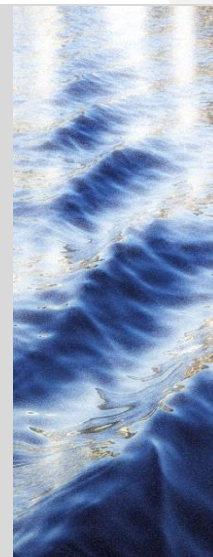




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Accelerating and scaling up adaptation action, innovation & learning

Progress under the Adaptation Fund
Medium-Term Strategy (2018 – 2022)



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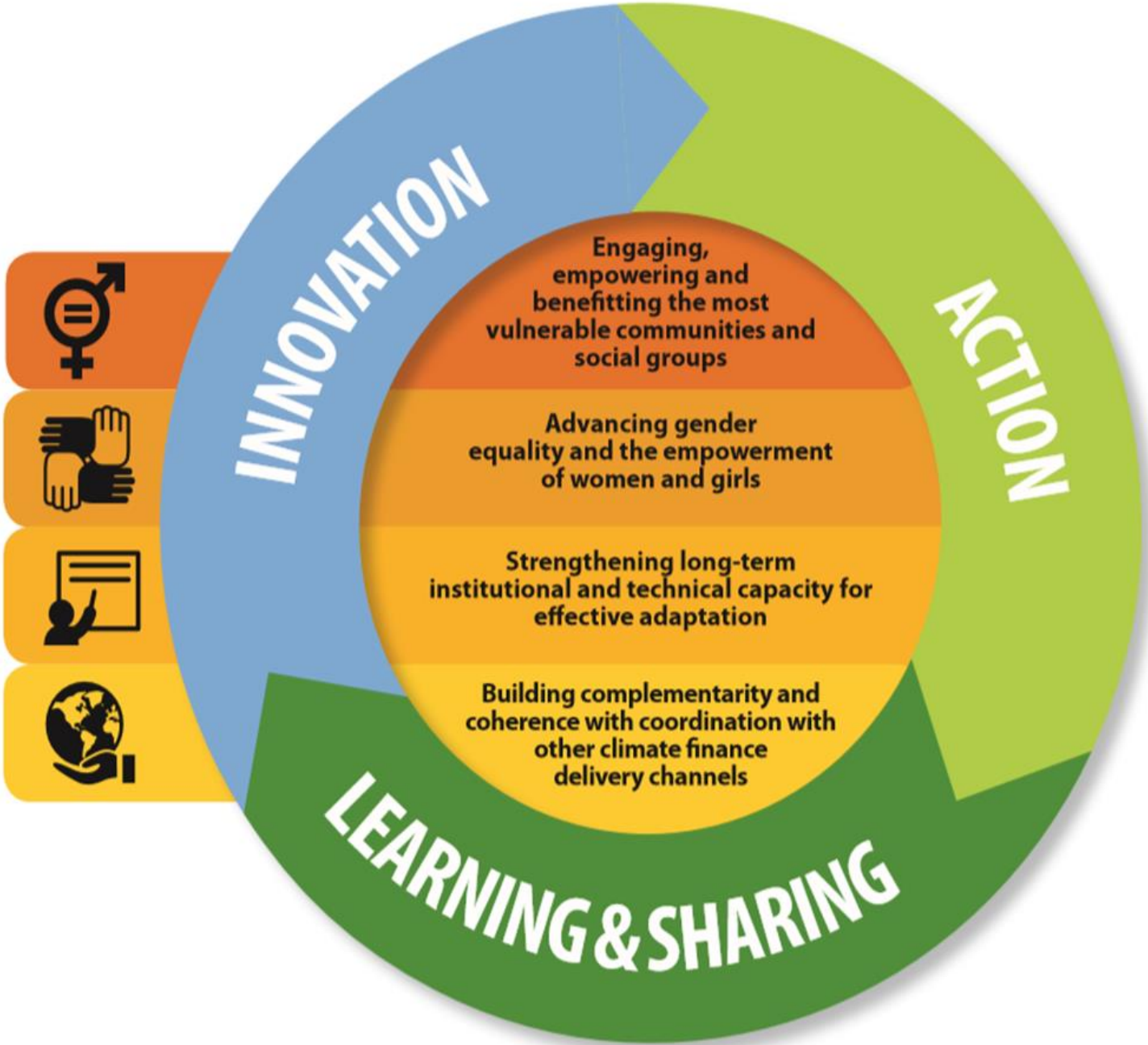


