



# AfDAN Workshop on the Launch of Strategic Plan Development and Validation of BCRUP Regional Readiness Project

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# Background

- ▶ The Formation of AfDAN was necessitated by an urgent need to establish an effective *Pan-African-Climate Finance Network*
- ▶ Agreed by African countries in 2015, in Alexandria Egypt and re-affirmed and integrated into the UNFCCC Framework during COP 23-Fiji in Bonn Germany in 2017
- ▶ AfDAN was officially launched during COP 27 in Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt
- ▶ Founders - African NDAs; Pan African Climate Justice (PACJA); and United Cities and Local Governments of Africa (UCLG Africa)
- ▶ *It is aimed at mainly* supporting African Countries through:
  - ❑ National Designated Authorities (NDAs),
  - ❑ Direct Access Entities (DAEs), and
  - ❑ Focal Points (FPs)
  - ❑ Civil Society Organizations
  - ❑ Private sector operatives

# Background Cont'd

- It also provides a platform for African Countries to enhance access to climate finance, particularly AF from the following funding agencies:

- i. GCF
- ii. GEF
- iii. LDCF
- iv. AF
- v. CIF
- vi. ACF

From Bilateral and multi-lateral development partners

- i. World Bank
- ii. IMF
- iii. KFW
- iv. AfDB
- v. AfD
- vi. SIDA
- vii. JICA
- viii. DANIDA
- ix. OPEC
- x. GIZ
- xi. EIB
- xii. EU

## Objectives of AfDAN

### ► *The main objectives of the Network are to:*

- ✓ Accelerate mobilization of climate finance for adaptation and resilience building in all African Countries;
- ✓ Enhance ease of access to green/climate finance in Africa in a predictable, scalable and sustainable manner;
- ✓ Prioritize financing of locally led adaptation, resilience and mitigation actions especially in rural and urban areas;
- ✓ Share experiences and best practices from African Countries;
- ✓ Strengthen South-South-North partnerships and collaborations;
- ✓ Build local capacities in Africa-Africa by Africa

## Involvement of African Countries

- ▶ All African Countries are eligible and required to join the platform
- ▶ Coordination is by NDAs/Focal Points-at the National level & Secretariat at the Continental level
- ▶ Supported by Direct Accredited Entities (DAEs), UNFCCC Focal points

# Achievements

AfDAN has been endorsed by:

- ❑ AU
- ❑ World Bank
- ❑ GCF
- ❑ UNFCCC
- ❑ FAO
- ❑ DANIDA
- ❑ SIDA
- ❑ UCLG Africa
- ❑ PACJA
- ❑ GIZ

# Offices

- ▶ Headquarters in Nairobi, Kenya
- ▶ Regional Coordination Offices:
  - ❑ Northern Africa - Rabat
  - ❑ Southern Africa - Botswana
  - ❑ Eastern Africa - Kenya
  - ❑ West Africa - Senegal
  - ❑ Central Africa - Cameroon

# Main Activities

- ▶ Exchange Programs/ Benchmarking - visit by the Kingdom of Eswatini and Sierra Leone delegations
- ▶ Championing reforms in UNFCCC financial mechanisms- especially GCF to be responsible to Africa
- ▶ Supporting Countries to develop policies, strategies and other legislative frameworks.
- ▶ Support access to GCF readiness funding
- ▶ Support countries to develop bankable project pipelines
- ▶ Strengthen Institutional and Human capacities in African Countries
- ▶ Enhance collaboration between member countries
- ▶ Support all countries to strengthen their NDAs/Focal Points
- ▶ Support countries in enhanced mobilization of Funds for financing adaptation and building resilience for the continent
- ▶ Support AU to establish Africa Climate Fund for increased Climate Finance mobilization
- ▶ Support BCRUP Operationalization and Implementation Processes in all African cities and urbans



# Decision on AfDAN during the Assembly of the Union, 37<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Session 17<sup>th</sup> February 2024 Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

- ▶ CAHOSCC Decision (31) acknowledged the role of Africa Green Climate Finance National Designated Authorities Network (AfDAN) is playing in bringing African Countries together to build their capacity to accelerate, ease of access and enhanced mobilization of climate finance at scale especially for adaptation and resilience building at the local levels.

## Challenges

- ▶ Countries are slow to identify their representatives to the network
- ▶ Political goodwill is needed
- ▶ High staff turn-over in NDAs
- ▶ Non-utilization of GCF readiness funds - PPF by countries
- ▶ Lack of capacity to develop bankable proposals
- ▶ Slow disbursement of funds
- ▶ Interference from North-north countries

## Milestones

- GCF has recognized and endorsed AfDAN as a delivery partner
- Supporting regional readiness program towards implementation of Building Climate Resilience of the Urban Poor (BCRUP) in the African context
- 11 letters of No Objection so far received and commitment is strong from the remaining pilot countries
- Successful consultative meeting with UNECA, UCLG Africa and PACJA on operationalization of 37<sup>th</sup> ordinary session of CAHOSCC Decision 31 on AfDAN in Addis Ababa held on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2024
- Successful AfDAN and BCRUP focal points meeting 22-23 August, 2024 in Nairobi

## Accelerating Access to Climate Finance-22-23 August 2024 in Nairobi- Major Outcomes

- Strengthened support for establishment and operation of AfDAN with its Headquarters in Nairobi
- Commitment to leverage climate finance to support locally led actions
- Support for the implementation of BCRUP initiative



# Africa Stakeholders consultative session on the New Collective Quantified Goal, in the sidelines of the CCDA XII Conference

The event focused on unpacking the state of play, including contestations, in the determination of the new post 2025 climate finance goal

Partners: PACJA, BMGF, AfDAN CARE, Christian Aid, Act Alliance, German Watch, Development Initiatives

## Key messages

01

Africa is negotiating climate finance from a position of strength, emphasizing its significant contributions to global climate action and vast resources critical to the global energy transition.

02

Adaptation finance for Africa must be increased and prioritized

03

Africa strongly advocates for the prioritization of grant-based financing rather than loans, especially for adaptation projects

04

There is lack of transparency in climate change reporting, there must be a distinction between climate-specific finance and broader development assistance where the former is over and above the latter



## Expected Outcome of Addis Workshop

- Commitment for partnership and collaboration under the AfDAN platform
- Finalization of the hosting agreement for AfDAN by Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs
- 5-Year AfDaN Strategic Plan Development Process



# Thank You!!



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