



Ministry of the Environment
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Country Programme and Coordination mechanism

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Remember: Six criteria for the Fund's high level investments

Promote country ownership

Participation of the country-beneficiary and capacity for implementation of the financed project / program (policy – **country program**, climate strategies and agencies)

Remember: Financing of projects and programs

1. Submission and compilation of **Country Programme**
2. Apply with a Concept Note and Full proposal for financing through accredited entity (AE) – **each Concept Note must be derived from country programme.**
3. AE should pass the “no-objection” procedure and approval by NDA for applications on financing
5. Consideration and recommendations of the GCF Panel of Experts
6. Applications for financing will be evaluated according to the GCF criteria for investments
7. The GCF Council convenes meetings 3-4 times per year

GCF Country Programme

Main principles

1. Based on already approved strategies, plans and programmes (INDC...)
2. Additional and more specific priorities, gaps and opportunities relevant to climate change.
3. Portfolio of concrete project ideas in both adaptation and mitigation.
4. Monitoring and Evaluation.

GCF Climate Coordination mechanism

Main principles

1. Ensuring country ownership (no objection procedure).
2. Ensuring development of GCF Country Programme and M & E.
3. Ensuring coordination with other country programmes, strategies, development projects...
4. Ensuring involvement of private sector and other relevant stakeholders.

GCF Country Programme

Example

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2. Country Agenda and GCF Engagement

- 2.1 Institutional arrangements
- 2.2 Roles and contributions of the key stakeholders
- 2.3 Identification of country priorities for the use of GCF funding
- 2.4 **Country's project portfolio**

3. Monitoring and evaluation of the Country Programme implementation

GCF Country Programme

Example – project portfolio

2.4 Country's project portfolio

The section currently presents an indicative project pipeline, based on the review of policy documents and bilateral consultations. It is to be elaborated during the stakeholder consultation process. All relevant national public and private stakeholders interested in developing project ideas for GCF funding, as well as the international accredited entities are invited to submit their ideas or concepts to NDA.

Table 7: Country projects/programmes pipeline			
Project Title	Description	Accredited Entity	Submission timeframe
Scaling-up Multi-Hazard Early Warning System and the Use of Climate Information in Georgia	The project contributes to the achievement of GCF strategic-level impacts through increased resilience and enhanced livelihoods of the most vulnerable people, communities and regions. It will provide critical climate risk information that would enable the Government of Georgia implementing a number of nation-wide transformative policies for reducing exposure and vulnerability of population to climate-induced hazards.	UNDP	2017
Fund level strategic impacts: 5		Total financing:	
		GCF: US\$ 30 mn	Other: Under consideration GCF
Action	Lead	Timeline	
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Project Title	Description	Accredited Entity	Submission timeframe
Green Cities Programme	Programme will help up to 20 cities plan for and implement comprehensive green city actions. It will address multiple market barriers to green city action by providing: a) Strategy and policy support to help cities make informed action plans and investment decisions; b) The finance needed for scalable and replicable green city infrastructure investments; c) Essential technical assistance and capacity building.	EBRD	2017
Fund level strategic impacts: 3		Total financing:	
		GCF: US\$ 30 mn	EBRD: US\$ 27 mn Under consideration GCF
Action	Lead	Timeline	
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Coordination mechanism and selection of projects in different countries

Two types / stages of project identification approach:

