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Adaptation Fund Gobeshona Event

Challenges and Opportunities in the Monitoring of Locally-led Adaptation Initiatives

Date: March 15, 12 pm – 1:30 pm EST
| 10:00 pm – 11:30pm Dhaka time, virtual

Background

The Adaptation Fund has pioneered a modality through which developing countries could access climate finance through their own country institutions and systems. The Enhanced Direct Access (EDA) modality will offer opportunities that help build the capacity of local organizations to programme adaptation finance and design and implement their own projects through locally led action. To ensure that locally-led initiatives are effective and sustainable it is important to put in place sound institutional arrangements and robust monitoring systems, engaging local communities and executing partners.

The current AF Medium-Term Strategy (MTS) (2023-2027) places a particular emphasis on locally-led approaches to adaptation and expands the EDA finance modality, to place vulnerable populations at the center of decision-making through bottom-up, participatory, and transparent approaches to planning and implementing adaptation actions on the ground

A fundamental aspect for a successful locally-led adaptation initiative, is to have robust monitoring and institutional systems, which can support the efficient tracking of impacts at local level and create the enabling conditions for the model to be sustained and potentially be replicated.

Objective: This event will bring together national implementing partners from South Africa and Costa Rica, and a CSO partner from Georgia to share experiences from the Fund's groundbreaking Enhanced Direct Access programme and Locally Led Adaptation projects on the ground.

Target audience: Adaptation Fund Designated Authorities, National Implementing Entities' (NIEs) focal points and prospective NIEs, executing entities, practitioners in climate finance and other stakeholders.



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10:00pm – 10:05pm Welcome and introduction by the AF

Mr. Mahamat Assouyouiti, Senior Climate Change Specialist, Adaptation Fund

10:05pm-10:10pm Opening remarks – importance of DA and EDA

Mr. Mikko Ollikainen, Head of Adaptation Fund

10:10pm-10:15pm AFB Secretariat

Presentation of video on locally-led adaptation projects and programmes

10:15pm-10:25pm AF presentation: Fund's RBM and Strategic Results Framework and monitoring of projects considering local perspectives.

Ms. Martina Dorigo, Climate Change Specialist, Adaptation Fund

Panel discussion with AF Implementing Entities and representative of AF SCO Network

10:25pm-11:10pm Panel discussion

- Ms. Marianella Feoli, Fundecooperación para el Desarrollo Sostenible (Costa Rica)
- Ms. Mandy Barnett, South African National Biodiversity Institute (South Africa)
- Mariam Devidze - AF SCO Network (Georgia)

11:10pm-11:25pm Q&A

Facilitated by Ms. Cristina Dengel, Knowledge Management Coordinator, Adaptation Fund

11:25pm-11:30pm Closing remarks by the Adaptation Fund

Mr. Mahamat Assouyouiti - Senior Climate Change Specialist, Adaptation Fund