### GCF IN BRIEF ADAPTATION PLANNING





# CATALYSING ACTION AND FINANCE FOR COUNTRY ADAPTATION PRIORITIES

The Green Climate Fund (GCF) is committed to building the resilience of developing countries by supporting their efforts to adapt to the effects of climate change. GCF aims to deliver a 50:50 balance between adaptation and mitigation in its portfolio and ensure that at least 50 per cent of adaptation funding goes to particularly vulnerable countries, including Least Developed Countries (LDCs), Small Island Developing States (SIDS), and African States. A grant of up to USD 3 million is in place for the formulation of National Adaptation Plans (NAPs) and/or other adaptation planning processes.

This support strengthens national and local adaptation planning processes which are key building blocks of countries' ongoing efforts to bolster public and private decision making based on the best available science and on meaningful stakeholder engagement. It also helps countries attract investment in adaptation from a diversity of sources, as well as measure its impact over time.

## ADAPTATION PLANNING CATALYSES FINANCE FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Adaptation planning should include a comprehensive financing strategy to implement priority actions which countries identify in their NAPs and/ or other national strategic documents. This financing strategy can include a prioritised, validated, and costed pipeline of funding proposals, including but not exclusively for submission to GCF.

Adaptation planning processes provide a crucial evidence base for the design of project proposals for GCF and other sources of climate finance.

# FLEXIBLE USE OF GCF RESOURCES FOR ADAPTATION PLANNING

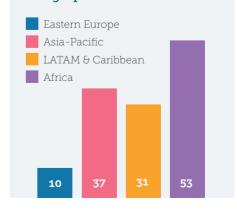
Countries have the option of accessing the USD 3 million cap through one proposal with one Delivery Partner, or through multiple sequential proposals. A phased approach to accessing the resources can enable countries to 'learn by doing' and thereby benefit from the iterative nature of adaptation planning. National Designated Authorities (NDAs) also have the flexibility to involve multiple Delivery Partners in different proposals and thereby access the most relevant expertise for formulation and implementation of adaptation planning activities. Adaptation planning proposals can be implemented by any organization even if they are not a GCF Accredited Entity, as long as they meet the minimum financial and fiduciary requirements of the <u>Financial Management</u> Capacity Assessment (FMCA).

#### **QUICK FACTS**

as of October 2022

- GCF has received 131 adaptation planning proposals for the formulation of NAPs and/or other adaptation planning processes under the GCF Readiness Programme.
- 2. GCF has approved 87 proposals, with a value of USD 193 million. An additional 44 proposals are being processed at various stages of review.
- 3. Since mid-2018, 23 countries have requested and received technical assistance to prepare adaptation planning proposals. Since 2021, additional support has been provided to help countries respond to GCF comments.

#### Geographical distribution



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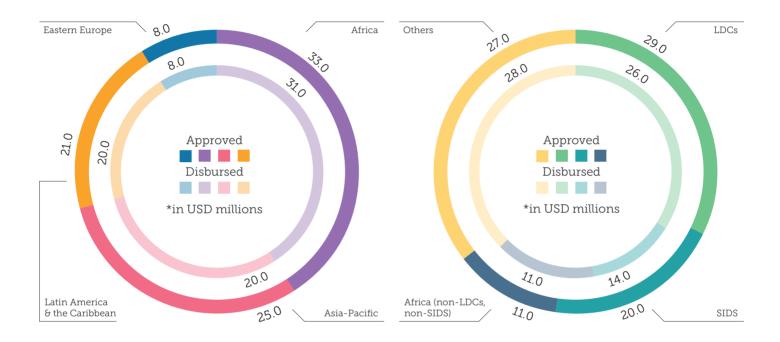
#### **LESSONS LEARNED**

- 1. Country ownership matters:
  - Proposal development, review of Secretariat's feedback, and direct role in implementation are hallmarks of strong NDA leadership.
- 2. Quality at entry matters:
  - Proposals that have strong country ownership and dedicated NDA and DP, and apply the <u>appraisal criteria</u> upon entry are likely to reduce the time from submission to approval (fastest example: five months with three review rounds).
- 3. Responsiveness to feedback matters:

Answers to GCF's review comments should be directly reflected in revised proposals. This reduces the number of comments in subsequent review rounds. GCF provides dedicated support through consultations with NDAs and DPs to clarify comments and reduce rounds of review.

### PROPOSALS APPROVED AND DISBURSED, BY REGION

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