



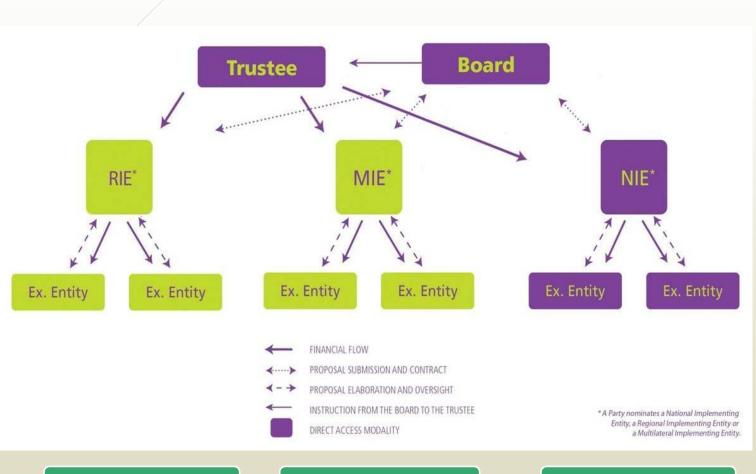
Experiences and lessons learnt from facilitating enhanced access to climate finance

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There are 3 modalities that developing countries can use to access Adaptation Fund resources



- > Funding decision (AFB)
- > Funds transfer (Trustee)
- Proposal submission
- > Project supervision
- > Financial responsibility
- Project execution: work on the ground
- Report to the IE

6 RIEs accredited 12 MIEs accredited 28 NIEs accredited



Accreditation Standards

- Legal status
- Financial Management and Integrity
- Institutional Capacity
- Transparency, Self-investigative Powers, Anti-corruption measures and handling complaints about harmful Environmental or Social Impact of projects

 Compliance with AF ESP and Gender Policy ('3Cs') Reviewed by an Accreditation Panel consisting of independent experts, supported by the AFB Secretariat



Direct access has proven that national entities can successfully implement projects

At the national level:

- Funds and projects directly managed by countries
- Elevates issues relating to climate change and adaptation to the national level
- Improves intragovernmental collaboration and amplifies stakeholder voices

At the institutional level:

Applicants

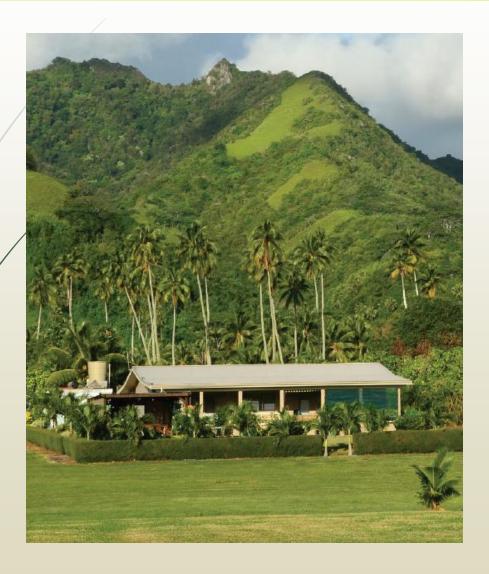
- Improve understanding of fiduciary standards
- Identify areas to bolster financial management and accountability
- Shift from following others' rules to having their own rules
- Improve governance by instituting policies against fraud and corruption







Streamlined accreditation process (smaller NIEs)



- Approved in April 2015
- Designed to open up possibilities for a smaller NIE to access the AF resources while considering the limited capacities of such an entity
- Streamlined process:
 - Same accreditation standards
 - Flexibility in means of verification
 - Reduced time, effort
 - Possible limit to funding request



Improving and enhancing processes

- > Increase information
 - > Frequent communication
 - > Selection of applicant entity
- > Improve competencies
 - > Complementary to other readiness/capacity activities
 - > South-South cooperation between countries
- > Improve the efficiency of the accreditation process
 - > Secure online file sharing platform
 - > Active approach to dormant applications

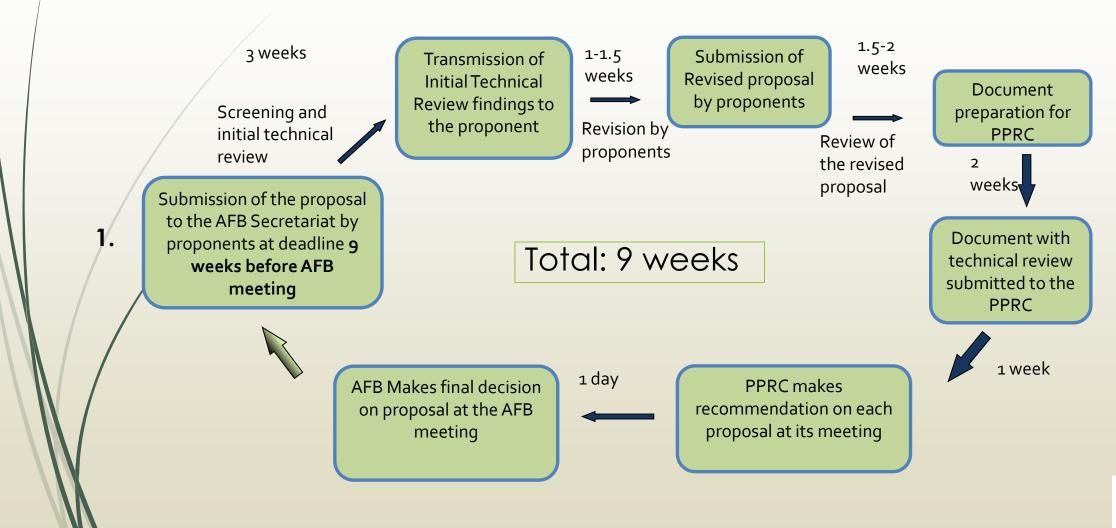


Alignment of processes with GCF

- > Most accreditation criteria are the same
- Fast-tracking of new applications by GCF
- > Fast-tracking of re-accreditation applications by AF
- Consideration: fast-tracking of new applications by AF



AF review process is efficient and quick





Enhanced direct access

- A promising modality that further increases country-drivenness in direct access projects
- Project sub-components (small grants, small loans) are not pre-cleared by the AFB
 - identified by NIE during implementation
 - consistent interaction between grant/loan recipients









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Parties Involved in Accreditation Process



