants (<US\$ 5 M) for rolling out, scaling up innovation: US\$ 90 M over 5 years (>18 grants)
- ❑ Micro-grants (<US\$ 250 k) for encouraging new innovation, creating evidence base: US\$ 16 M over 5 years (>64 grants)



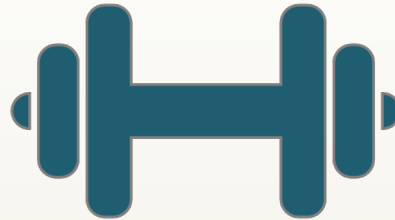
➤ **“Learning and sharing”**

- ❑ South-South learning microgrants (<US\$ 150 K) for sharing practices, lessons (ca. 15 grants)

Why become accredited?



Receive **direct finance transfers** to design, implement, and oversee climate projects

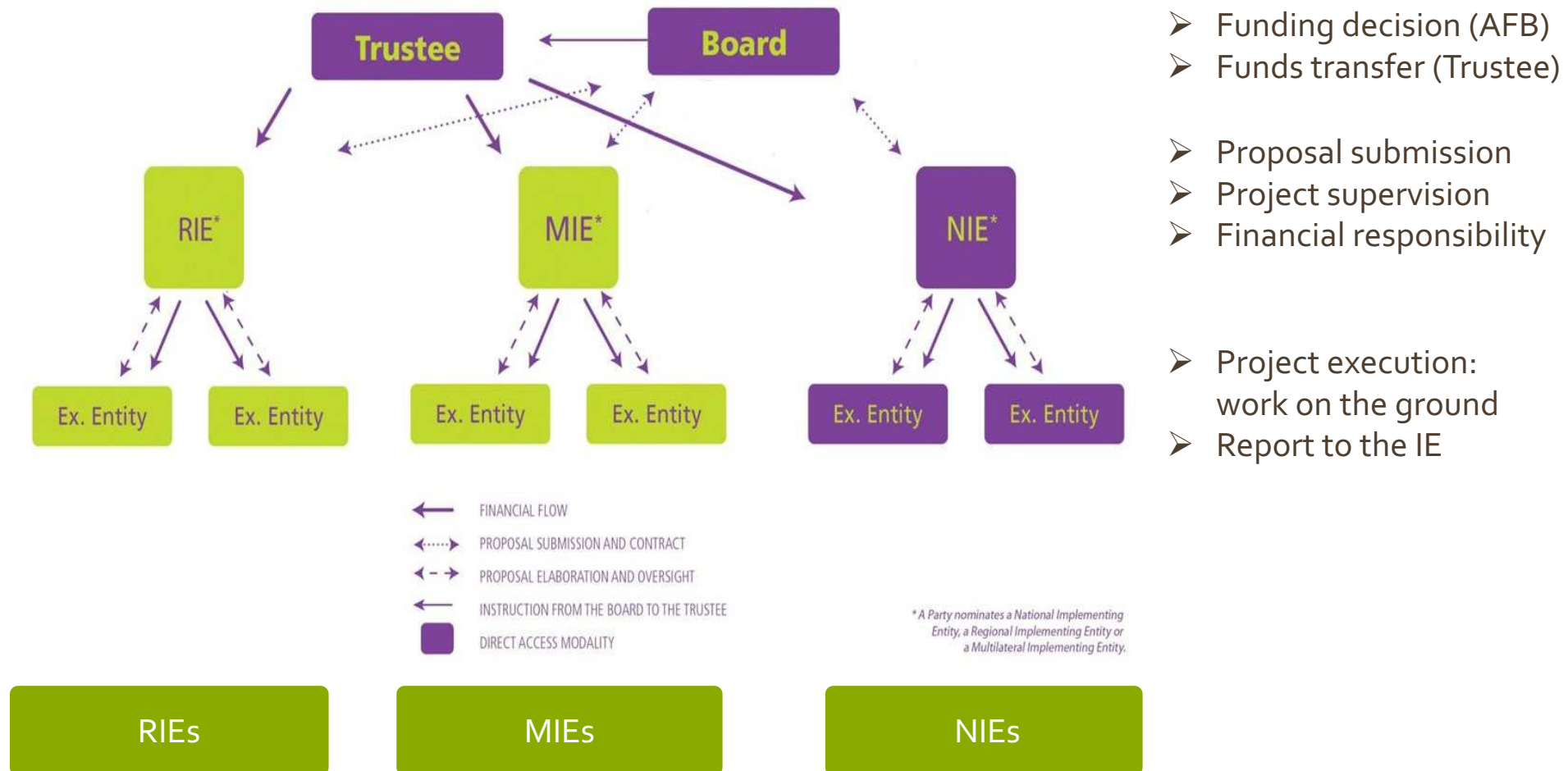


Build internal capacity and codify organizational systems



Garner international recognition

There are 3 modalities that developing countries can use to access Adaptation Fund resources



