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Adaptation Fund Board  
Forty-second meeting  
Bonn, Germany, 18-19 April 2024

Agenda item 3

## **REPORT ON ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIR**

1. During the intersessional period between the forty-first meeting and the forty-second meetings of the Adaptation Fund Board (the Board), the Chair, Mr. Antonio Navarra (Italy, Western European and others) carried out the below-listed activities for the Fund.

(a) Finalized the report of the forty-first meeting, assisted by the secretariat;

(b) Liaised with and provided guidance to the secretariat on planning of work after the forty-first meeting, including:

- Preparations for and attending the 28th Conference of the Parties of the UNFCCC (COP28) in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, including delivering a statement on behalf of the Board during the high-level segment of the conference;
- Preparations for organization of the forty-second Board meeting, including its agenda;
- Invitation to the Fund to join the coalition of ambition on adaptation finance;
- Options to solve the matter with vacant seats on the Board and its implication on quorum, postponement of the Board meeting from March to April 2024, reaching out to constituencies with vacant seats encouraging them to nominate members and alternates, conducting informal consultations, and preparing a draft intersessional decision to the allow outgoing members and alternates to remain on the Board.

(c) Project/Programme agreements signed:

- Lao Democratic Republic: “Enhancing Adaptive Capacity in Lao PDR Provinces, and Building Resilient Housing in Vulnerable Communities” (United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)), (US\$ 7,561,131)
- Uganda: “Enhancing Community Adaptation to Climate Change through Climate Resilient Flood Early Warning, Catchment Management and Wash Technologies in Mpologoma Catchment, Uganda” (Ministry of Water and Environment of Uganda) (US\$ 9,504,600)
- Viet Nam: “Innovative Financial Incentives for Adaptation in Wetland Livelihoods (IFIA)” (International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)) (US\$ 5,000,000)
- [Regional] Cabo Verde, Guinea-Bissau and Sao Tome and Principe: “West and Central Africa Small Island Developing States Adapt – Building Resilience of Agricultural Systems to Climate Change” (IFAD) (US\$ 14,000,000)
- [Regional] Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana: “Improved resilience of coastal communities in Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana” (UN-Habitat) (US\$ 13,991,159)
- [AFCIA] “The Climate Adaptation Innovation Accelerator Programme (CAIAP)” (United Nations World Food Programme (WFP)) (US\$ 10,000,000)

## (d) Cash transfer requests signed:

1<sup>st</sup> tranche

- Belize: Building Community Resilience via Transformative Adaptation (Enhanced Direct Access) (Protected Areas Conservation Trust (PACT))
- Lao Democratic Republic: “Enhancing Adaptive Capacity in Lao PDR Provinces, and Building Resilient Housing in Vulnerable Communities” (UN-Habitat)
- Uganda: “Enhancing Community Adaptation to Climate Change through Climate Resilient Flood Early Warning, Catchment Management and Wash Technologies in Mpologoma Catchment, Uganda” (Ministry of Water and Environment of Uganda)
- Viet Nam: “Innovative Financial Incentives for Adaptation in Wetland Livelihoods (IFIA)” (IFAD)
- [Regional] Cabo Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Sao Tome and Principe: West and Central Africa Small Island Developing States Adapt – Building Resilience of Agricultural Systems to Climate Change (IFAD)
- [Regional] Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana: “Improved resilience of coastal communities in Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana” (UN-Habitat)
- [AFCIA] “The Climate Adaptation Innovation Accelerator Programme (CAIAP)” (United Nations World Food Programme (WFP))

2<sup>nd</sup> tranche

- Djibouti: Integrated Water and Soil Resources Management Project (Projet de gestion intégrée des ressources en eau et des sols PROGRES) (IFAD)
- The Gambia: Rural Integrated Climate Adaptation and Resilience Building Project (RICAR) (UNWFP)
- Liberia: Building Climate Resilience in Liberia's Cocoa and Rice Sectors (IFAD)
- Tanzania: Bunda Climate Resilience and Adaptation Project (National Environment Management Council (NEMC))

3<sup>rd</sup> tranche

- [Regional] Benin, Burkina Faso, Niger: Integration of climate change adaptation measures in the concerted management of the WAP transboundary complex: ADAPT-WAP (Sahara and Sahel Observatory (OSS))
- [Regional] Chile, Colombia, Peru: Enhancing adaptive capacity of Andean communities through climate services (World Meteorological Organization (WMO))
- [Regional] Mauritius, Seychelles: Restoring marine ecosystem services by rehabilitating coral reefs to meet a changing climate future (United Nations Development Programme (UNDP))

- [Regional] Argentina, Uruguay: Climate change adaptation in vulnerable coastal cities and ecosystems of the Uruguay River (Development Bank of Latin America (CAF))

#### 4<sup>th</sup> tranche

- Jamaica: Enhancing the Resilience of the Agricultural Sector and Coastal Areas to Protect Livelihoods and Improve Food Security (Planning Institute of Jamaica)
- [Regional] Comoros, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique: Building Urban Climate Resilience in Southeastern Africa (UN-Habitat)

#### 5<sup>th</sup> tranche

- Antigua and Barbuda: An integrated approach to physical adaptation and community resilience in Antigua and Barbuda's Northwest McKinnon's watershed (Department of Environment Ministry of Health and the Environment (ABED))

(e) Other grants agreements and corresponding cash transfer requests signed:

#### Project formulation grants (PFGs)

- Honduras: ("Constructing Resilience Together to Face Climate Change and Variability in Western Honduras" (Comisión Acción Social Menonita (CASM)) (US\$ 50,000)

#### Readiness grants

- Burkina Faso: Project to support National Implementing Entity Accreditation through the Readiness Package in Burkina Faso (Centre de Suivi Ecologique (CSE), Senegal) (US\$ 144,197)

2. Provided official quotes or appearances as the Board Chair in news releases prepared by the Secretariat:

- Appeared in photos and social posts covering Adaptation Fund 41<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting
- November 2023: AF Demonstrates Commitment to Strengthening Adaptation Health Resilience ([link](#)) (Vice-Chair)
- December 2023: AF Mobilizes Over US\$ 192 Million at COP28 for Most Vulnerable ([link](#)) (Vice-Chair)
- January 2024: AF Year in Review e-newsletter ([link](#))
- January 2024: AF Senior Specialist Appointed Minister of Chad ([link](#))