



ADAPTATION FUND

Role of Designated Authority

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Designated Authority (DA) is:

- The Government focal point towards the Adaptation Fund Board / AFB Secretariat
- Responsible for endorsing the use of selected implementation modality
 - NIE, MIE or RIE?
 - Which organization is the most suitable?
 - If NIE, which organization best meets criteria for applying accreditation?



Designated Authority (DA) is:

- Responsible for endorsing each project/ programme submitted for AF funding from the country
 - Understanding of the needs and priorities
 - Knowledge of adaptation-related and sector strategies and policies
 - Understanding of other adaptation activities taking place (avoidance of duplication)



“The Designated Authority shall confirm that the endorsed project/programme proposal is in accordance with the government’s national or regional priorities in implementing adaptation activities to reduce adverse impacts of, and risks posed by, climate change in the country or region.”



Designated Authority (DA) is:

- Responsible for observing project/programme during implementation
 - Reviewing mid-term report
 - Ensuring that government continues to endorse
 - The Implementing Entity
 - The project or programme being implemented
- Eligible to call off project implementation if it ceases to endorse the IE or the project



Designated Authority (DA) is:

- A person, not an institution
 - Clarity on authority
- Specifically appointed to this task
 - Not automatically through other focal point roles, such as DNA, GEF Focal Point, etc.
- Has to bear sufficient authority at the government level to perform this function.

