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Agenda Item 6c)

**PROPOSAL FOR ARGENTINA, BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, COLOMBIA, CHILE,
ECUADOR, PERU, SURINAME, URUGUAY, VENEZUELA**

Background

1. The strategic priorities, policies and guidelines of the Adaptation Fund (the Fund), as well as its operational policies and guidelines include provisions for funding projects and programmes at the regional, i.e. transnational level. However, the Fund has thus far not funded such projects and programmes.

2. The Adaptation Fund Board (the Board), as well as its Project and Programme Review Committee (PPRC) and Ethics and Finance Committee (EFC) considered issues related to regional projects and programmes on a number of occasions between the Board's fourteenth and twenty-first meetings but the Board did not make decisions for the purpose of inviting proposals for such projects. Indeed, in its fourteenth meeting, the Board decided to:

- (c) Request the secretariat to send a letter to any accredited regional implementing entities informing them that they could present a country project/programme but not a regional project/programme until a decision had been taken by the Board, and that they would be provided with further information pursuant to that decision*

(Decision B.14/25 (c))

3. At its eighth meeting in March 2012, the PPRC came up with recommendations on certain definitions related to regional projects and programmes. However, as the subsequent seventeenth Board meeting took a different strategic approach to the overall question of regional projects and programmes, these PPRC recommendations were not included in a Board decision.

4. At its twenty-fourth meeting, the Board heard a presentation from the coordinator of the working group set up by decision B.17/20 and tasked with following up on the issue of regional projects and programmes. She circulated a recommendation prepared by the working group, for the consideration by the Board, and the Board decided:

- (a) To initiate steps to launch a pilot programme on regional projects and programmes, not to exceed US\$ 30 million;*
- (b) That the pilot programme on regional projects and programmes will be outside of the consideration of the 50 per cent cap on multilateral implementing entities (MIEs) and the country cap;*
- (c) That regional implementing entities (RIEs) and MIEs that partner with national implementing entities (NIEs) or other national institutions would be eligible for this pilot programme, and*

- (d) *To request the secretariat to prepare for the consideration of the Board, before the twenty-fifth meeting of the Board or intersessionally, under the guidance of the working group set up under decision B.17/20, a proposal for such a pilot programme based on consultations with contributors, MIEs, RIEs, the Adaptation Committee, the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN), the Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG), and other relevant bodies, as appropriate, and in that proposal make a recommendation on possible options on approaches, procedures and priority areas for the implementation of the pilot programme.*

(Decision B.24/30)

5. The proposal requested under (d) of the decision above was prepared by the secretariat and submitted to the Board in its twenty-fifth meeting, and the Board decided to:

- (a) *Approve the pilot programme on regional projects and programmes, as contained in document AFB/B.25/6/Rev.2;*
- (b) *Set a cap of US\$ 30 million for the programme;*
- (c) *Request the secretariat to issue a call for regional project and programme proposals for consideration by the Board in its twenty-sixth meeting; and*
- (d) *Request the secretariat to continue discussions with the Climate Technology Center and Network (CTCN) towards operationalizing, during the implementation of the pilot programme on regional projects and programmes, the Synergy Option 2 on knowledge management proposed by CTCN and included in Annex III of the document AFB/B.25/6/Rev.2.*

(Decision B.25/28)

6. Based on the Board Decision B.25/28, the first call for regional project and programme proposals was issued and an invitation letter to eligible Parties to submit project and programme proposals to the Fund was sent out on 5 May 2015.

7. At its twenty-sixth meeting the Board decided *to request the secretariat to inform the Multilateral Implementing Entities and Regional Implementing Entities that the call for proposals under the Pilot Programme for Regional Projects and Programmes is still open and to encourage them to submit proposals to the Board at its 27th meeting, bearing in mind the cap established by Decision B.25/26.*

(Decision B.26/3)

8. At its twenty-seventh meeting the Board decided to:
- (a) *Continue consideration of regional project and programme proposals under the pilot programme, while reminding the implementing entities that the amount set aside for the pilot programme is US\$ 30 million;*
 - (b) *Request the secretariat to prepare for consideration by the Project and Programme Review Committee at its nineteenth meeting, a proposal for prioritization among regional project/programme proposals, including for awarding project formulation grants, and for establishment of a pipeline; and*
 - (c) *Consider the matter of the pilot programme for regional projects and programmes at its twenty-eighth meeting.*