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Three Strategic Pillars



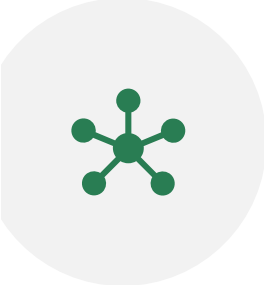
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Concrete projects
Readiness, scaling up



Innovation

Innovative features of AF
Investment in innovation

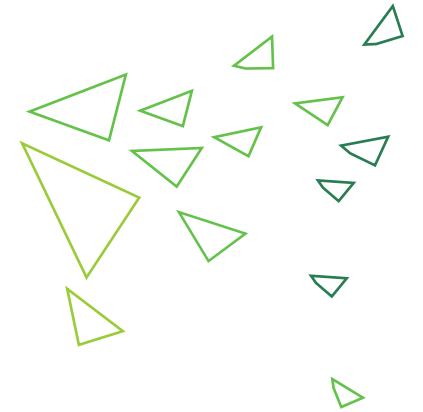


Learning & Sharing

Increase broad impact
with limited resources



Action



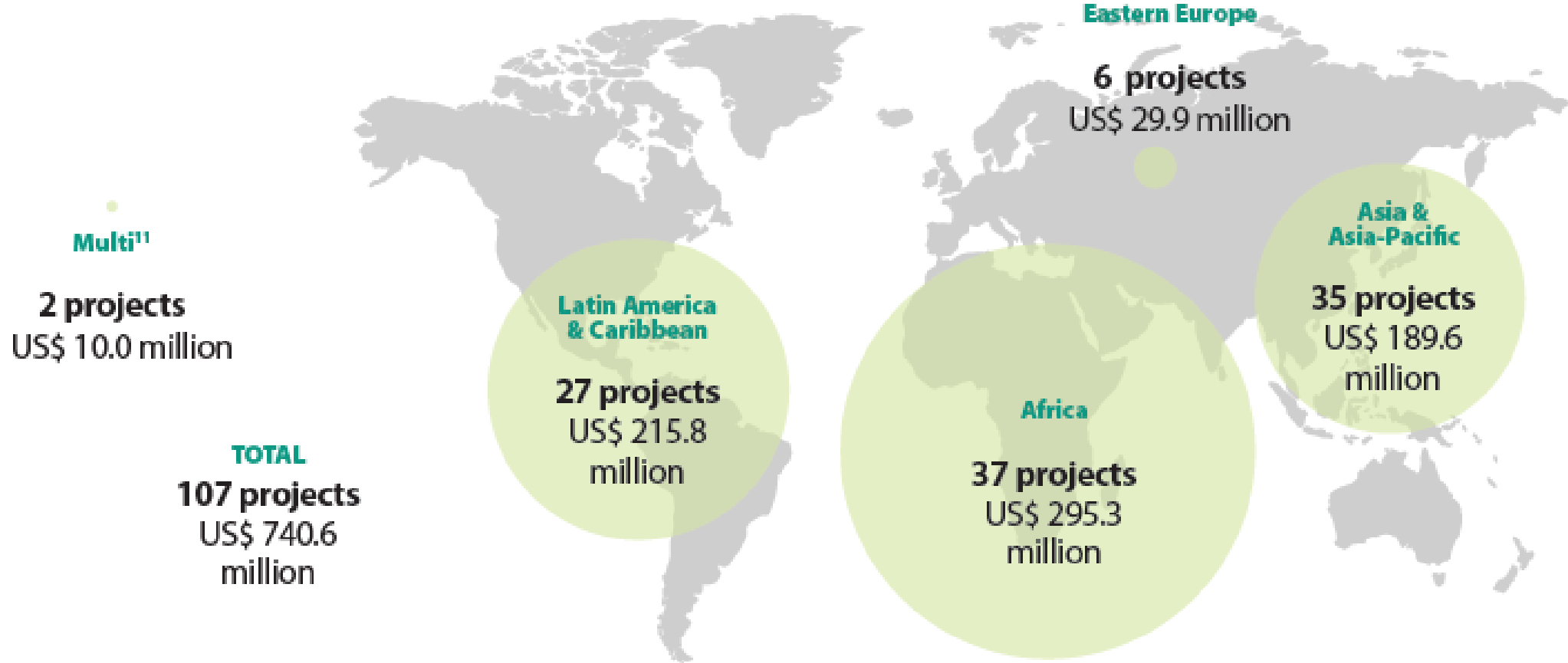
Supporting concrete
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Adaptation Fund Investments by Region



