



Institutional Framework and Financing Scheme for local authorities and SMEs within the framework of the LoCAL Regional Project: Niger Section

I. CATEGORIZATION OF THE PROJECT AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

This national institutional management framework includes:

- 1- the National Steering Committee;
- 2- the Technical Committee;
- 3- the Project Management Unit (PMU)

II. EXECUTING ORGANS

1. Project Management Unit (PMU)

In Niger, the Project Management Unit is linked directly to the LoCAL Technical Committee and works with the municipalities. The UGP works with ANFICT on planning, procurement, etc.

2. LoCAL Technical Committee

A Technical Committee was created under the Minister of the Environment, Urban Health and Sustainable Development in charge of the “Local Financing Facility for Adaptation to Climate Change”, called LOCAL Technical Committee – Niger by order no. °00070/MESU/DD/SG of June 3, 2014 relating to the creation, attributions, composition and operation of the Technical Committee responsible for the “Facility for Local Financing of Adaptation to Climate Change” (LOCAL Technical Committee - Niger).

The Niger LOCAL Technical Committee has the overall mission of coordinating and monitoring the implementation of the pilot phase of the Local Financing Facility for Adaptation to Climate Change in municipalities in Niger.

Specifically, the LoCAL - Niger Technical Committee is responsible for:

- Choose the pilot municipalities for intervention;
- Approve final document of the pilot phase of the Local Finance Facility;



- Approve the annual program and the annual activity report of the pilot phase of the Local Financing Facility;
- Formulate proposals and recommendations on issues relating to the implementation of the pilot phase of the Facility;
- Ensure the proper conduct of the annual performance evaluation of pilot municipalities with regard to pre-established criteria;
- Approve the annual allocations to pilot municipalities for climate resilience grants by applying agreed criteria;
- Supervise the work of the municipal support team.

The LOCAL Committee - Niger is composed as follows:

President: the Secretary General of the Ministry of the Environment, Urban Health and Sustainable Development;

1st Vice President: the Director General of Decentralization and Territorial Communities;

2nd Vice President: the Executive Secretary of the National Council for the Environment for Sustainable Development (SE/CNEDD).

Rapporteurs:

- The Director of Studies and Programming of the Ministry of the Environment, Urban Health and Sustainable Development;
- One (1) representative of the Ministry of the Interior, Public Security, Decentralization and Customary and Religious Affairs.

Members:

- The Director General of Environment and Sustainable Development of the Ministry of the Environment, Urban Health and Sustainable Development;
- The Director General of Water and Forests of the Ministry of the Environment, Urban Health and Sustainable Development;
- The Director General of the Nigerien Agency for Financing of Territorial Communities;
- One (1) representative of the High Commission for the 3 N Initiative;



- The Director of Local Development at the Ministry of Planning, Regional Planning and Community Development;
- One (1) representative of the Ministry of Agriculture; ✓ one (1) representative of the Ministry of Livestock;
- One (1) representative of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP);
- One (1) representative of UN Capital Development Fund (UNCDF);
- Two (02) representatives of NGO/AD collectives intervening in the field of climate change.

3. The Steering Committee (COPIL)

The Steering Committee is the political and decision-making body of the project. It is implemented at the level of the Ministry of Hydraulics, Sanitation and Environment (MHA/E) **in accordance...**

4. The National Agency for Financing Territorial Communities (ANFICT)

It was created by law n°2008-38 of July 10, 2008 creating a public administrative establishment called “Agence Nationale de Financement des Collectivités Territoriales” (ANFICT)

The National Agency for Financing of Territorial Communities has the mission of managing and distributing the resources allocated to local authorities for the purposes of supporting their operation and the realization of their investments under their project management.

As such, ANFICT is responsible for:

- To receive and allocate resources to local authorities, as subsidies, for their operation and the realization of investments under their project management, taking into account their level of development and their performance;
- To ensure equalization of national resources and external financing entrusted to it and intended for local authorities;
- To manage the Indicative Financial Allocations (DIF) of local authorities in accordance with the established distribution rules;
- To support local authorities in mobilizing and increasing their own resources;
- To encourage local authorities to promote and develop local services for the benefit of the populations;



- To control the use of subsidies allocated through its channel to local authorities with a view to ensuring their proper management in accordance with the regulations in force and their specific development objectives;
- To facilitate community financing.

Fund flows go through ANFICT. She is responsible for collecting funds, making them available in her bank account and making them available to the municipalities. The flow of funds comes from BOAD. BOAD makes the funds available to ANFICT and the entire institutional framework (COPIL, Technical Committee and PMU). UNCDF is in agreement with the LoCAL Technical Committee and has a flow of funds for capacity building.