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EWS₄All Global Support Program

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In 2022, 80 climate extreme events, over US\$ 8.5 billion economic damages, 110 million people directly affected, 5 000 fatalities

EWS provide more than a tenfold return on investment. 24 hours' notice can cut ensuing damage by 30 per cent.
 GCA estimates that EWS investment of US\$800 million in developing countries would avoid losses of \$3 to 16 billion per year.

Challenges on Resilience in Africa



- Africa's adaptation challenge will grow substantially; the region is already heating up twice as fast as the rest of the globe
- The region appreciates the challenge:
 - Established an Agenda 2063 goal (1.7) and priorities for environmentally sustainable and climate resilient economies and communities
 - up to 84% of UNFCCC party countries have planning instruments (adaptation plans, strategies, laws, and policies) in place; and over 80% have submitted updated NDCs, outlining clear adaptation priorities
- The gap in the financing needed to turn these plans into action continues to widen:
 - Adaptation costs due to past emissions were USD 7-15 billion annually by 2020; could reach USD 50 billion per year by 2050.
 - Africa gets only 12% of the financing it needs to adapt to the changing climate; and faces an adaptation finance gap of \$265 billion by 2030 (*after contributing up to \$66 billion from domestic budgets*).
 - Cumulatively, climate finance in the region needs to grow by up to 9-times to meet the region's 2030 climate goals.
- Yet, adaptation investment opportunities are vast and the return on investment of adaptation actions is high:
 - every \$1 invested in adaptation actions in Africa unlocks a return of between \$2 and \$10.

GCF CIEWS PORTFOLIO AND PIPELINE






- **Without GCF support**, the majority of developing countries will not be able to establish and operate the fit-for-purpose hydromet services required to achieve this paradigm shift
- **GCF Portfolio:**
 - **Global** Over USD 932 million, 62 projects, will benefit 386 million people)
 - **Africa** (LDC USD 361.7M, SIDS USD47.9 M, Non-LDC USD178.7 M Total USD565.4 M)
- **Active Africa pipeline** of over **USD 663 million, 49 projects** (including 4 in SIDS)
- **Nature of the portfolio and pipeline**
 - Not coordinated, regionally, thematically
 - All grant based, and no private sector participation
 - Gaps remain unfilled – Demand far exceeds supply
 - May have issues of sustainability
 - Not prioritized (most vulnerable vs advancement)

GCF Pipeline for African CIEWS Aligned with UNSG & SOFF/CREWS Priority Countries



Region	SG Priority in pipeline	Others (SOFF/CREWS) in pipeline	Status	Budget (USD)
Africa	Chad, Comoros, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Liberia, Madagascar, Mauritius, Mozambique, Niger, Somalia, Sudan, South Sudan, Uganda (need scaling up)	Burkina Faso, Chad, Ethiopia, Cabo Verde, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Rwanda, Senegal, South Sudan, Tanzania	B37 – B43	10-25 mill per country

-  Approved project
-  In pipeline
-  Idea stage to be submitted to pipeline

Opportunities with EWS



- GFC-2 notes that GCF can substantially contribute to the UN EW₄ All initiative
- Support from both developed and developing country Board seat on EWS targets
- Need to align the pipeline to the EW₄All priorities
 - Prioritize, focus on most vulnerable, optimize, coordinate, improve innovation
- Ongoing work under the SAP
 - CREWS-SAP scaling up framework
 - EWS fast tracking template
- Ongoing discussion with WMO, UNDRR, ITU, IFRC and SOFF
- These require a coordinated approach by the all pillars on EWS
- A meeting with all pillars including SOFF and CREWS was held in Bangkok, 3-5 May 2023
- Leading to the development/approval of USD1.5 mil PPF for the EW₄All support Programme

Early Warning for All Global Support Program



First project by the GCF, UNDP and donors with WMO as EE to enable coordination, develop pipeline and identify pilots

EW4all Global Support Program Umbrella Coordination

CN and PPF will be developed for this project that will serve as the Umbrella Program for the Initiative

Pipeline Acceleration *(funded via donor co financing)*

- Tailored one-on-one technical support is provided to participating countries in accordance with the global action plan
- Gap analysis at regional and national level

Enabling Condition *(via WMO, UNDRR, ITU and IFRC)*

- Global outreach campaigns carried out with non-EW4All partners to ensure synergies
- A global financing campaigns organized targeting donors, philanthropists, and private sector
- Advancing global knowledge
- A sustainability strategy established for the global/regional support architecture

Country-level Priority Actions *(via AE/DAE- 5 to 7 priority countries)*

- National level advocacy activities carried out
- Capacity building
- Investment activities
- Strengthening governance

Incubator project = Coordination project to get the investment project-development going – feeding into the accelerator series of projects

Proposal to develop “EW4all Global Support Program”



Challenges

- Need to develop a **financing plan** to accompany the EW4All implementation strategy. What is GCFs role in the financing plan? How do we crowd in other investors?
- Need to support **pipeline generation**, and proposal maturation, in particular, via direct access entities.
- Need to provide funding for **coordination**, fit for purpose prioritization, monitoring, lessons learning, knowledge management, regular meetings
- Need to invest in **pilot early movers and examples** to serve as inspiration

Develop a GCF project as “incubator”

