



### Update on the CTCN's activities in 2021

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## Key Achievements in 2021 -Innovation

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#### Adaptation Fund Innovation Programme

**Adaptation Fund Climate Innovation Accelerator Programme** 

♦ Over 200 applications received to date (approx. 60% from LDC and SIDS) →13 project concept notes selected (funding available for 25)

#### Youth Climate Innovation Labs & Academy

- Over 1,300 applications received from young innovators from 74 countries
- 19 promising start-ups pitched their technology solutions

#### **Blockchain Technologies for Climate Policy Implementation**

- 5-week interactive online course for NDEs
- ✤ 6 webinars with leading experts from public and private sector



#### Blockchain Technology for Climate Policy

A 6-week webinar series on blockchain technology for clir mitigation and adaptation in developing countries.

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- Policy frameworks that are effective enablers for Research & Development and Innovation on adaptation technologies
- How can technology advances (e.g IcT, remote sensing, AI) be transferred to new contexts to provide innovation on old tried and tested technologies (e.g strengthening climate information systems)
- Outcomes from the creation of regulatory sandboxes (testing environments for innovation and regulation) to pilot blockchain solutions
- How can policy frameworks help capture momentum on true and tested nature-based solutions

## Key Achievements in 2021 -Implementation



## 23 TAs completed in 2021 and 61 new requests received → total of 332 requests received to date from 108 countries

#### Africa

- Circular economy waste stream specific CE roadmaps and feasibility studies for CE technologies
- Use of photovoltaics in the context of energy-water-food-nexus
- E-mobility regulations and incentives
- Technology Needs Assessments

#### **Asia-Pacific**

- In Pacific: renewable energy, energy efficiency, low carbon transport
- In Asia: increase in adaptation and cross-sectoral requests
- ✤ Demand we see going forward → technologies to address energy-water-food-nexus; early warning systems; decision support systems for resilience and roadmaps for eMobility and Green Hydrogen

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- Increase in adaptation requests, e-mobility and resilient infrastructure systems
- ↔ Circular economy  $\rightarrow$  potential for regional replicability and scale up
- Energy sector and Green hydrogen  $\rightarrow$  opportunity for the region to become a global supplier



#### Ensure that TEC policy paper and publications are developed with enhanced input or feedback from the AB or CTCN to reflect the CTCN's large portfolio on technology transfer

- \* E.g TEC ongoing work on NSI and low carbon transport  $\rightarrow$  incorporate findings from CTCN TAs and reflections on the role of the CTCN
- \* CTCN working on a compilation of good practices and lessons learned in the set-up and implementation of NSI

#### Co-create future knowledge work with the AB and CTCN

- E.g Policy recommendations to help guide countries where implementation of proven technologies in new contexts is taking place simultaneously with policy development
- Policy reflections on climate technologies that can address the triple planetary crisis (climate-pollution-biodiversity)
  - E.g Looking at environmentally sound technologies and the required enabling environment within the context of Circular Economy targeting the waste sector and Low-GHG Construction Materials

## Key Achievements in 2021 – Enabling environment and capacity building



#### **SME Technology Clinics**

- ✤ Incubator programme for industrial SMEs → transition from conventional to climate-friendly technologies
- \* 27 SMEs matched to financial and technology providers in Kenya and Tanzania
- ✤ 2 GCF Concept Notes developed to scale up implementation

#### **Gender Just Climate Solutions Award & Mentoring programme**

- Over 150 applications for the 2021 award programme
- ✤ 3 award winners and 93 participant in capacity-building sessions and online mentoring

### **Regional forums for NDEs**

- Over 500 participants in 2021
- Great demand for Capacity Building of NDEs & awareness raising of the roles of NDEs and the Technology Mechanism

### **Enhancing Public Awareness**

- CTCN mentioned **1,070 times** in national and global press (29,7% increase compared to 2020)
- Participated in 39 events; conducted 27 webinars, authored / co-authored 7 publications



- Investigation of the effectiveness of incubator programmes (e.g SME technology clinics) and recommendations for enabling environments to promote engagement of SMEs
- Reflection on the enabling environments and capacity building that would maximize the impactfullness of the NDE role at the national level
- ✤ Joint planning and implementation of high-level events on agreed key thematic issues
- Jointly host a Technology Pavilion at COPs and SBs
- Disseminate Technology Mechanism implementation findings and policy work jointly at regional knowledge sharing events

## Key Achievements in 2021 – Collaboration and stakeholder engagement



#### **Growing Network of Climate Technology Providers**

- ♦ 84 new Network Members in 2021 → bringing the total number to 707
- Strengthened sectoral expertise of Network → Waste mgmt, Water, Early Warning and Environmental Assessment

#### Latin America and Caribbean Circular Economy Coalition

- CTCN as a strategic partner of the Coalition
- CTCN contributing to work on interlinkages between NSI and Circular Economy
- CTCN technical assistance projects to develop a common understanding for climate change metric in Circular Economy measures

#### **Engaging Youth, Women and Indigenous Peoples**

- Youth Knowledge Exchange programme launched
- Gender analysis of past CTCN technical assistance
- CTCN communicated to the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform its interest to collaborate



- Look at collaborating mechanisms that favour collaboration and stakeholder engagement in the context of climate technologies, in particular with the private sector
- Case studies on methodologies to measure progress on complex multisectoral technological transformation pathways (e.g Circular Economy)
- Jointly scale up the engagement of youth, women and indigenous people in the work of the Technology Mechanism

## Key Achievements in 2021 – Support

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#### **Engagement with financing entities**

- Continued collaboration with AF, GCF, GEF, NDC Partnership
- Ambition moving forward:
  - Multi-country, large scale project development
  - Programmatic approach on adaptation and climate technology

#### **Facilitating access to financing**

- ✤ 55 technical employees of Ministries and institutions trained in Eswatini and Sudan → 8 GCF Concept Notes developed

#### **Anticipated funding leveraged in 2021**

♦ 32 Concept Notes for further financing developed in 2021 → 178 million USD could be leveraged



- Enabling conditions and/or policy frameworks that facilitate access to finance to scale up (including the private sector)
- When constituency bodies or other stakeholders ask for inputs from the TEC or CTCN from a climate technology perspective, including when it relates to issues on climate financing, consider joint TEC-CTCN submissions



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