



ADAPTATION FUND

The AF Designated Authority: Role and Responsibilities

**AF-ADB Financing Locally Led
Adaptation in Asia and the Pacific,
Manila, April, 29th 2024**



Direct Access

- ❑ **Adaptation Fund pioneered fully operational direct access to climate financing**
- ❑ **Direct Access**, whereby a country can access funds directly from the AF and other funds adopting similar modality to manage adaptation/mitigation projects.

DIRECT ACCESS

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION

ACCREDITED BY AF BOARD

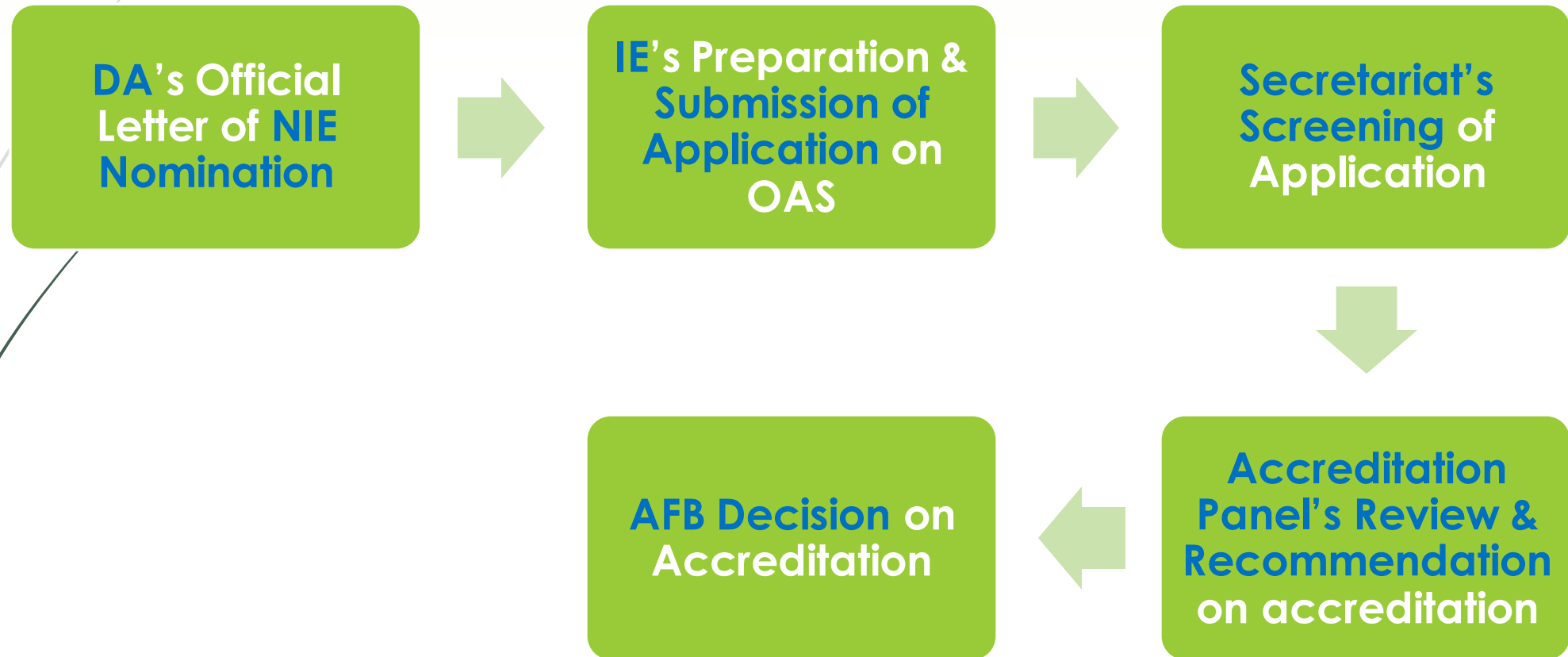
PROJECT REVIEWED & APPROVED

FUNDS DISBURSED, PERFORMANCE-BASED TRANCHES

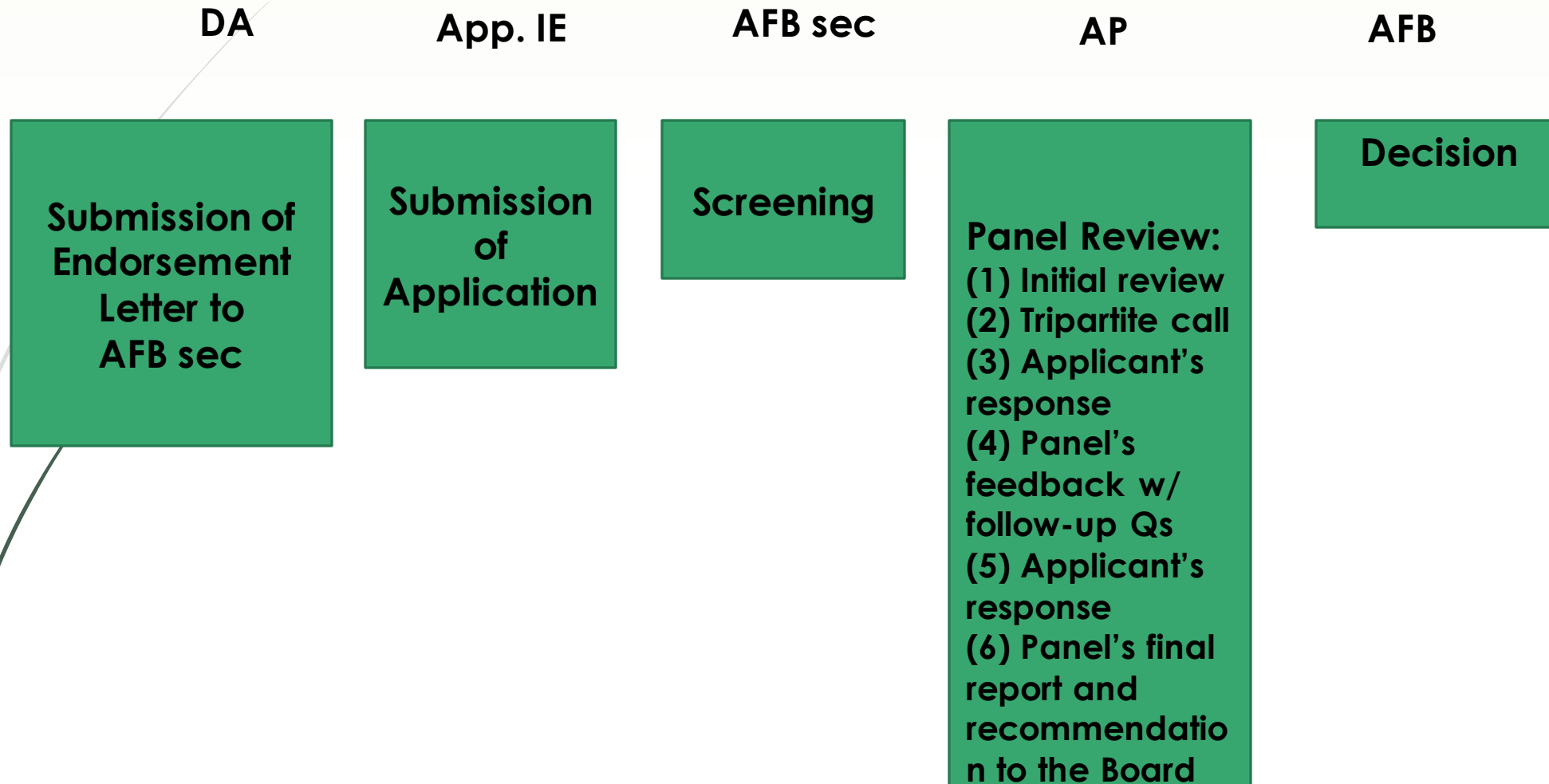
PROJECT IMPLEMENTED

PROJECT MONITORED & EVALUATED

Phases of the Accreditation Process



Parties Involved in Accreditation Process

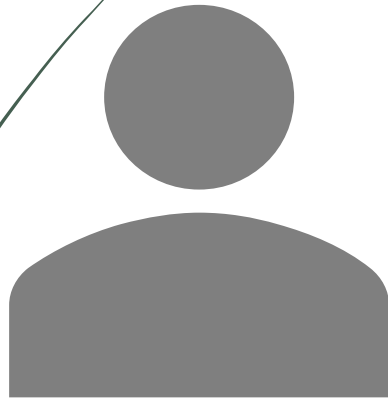


Designated Authority: Role and Responsibilities

- **Definition of DA** → Government official who acts as a focal point for the Adaptation Fund
 - **DA designation process:** *An official letter of DA designation written and signed by an Ambassador, Minister or an Authority at Cabinet level is required*
- **On Behalf of national government, the DA:**
 - Endorse an NIE which is deemed eligible to meet AF fiduciary criteria
 - **NIE endorsement process:** *An official letter of NIE endorsement written and signed by DA needs to be communicated to AFB Secretariat*