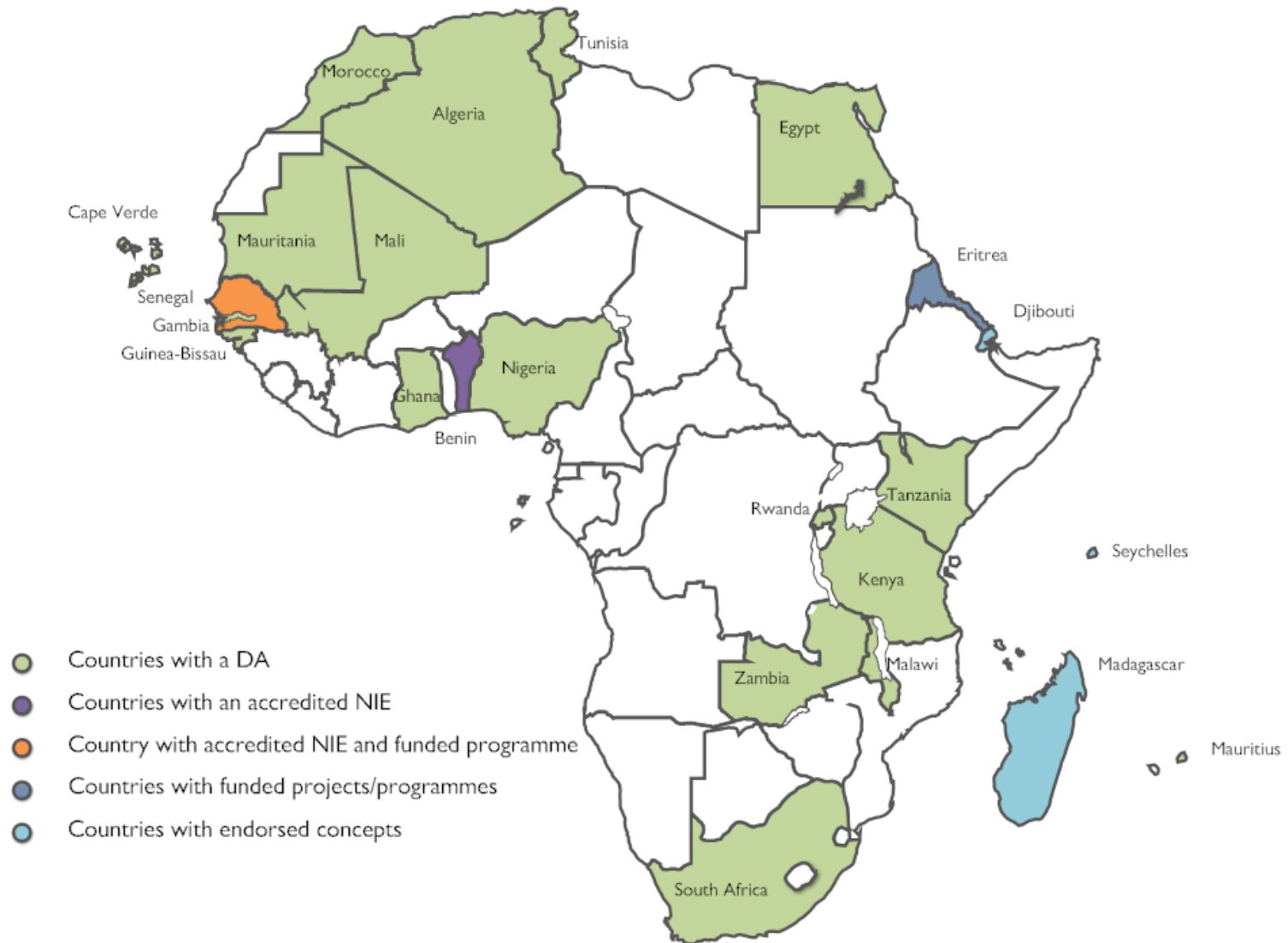


Appointment of DA

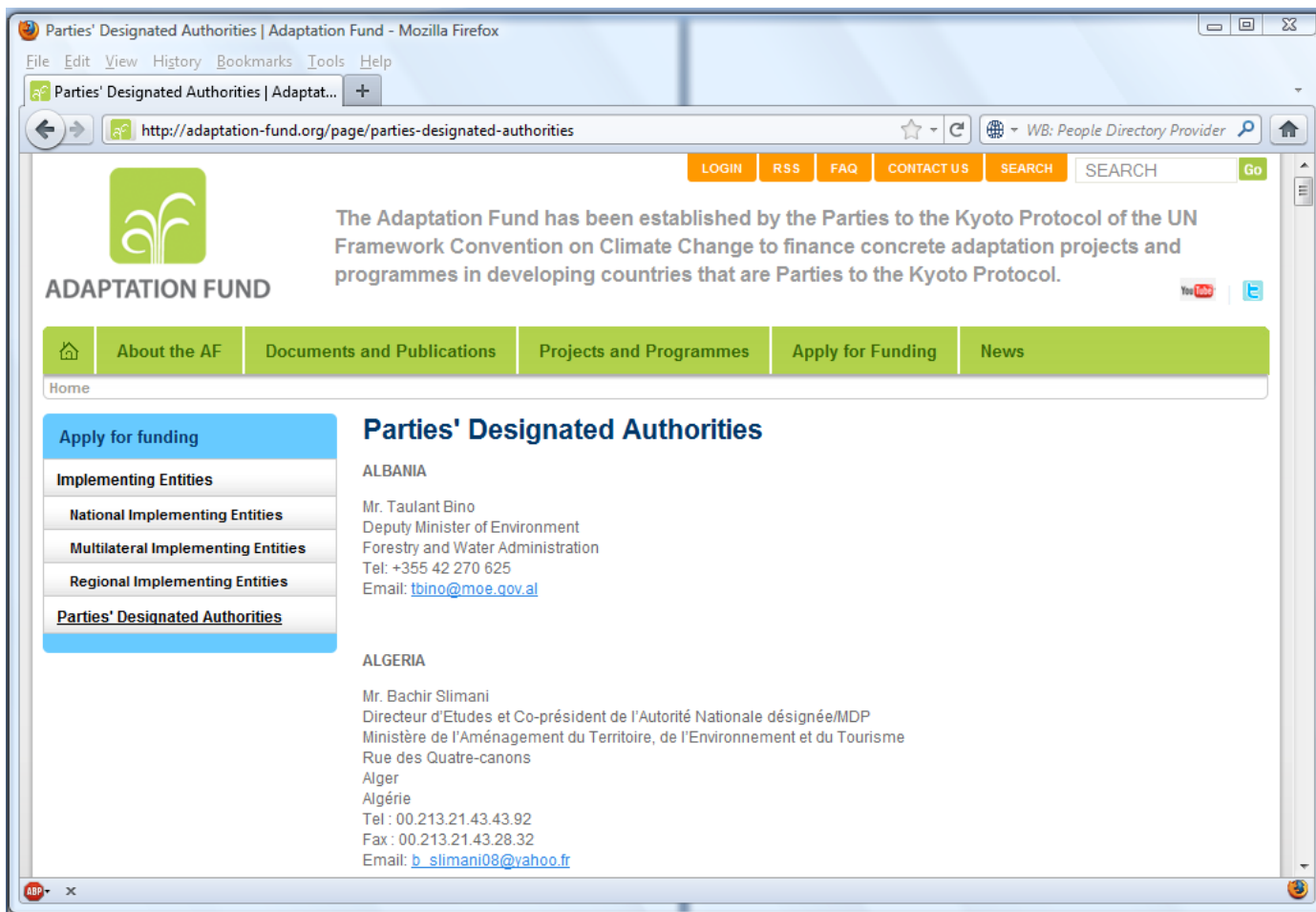
- The Adaptation Fund Board on April 8, 2010 sent out letters to all eligible countries requesting them to appoint DAs.
- The communication to the secretariat shall be made in writing and signed by either a Minister, an authority at cabinet level, or the Ambassador of the Party.
- As of August 24: 66 DAs – 24 in Africa