(Decision B.27/5)

9. The proposal requested in (b) above was presented to the nineteenth meeting of the PPRC as document AFB/PPRC.19/5. The Board subsequently decided:

- a) *With regard to the pilot programme approved by decision B.25/28:*
 - (i) *To prioritize the four projects and 10 project formulation grants as follows:*
 - 1. *If the proposals recommended to be funded in a given meeting of the PPRC do not exceed the available slots under the pilot programme, all those proposals would be submitted to the Board for funding;*
 - 2. *If the proposals recommended to be funded in a given meeting of the PPRC do exceed the available slots under the pilot programme, the proposals to be funded under the pilot programme would be prioritized so that the total number of projects and project formulation grants (PFGs) under the programme maximizes the total diversity of projects/PFGs. This would be done using a three-tier prioritization system: so that the proposals in relatively less funded sectors would be prioritized as the first level of prioritization. If there are more than one proposal in the same sector: the proposals in relatively less funded regions are prioritized as the second level of prioritization. If there are more than one proposal in the same region, the proposals submitted by relatively less represented implementing entity would be prioritized as the third level of prioritization;*
 - (ii) *To request the secretariat to report on the progress and experiences of the pilot programme to the PPRC at its twenty-third meeting; and*
- b) *With regard to financing regional proposals beyond the pilot programme referred to above:*

(i) *To continue considering regional proposals for funding, within the two categories originally described in document AFB/B.25/6/Rev.2: ones requesting up to US\$ 14 million, and others requesting up to US\$ 5 million, subject to review of the regional programme;*

(ii) *To establish two pipelines for technically cleared regional proposals: one for proposals up to US\$ 14 million and the other for proposals up to US\$ 5 million, and place any technically cleared regional proposals, in those pipelines, in the order described in decision B.17/19 (their date of recommendation by the PPRC, their submission date, their lower “net” cost); and*

(iii) *To fund projects from the two pipelines, using funds available for the respective types of implementing entities, so that the maximum number of or maximum total funding for projects and project formulation grants to be approved each fiscal year will be outlined at the time of approving the annual work plan of the Board.*

(Decision B.28/1)

10. At its thirty-first meeting, having considered the comments and recommendation of the Project and Programme Review Committee, the Adaptation Fund Board (the Board) decided:

(a) *To merge the two pipelines for technically cleared regional proposals established in decision B.28/1(b)(ii), so that starting in fiscal year 2019 the provisional amount of funding for regional proposals would be allocated without distinction between the two categories originally described in document AFB/B.25/6/Rev.2, and that the funding of regional proposals would be established on a ‘first come, first served’ basis; and*

(b) *To include in its work programme for fiscal year 2019 provision of an amount of US\$ 60 million for the funding of regional project and programme proposals, as follows:*

(i) *Up to US\$ 59 million to be used for funding regional project and programme proposals in the two categories of regional projects and programmes: ones requesting up to US \$14 million, and others requesting up to US\$ 5 million; and*

(ii) *Up to US\$ 1 million for funding project formulation grant requests for preparing regional project and programme concepts or fully-developed project and programme documents.*

(Decision B.31/3)

11. The following project pre-concept document titled “An Integrated System for Evaluating Hydrological Status and Outlooks to Support key Economic Sectors and Vulnerable

Communities in South America, to Adapt to Climate Change and Build Resilience” was submitted for Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay, Venezuela by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), which is a Multilateral Implementing Entity of the Adaptation Fund.

12. This is the third submission of the pre-concept note, using the three-step submission process.

13. It was first submitted as a project pre-concept ahead of the forty-fourth meeting.

14. The current submission was received by the secretariat in time to be considered in the forty-fourth Board meeting. The secretariat carried out a technical review of the project proposal, with the diary number AF00000416, and completed a review sheet.

15. In accordance with a request to the secretariat made by the Board in its 10th meeting, the secretariat shared this review sheet with WMO and offered it the opportunity of providing responses before the review sheet was sent to the PPRC.