The number of direct access entities is increasing

51 accredited Implementing Entities

- ❖ 32 national Implementing Entities (NIEs)
- ❖ 6 Regional Implementing Entities (RIEs)
- ❖ 13 Multilateral Implementing Entities (MIEs)



Direct Access Modality

Adaptation Fund pioneered fully operational direct access to climate financing

- Objectives:

- ✓ **Direct Access**, whereby a country can access funds directly from the AF and other funds adopting similar modality to manage adaptation/mitigation projects, requires an accredited National Implementing Entity meeting the funds' fiduciary standards, environmental and social safeguards and gender policy

- Implementing Entities (IEs):

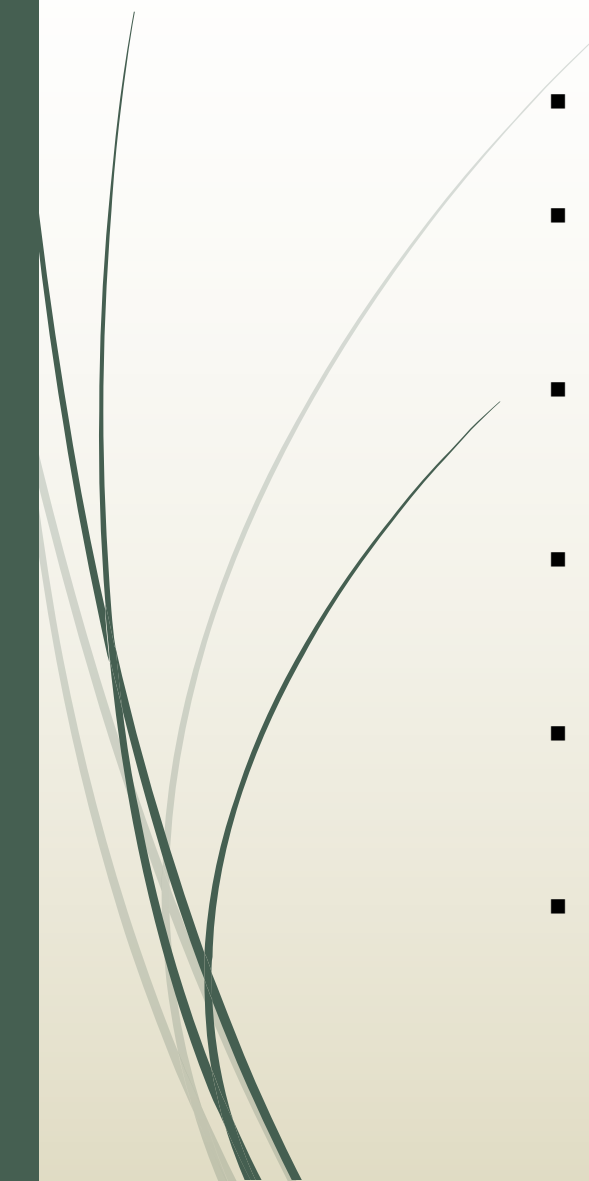
- ✓ **Bear full responsibility** for the **overall management** of the projects and programmes approved by the AFB; and
- ✓ Carry out **financial management, monitoring and reporting responsibilities** for the project.

DIRECT ACCESS





Benefits of Direct Access

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- Funds projects directly managed and led by countries
 - Elevates issues relating to climate change and adaptation to the national level
 - Improves intragovernmental collaboration and amplifies stakeholder voices
 - Fosters transparency, inclusiveness and competition in project formulation
 - Sustains institutional knowledge and enhances internal management
 - Empowers developing countries to build national adaptive capacities

Accreditation Related Documents

- **Guidance on Accreditation Standards**
 - **Accreditation Application Form**
 - **NIE Accreditation Toolkit**
 - **Guidelines for Designated Authorities to Select an NIE (*to be updated*)**
 - **Available at <https://www.adaptation-fund.org/apply-funding/accreditation/accreditation-application/>**
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