 - **RIE endorsement :** *DA endorses and send a letter of endorsement of RIE as its member country (at least 2 letters are required)*
 - Endorse Project proposal by NIE, RIE or MIE for adaptation projects/programmes in the DA's country

What is a Designated Authority (DA)?

Government official who acts as a point of contact for the Adaptation Fund



Person

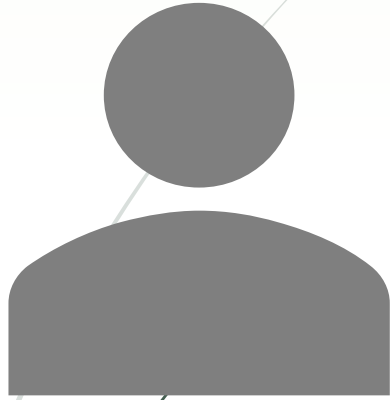


Appointed for task



Sufficient authority

What is the role of the DA?



- ✓ Caretaker of country's engagement with AF
- ✓ Understanding of adaptation priorities and interventions

1

Identify and nominate appropriate entities to apply for accreditation to the Adaptation Fund

2

Endorse the accreditation application of nominated entities

3

Endorse the project proposals of accredited entities

Suggestion for Identifying and nominating appropriate national entities for accreditation to the Adaptation Fund

Process

1. Establish selection committee and identify potential entities
2. Conduct preliminary assessment and develop shortlist
3. Identify gaps against fiduciary standards and evaluate potential to bridge those gaps
4. Nominate most appropriate entity and work with it to fulfill gaps and complete accreditation application



Suggestion for Identifying and nominating appropriate national entities for accreditation to the Adaptation Fund

Considerations

1. Provide evidence of fiduciary competencies
2. Fit to take responsibility and accountability for full climate change adaptation project cycle