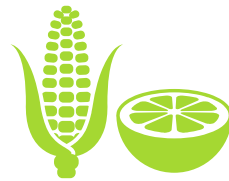
Project portfolio to date: All projects tailored to local adaptation needs and country-driven



- Disaster Risk Reduction
19%



- Food Security
17%



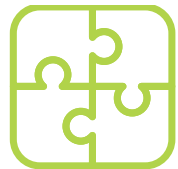
- Agriculture
13%



- Water Management
12%



- Rural Development
12%



- Multi-sector
11%



- Coastal management
7%



- Ecosystem-based adaptation
4%



- Urban Development
4%



- Forests
1%



Results Driven Implementation: Aggregation of Fund Indicators



17.8 Million Indirect Beneficiaries

9.1 Million Direct Beneficiaries



408 Early Warning Systems



97 Policies introduced or adjusted to address Climate Change Risks



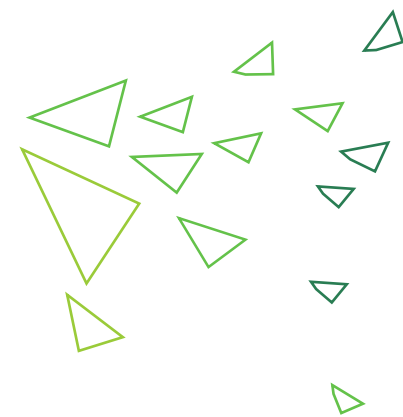
406,841 Hectares of Natural Habitats Protected or Rehabilitated