1st stage: donors' driven

AEs have the initiative, offering ideas to line ministries and NDA

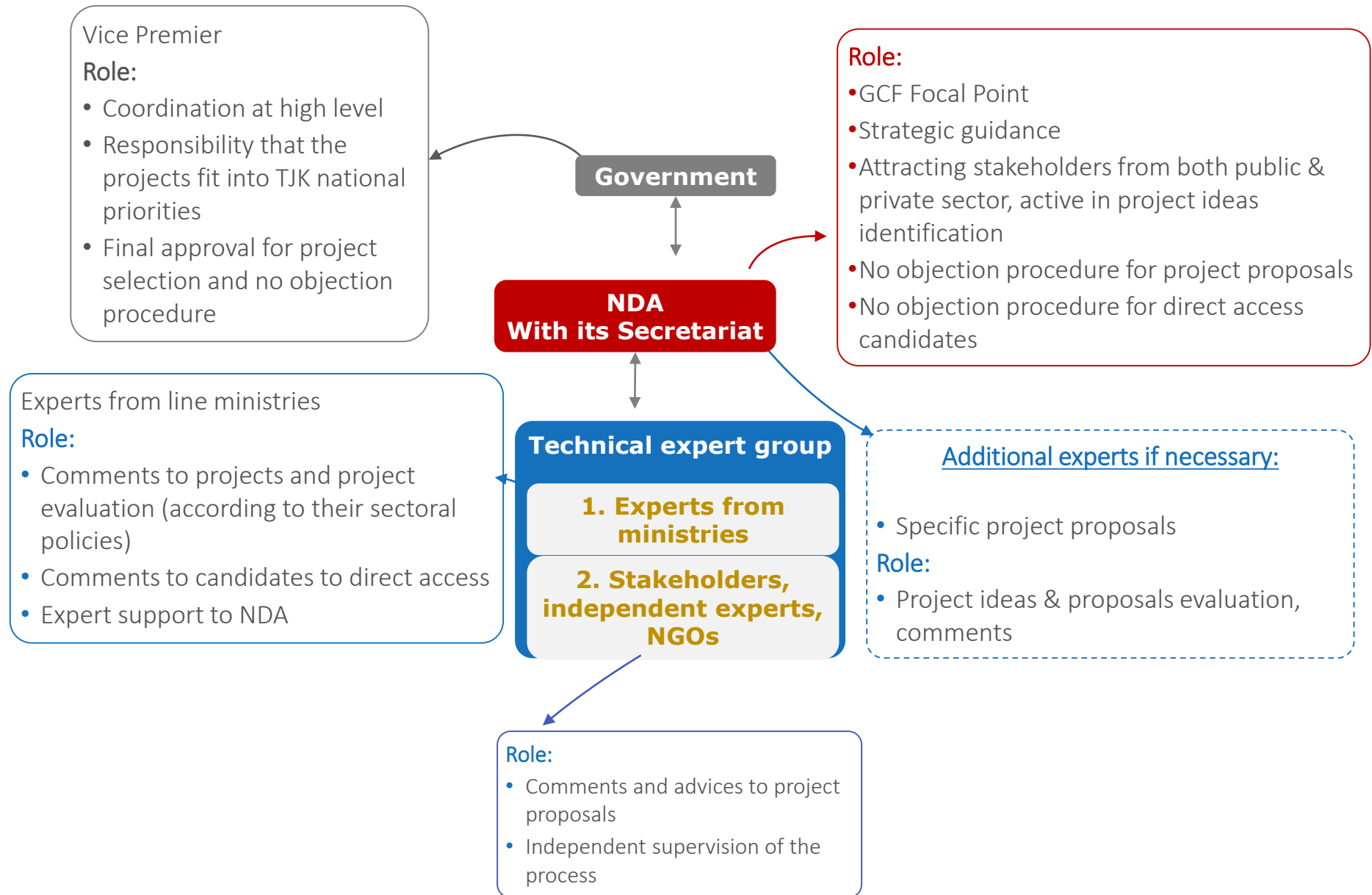
2nd stage: country driven

Country has the initiative, NDA or other appointed governmental body organizes the process of project identification and selection and offers it to AEs.

Coordination mechanism and selection of projects in different countries

- Tajikistan
- Bangladesh
- Kyrgyz Republic

Coordination mechanism in Tajikistan and Armenia



Country Programme in Tajikistan

- Few but very specific priorities created at high level with NDA expert support.
- Projects focusing on these priorities were elaborated by selected AEs.
- From the beginning firm leadership, however the initiative of AEs was more important at the beginning (e.g. WB proposed joint regional project focused on Aral Basin not fitting very well into Tajik priorities).

Coordination mechanism in Bangladesh

- procedures

- ❑ **Screening** – Identification and preliminary evaluation of project ideas = completion of Country Programme.
- ❑ No objection procedure.

Screening – Identification and preliminary evaluation of project ideas in Bangladesh

- 1) Identification of possible project proposals
 - Each relevant body was asked to prepare project idea
 - 170 project ideas were collected!

- 2) NDA responsible (Min. of Finance and Planning, which has very strong position in governmental structure)

- 3) Organized by UNDP in cooperation with 2 national AEs
 - Brief description of the project idea,
 - Questionnaire for evaluation,
 - Evaluation by technical expert group (the same as for no objection procedure)

- 4) Decision if to include the project ideas into Country Programme, based on evaluation, is taken by Inter-ministerial Committee and Government

Coordination mechanism and Country Programme in Kyrgyz Republic

- development

- **1st stage: donors' driven**
- AEs had the initiative, offering ideas to line ministries and NDA (e.g. Climate Investment Plan of Kyrgyz Republic developed by EBRD)
- **2nd stage: country driven**
- Country has the initiative, NDA and other appointed governmental body organizes the process of project identification and selection and offers it to AEs.
(e.g. CFC & NDA, more inclusive and transparent process)

Coordination mechanism in Kyrgyz Republic and Armenia

- procedures

- Screening** – Identification and preliminary evaluation of project ideas = completion of Country Programme.
- No objection procedure.