- **Project preparation grant** to develop the **financing plan**, and prepare the project
- **Component 1 – Pipeline generation** - prioritize support for pipeline development by DAEs, scaling up framework with CREWS used, SOFF support as project components promoted
- **Component 2 – Coordination** – Using existing mechanisms via EW4All pillar, promote coordinated approach nationally, and regionally to promote system optimization. Finance regular meetings to discuss opportunities, pipeline development, sharing good projects and lessons learned. Crowd in co investors including private sector using the financing plan. Will help develop standards, templates, indicators, etc.
- **Component 3 – pilot projects** - to serve as inspiration on what can be done

Other projects will be developed following this first project

Acceleration of EWS Projects via SAP



SAP-CREWS Scaling-Up Framework

Origination

Evidence-based selection of successful EWS interventions from CREWS (evaluation)

01

Preparation

Simplified Preparation of SAP FP (Discounted studies)

02

Appraisal

No CN requested
SAP SOP for FP review and S-CIC3
Target 12-16 weeks

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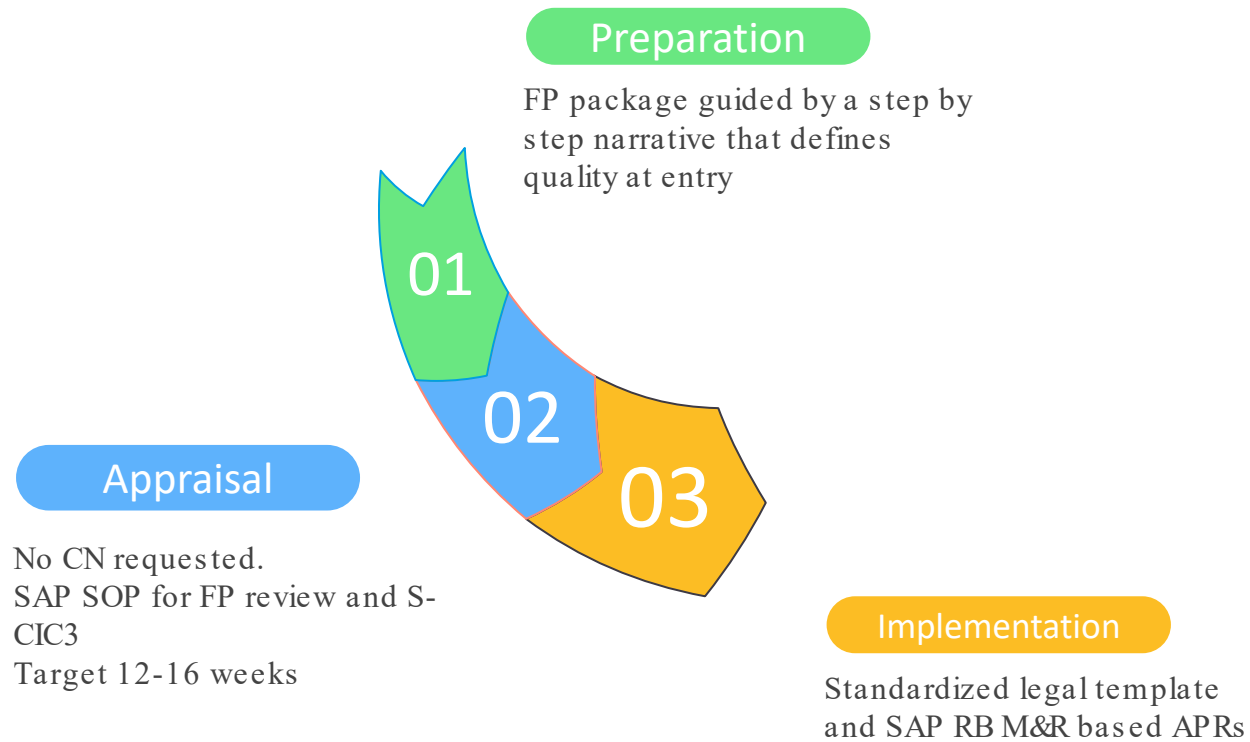
Implementation

Standardized legal template and SAP RB M&R based APRs

Acceleration of EWS Projects via SAP



SAP EWS Guided Template



Project Preparation Grant

Up to USD 1.5 million

- Will develop the full funding proposal for GCF consideration, including feasibility studies, consultations, and baselines
- Will help develop the zero draft financing plan to accompany the Early Warning for All implementation strategy

Approved by GCF in September 2023 and can be announced at the UN Climate Ambition Summit to build the partnerships and crowd in donors

EW4All Global Support Program

Project incubation

- Yearly or twice-yearly meetings among countries and potential partners
- Guidance and support to interested countries and partners to develop project proposals for GCF or other donors
- Crowd in co-investors
- Support in prioritization, coordination and optimization
- Overall monitoring
- Build on lessons learned, good practices

Implementation following immediately after PPF approval

GCF project acceleration

2024	2025	2026	2027
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EW4All Facility • Four to five projects (including multi-country programmes) for GCF Board approval 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four to five projects (including multi-country programmes) for GCF Board approval 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four to five projects (including multi-country programmes) for GCF Board approval 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four to five projects (including multi-country programmes) for GCF Board approval

Result = Systematic and technically sound, predictable project maturation, increased quality of projects, local partner owned and implemented, co-invested by donors



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