161,775 Meters of Coastline Protected



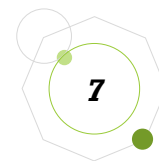
Innovation



Various financing opportunities launched to support innovation in adaptation



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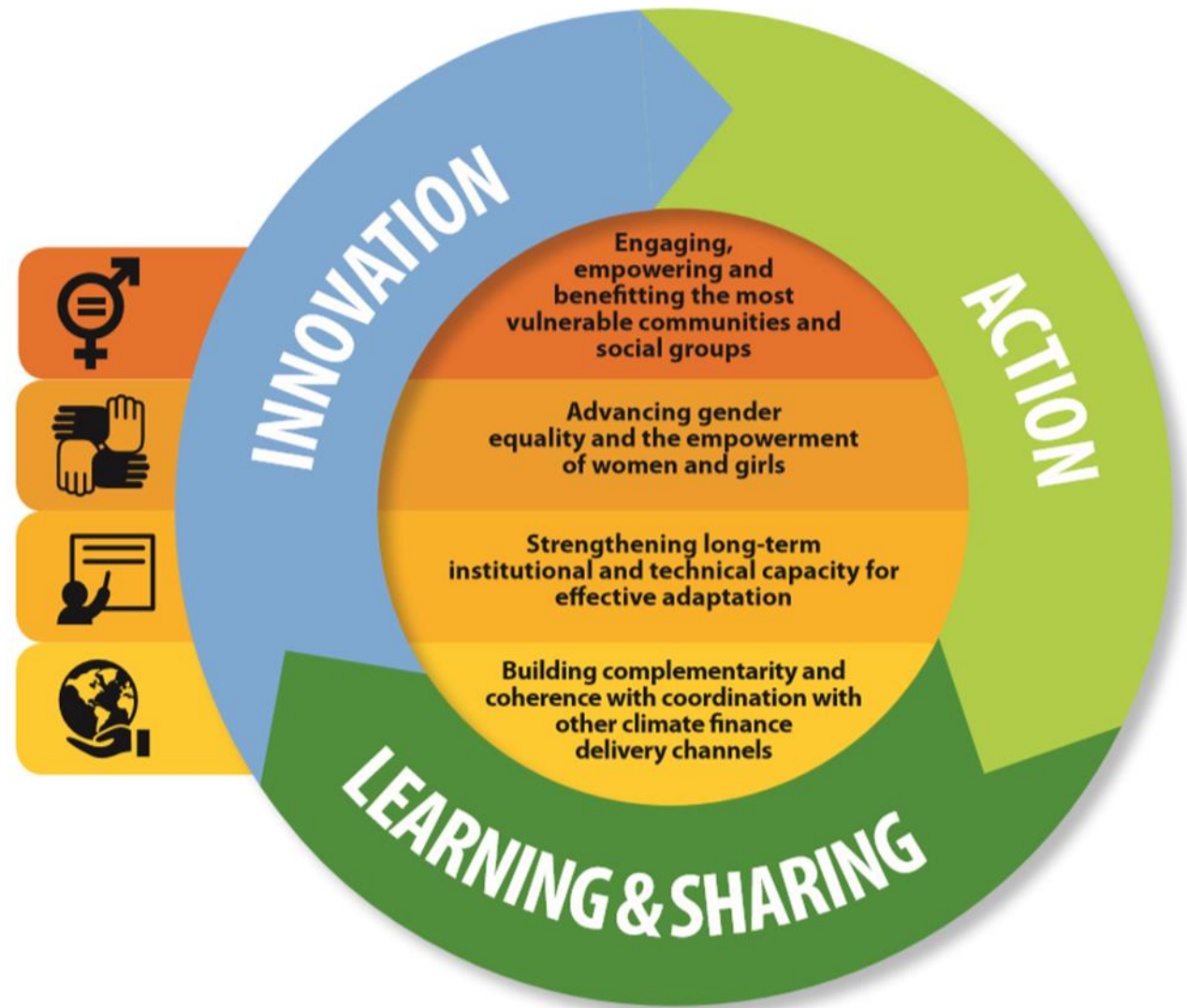


Innovation Facility: Small and Large Grants with the objective to:

- a) roll out successful innovations;
- b) scale up viable innovations;
- c) encourage and accelerate innovations; and
- d) generate evidence of effective and efficient innovation in adaptation.

Innovation as a Strategic Focus for Adaptation

The Adaptation Fund's Medium-Term Strategy established the Innovation Facility



Innovation funding opportunities



Small Grants for Innovation – Direct Access

Small grants are made available directly to the Fund’s accredited National Implementing Entities



Small Grants – AFCIA

Small grants available through UNDP and UNEP-CTCN to applicants that are not accredited with the Fund,

www.adaptation-undp.org/smallgrantaggagator

and

www.ctc-n.org/afcia



Large Grants for Innovation

Grants of up to US\$ 5 M open to all accredited Implementing Entities (first call expected in spring 2021)



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Knowledge & Learning

- Implemented through 3rd pillar of the Medium-Term Strategy (MTS): Learning & Sharing
- It builds on the revised Knowledge Management Framework & Action Plan (approved in 2016)
- Objective: support learning and sharing about adaptation finance and action
- Expected results:
 - ER1 – Lessons learnt and shared.
 - ER2 – Knowledge and guidance developed.
 - ER3 – Analytical capacity strengthened.