Screening – Identification and preliminary evaluation of project ideas in Kyrgyz Republic

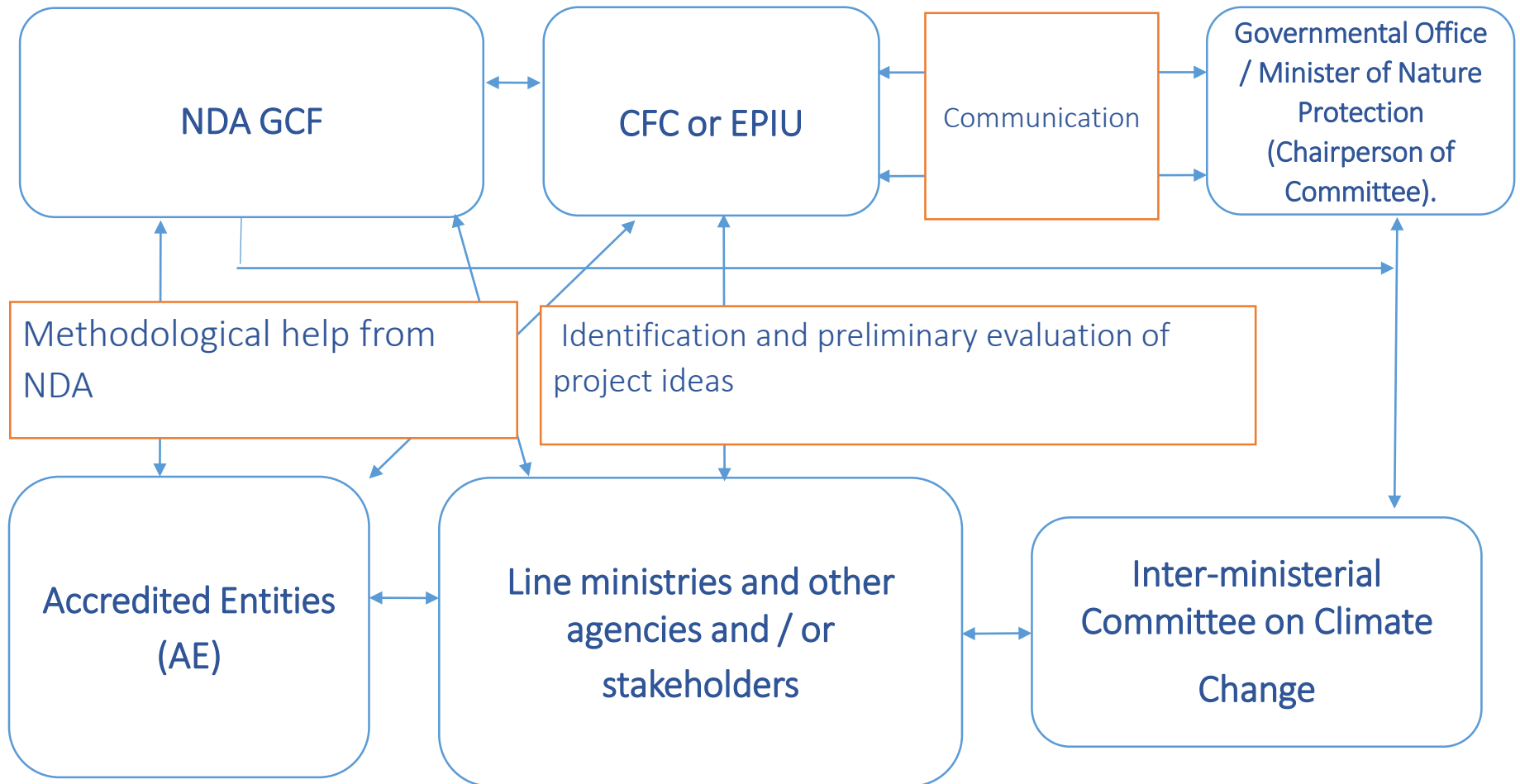
- 1) Identification of possible project proposals
 - Relevant body are being asked to prepare project idea
 - Currently on going process

- 2) Climate Financing Center (KRGZ) and EPIU (ARM) responsible
 - Independent body under governmental control, directly under Governmental Office,
 - Probably national AE in future (CFC), National accredited entity (ARM)
 - Financial sources blending
 - Similar center in Uganda, responsible for CG financial sources coordination and blending

- 3) Organized by CFC and EPIU in cooperation with NDA (with support from intl. agencies)
 - Brief description of the project idea,
 - Questionnaire for evaluation,
 - Evaluation by technical expert group (the same as for no objection procedure)

- 4) Decision if to include the project ideas into Country Programme, based on evaluation, is taken by Inter-ministerial Committee and Government

Coordination mechanism – Identification and preliminary evaluation of project ideas in Kyrgyz Republic and Republic of Armenia (model of special entity for project identification and prioritization)



Collaboration with the Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic

The Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic donated 20,000,000 CZK (around 900,000 USD) to support preparedness of Western Balkan countries to access the Green Climate Fund

Timeline: December 2017 - November 2019

Key partnership: CzechGlobe

Key activities:

- Prioritization at a regional level;
- Capacity building, including at a regional level;
- Technical assistance for proposal development (national and regional projects)

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Thank you for your attention!

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