3. Appropriate processes and management for implementing adaptation projects
 - Implementation of such projects is significant or core activity





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Considerations

4. Promotes zero tolerance for fraud and corruption
5. Commitment and capacity to comply with Environmental & Social Policy and Gender Policy

Decision to accredit is *evidence-based*

Examples of National Implementing Entities

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Banque Agricole du Niger (BAGRI)	Niger	www.mgnprod.com/site/bagri
Bhutan Trust Fund for Environmental Conservation (BT FEC)	Bhutan	www.bhutantrustfund.bt
Centre de Suivi Ecologique (CSE)	Senegal	www.cse.sn
Comisión Acción Social Menonita (CASM)	Honduras	www.casm.hn
Department of Environment Ministry of Health and the Environment (DoE)	Antigua and Barbuda	environment.gov.ag/en
Dominican Institute of Integral Development of Dominican Republic (IDDI)	Dominican Republic	www.iddi.org
Environmental Management Agency (EMA)	Zimbabwe	www.ema.co.zw
Environmental Project Implementation Unit (EPIU)	Armenia	www.epiu.am

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Accreditation Related Documents

- **Guidance on Accreditation Standards**
- **Accreditation Application Form**
- **NIE Accreditation Toolkit**
- **Guidelines for Designated Authorities to Select an NIE**
- **Available at <https://www.adaptation-fund.org/apply-funding/accreditation/accreditation-application/>**



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