E-Learning: Unlocking Adaptation Funding

- Available in English, Spanish and French
- Purpose: increasing the capacity at national and subnational level in tackling the specific challenges and opportunities associated with the Direct Access modality
- 2 modules: Accreditation & Addressing Environmental and Social (ESP) and Gender Policies in project design and implementation
- Target audience: NIEs seeking accreditation, NIEs seeking reaccreditation, accredited NIEs who intend to submit proposals for AF funding
- Self-paced & interactive, inclusive of case studies and quizzes
- Participants will be issued a certificate of completion

Direct Access: Unlocking Adaptation Funding

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Course Introduction

MODULE 01
Accreditation to the Adaptation Fund

MODULE 02
Environmental Social and Gender Considerations in Project/Programme Design and Implementation

About the Course

Course Introduction

This e-learning course introduces participants to the concepts and facets of the Adaptation Fund (AF) accreditation process. It also provides an overview of the requirements to comply with the Fund's Environmental and Social Policy (ESP) and Gender Policy (GP).

Course Overview

The "Direct Access: Unlock Adaptation Funding" e-learning course is an important tool for capacity building at national and subnational level as it tackles the specific challenges and opportunities associated with the Direct Access Modality and, in particular, the capacity gaps in financial management and fiduciary standards, environmental, social and gender standards and its mitigation factors.

About the Course | Course Map | Interesting Links | Contact Us

Publications and learning grants

Publications:

- **“Assessing Progress: Integrating Gender in Adaptation Fund Projects/Programmes”**
 - offers an overview of gender in select projects funded by the Adaptation Fund and
- **“Readiness and Capacity-building for Adaptation Finance”**
 - examines how readiness and capacity building for Direct Access are understood globally within the climate finance architecture, and how they are provided by climate funds under the UNFCCC
- **“Local Leadership in Adaptation Finance”**
 - offers an overview of locally-led actions and interventions supported by the Adaptation Fund.

Learning grants:

- Launched as a new funding window under the MTS
- Size: US\$ 150,000
- Eligibility: accredited NIEs with project under implementation that has reached mid-point
- Provide funding to accredited NIEs with the goal to help encourage a culture of learning across institutions and help build NIE capacities.
- Activities eligible should follow under 3 categories: 1) transferring knowledge between NIEs; 2) knowledge from NIEs to the wider adaptation community and 3) developing knowledge and guidelines through partnerships
- 1 learning grant approved to date

Complementarity and coherence with other climate funds

Since 2014, AF and GCF have actively engaged on several initiatives under the GCF operational framework on complementarity and coherence with other climate finance delivery channels including :

- Fast-track accreditation process between two funds
- AF-GCF joint support to the Community of Practice of Direct Access Entities (CPDAE)
- Scaling-Up Approach for collaboration between the two funds

Regular dialogues between the AF and GCF under the UNFCCC framework including :

- Annual Dialogue of Climate Finance Delivery Channels on the margin of UNFCCC COP
- Continuous engagement between the Funds' secretariats operational matters

AF response to the COVID-19 pandemic and adaptive measures to mitigate its impact on the Fund's portfolio

Operational flexibility since start of COVID19

Notification to IEs to apply OPG provisions for adaptive management

AFB flexible arrangements (Intersessional and virtual meetings of Board and Committees)

Project delays and extension approved by Board

Flexibility for virtual project activities (inception, monitoring, stakeholder's cons, etc.)

AF response to COVID19 approved by AFB35b

Blanket no-cost extension of project completion date up to 12 months

Flexible application of 'material change' for project budget reallocation up to 20% of total project budget

Integration of broader resilience in future AF programming by countries

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