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DAs Listed on AF website



The screenshot shows a Mozilla Firefox browser window displaying the Adaptation Fund website. The page title is "Parties' Designated Authorities | Adaptation Fund". The URL in the address bar is "http://adaptation-fund.org/page/parties-designated-authorities". The website features a green logo with a stylized plant and the text "ADAPTATION FUND". A navigation menu includes "Home", "About the AF", "Documents and Publications", "Projects and Programmes", "Apply for Funding", and "News". The main content area is titled "Parties' Designated Authorities" and lists information for Albania and Algeria.

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The Adaptation Fund has been established by the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change to finance concrete adaptation projects and programmes in developing countries that are Parties to the Kyoto Protocol.

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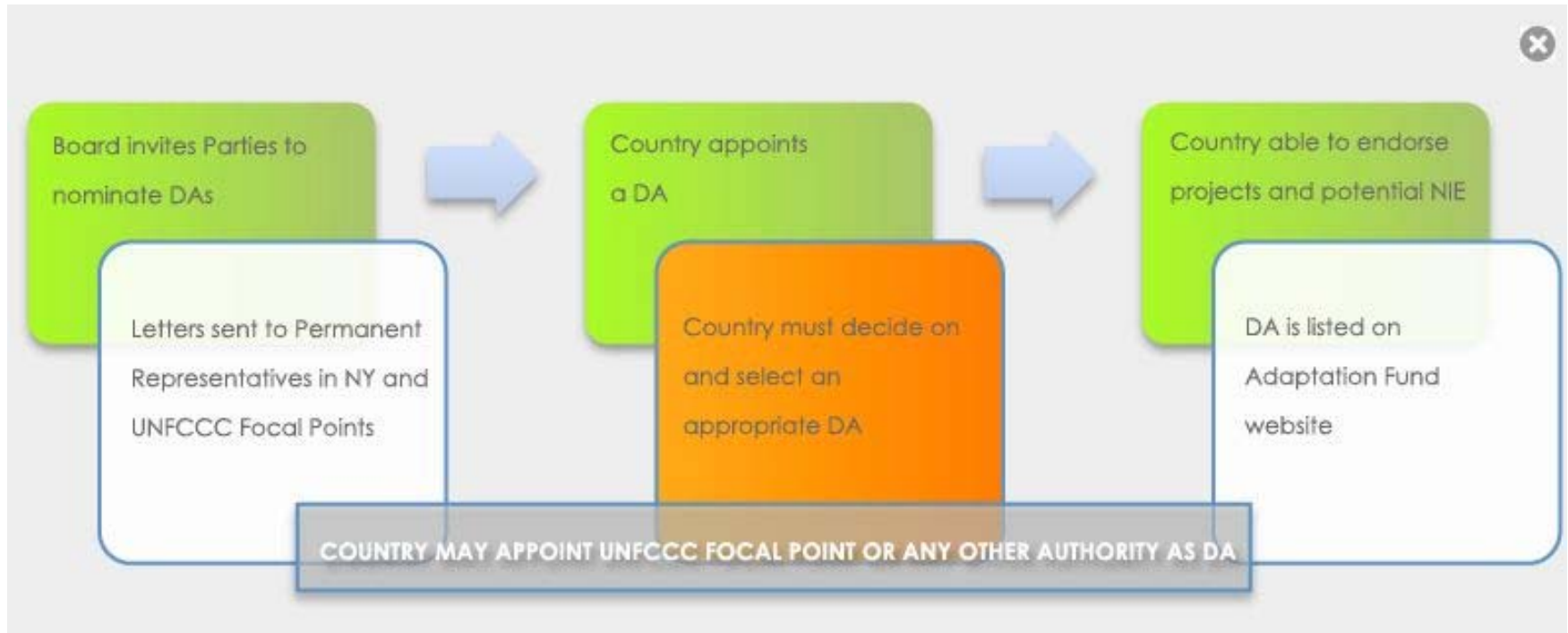


When to appoint a DA?

- Even if there is no active plan to have an AF project in the country, having a DA appointed ensures that the country can readily endorse national/regional implementing entities and project ideas
- Deciding on DA may take some time
- If no project / accreditation application, no additional burden to DA



DA appointment process



Note: More information in the NIE Accreditation Toolkit

