The Gender Policy and Direct Access Funding by Adaptation Fund

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Adaptation Fund and the Direct Access Modality

- **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.

- **Innovative Features of AF:**
  - Governed by majority of developing countries
  - Levy on Clean Developing Mechanism proceeds & other resources of funding;
  - Direct access alongside conventional access through international organizations.
Since 2010 the Fund has approved US$ 357.5 million for 63 countries.

55 concrete projects:
- 35 implemented by MIEs
- 2 implemented by RIEs
- 18 implemented by NIEs

Funds available for new projects:
- For MIEs: US$ 35.3 M
- For NIEs/RIEs: US$ 84.6 M
- Regional pilot: US$ 29.6 M
Gender has been integrated in Adaptation Fund before AF Gender Policy was adopted.

- Principle 5 of ESP: Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment
- Gender consideration at project proposal review stage
- AF Result Framework: Project performance report (PPR) results tracker
The Gender integration in Adaptation Fund

Accreditation

**Readiness Programme**: Technical Assistance Grant for NIE’s Gender Capacity Building

Concrete Adaptation Project Financing
AF Gender sensitive project example 1: Rwanda “Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change in North West Rwanda through Community Based Adaptation”
AF Gender sensitive project example 2

Senegal: Adaptation to Coastal Erosion in Vulnerable Areas
AF Gender sensitive project example 3 in Ecuador (implemented by WFP): Enhancing resilience of communities to the adverse effects of climate change on food security, in Pichincha Province and the Jubones River basin.
AF Gender sensitive project example 4
South Africa: Building Resilience in the Greater uMngeni Catchment