16. The secretariat is submitting to the PPRC the summary and, pursuant to decision B.17/15, the final technical review of the project, both prepared by the secretariat, along with the final submission of the proposal in the following section. In accordance with decision B.25.15, the proposal is submitted with changes between the initial submission and the revised version highlighted.



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ADAPTATION FUND BOARD SECRETARIAT TECHNICAL REVIEW OF PROJECT/PROGRAMME PROPOSAL

PROJECT/PROGRAMME CATEGORY: Pre-Concept for a Regional Project

Countries/Region:	Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay, Venezuela	
Project Title:	An integrated system for evaluating hydrological status and outlooks to support key economic sectors and vulnerable communities in South America, to adapt to climate change and build resilience	
Thematic focal area:	Disaster risk reduction and early warning systems	
Implementing Entity:	World Meteorological Organization (WMO)	
Executing Entities:	National institutions designated by the designated authorities in each participating country and regional institutions: OTCA, CIC, and PROHMSAT Regional Center	
AF Project ID:	AF00000416	
IE Project ID:		Requested Financing from Adaptation Fund (US Dollars): 13,998,300
Reviewer and contact person:	Estefanía Jiménez	Co-reviewer(s):
IE Contact Person(s):	Moyenda Chaponda	

Technical Summary	<p>The project “An integrated system for evaluating hydrological status and outlooks to support key economic sectors and vulnerable communities in South America, to adapt to climate change and build resilience” aims to improve the adaptative capacities of key socio-economic sectors in South America and vulnerable communities, to climate change through the provision of accessible, user oriented, gender responsive, and fit-for-purpose hydrometeorological information and services. This will be done through the three components below:</p> <p><u>Component 1:</u> Capacity development of the NMHSs to provide information on hydrological status and outlooks for adaptation to climate change and reduction of water-related risks (USD 4,500,000).</p> <p><u>Component 2:</u> Strengthening inter-institutional working relationships and developing capacities at regional and national levels to support hydrometeorological services, including access to hydrological status and outlook products, and warning services (USD 2,200,000)</p> <p><u>Component 3:</u> Communication and dissemination strategies on hydrological status and S2S outlook products for selected economic sectors, and gender-responsive early warning systems aimed at selected vulnerable communities (USD 4,754,300).</p>
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	<p>Requested financing overview: Project/Programme Execution Cost: USD 1,272,000 Total Project/Programme Cost: USD 12,726,300 Implementing Fee: USD 1,272,000 Financing Requested: USD 13,998,300</p> <p>The proposal includes a request for a project formulation grant of USD 50,000.</p> <p>The first technical review raises some issues, such as reverting to the original font sizes used in the proposal template, providing further details on the demonstration cases planned under output 3.2.1, and clarifying matters related to implementation arrangements, as discussed in the number of Clarification Requests (CRs) and Corrective Action Request (CAR) raised in the review.</p> <p>The second technical review finds that the proposal has addressed most of the CR and CAR requests. One outstanding CAR remains namely the amount of financing requested should be revised on the cover page.</p> <p>The third technical review finds that the proposal has addressed all the CR and CAR requests.</p>
Date	February 27, 2025

Review Criteria	Questions	Comments First Technical Review December 20, 2024	Comments Second Technical Review January 20, 2024	Comments Third Technical Review February 27, 2025
Country Eligibility	1. Are all of the participating countries party to the Kyoto Protocol and/or the Paris Agreement?	Yes.	-	-
	2. Are all of the participating countries developing countries particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change?	Yes. Participating countries in both the Amazon and La Plata basins face shared climate change induced challenges and impacts, including droughts, floods, and rising temperatures.	-	-

Project Eligibility	1. Have the designated government authorities for the Adaptation Fund from each of the participating countries endorsed the project/programme?	<p>Yes.</p> <p>As per the Endorsement letters dated 11 November 2024 (Argentina), 14 October 2024 (Brazil), 29 July 2024 (Bolivia), 5 July 2024 (Colombia), 26 June 2024 (Chile), 26 July 2024 (Ecuador), 27 June 2024 (Suriname), 7 August 2024, (Paraguay), 26 August 2024 (Peru), 19 July 2024 (Uruguay), and 3 July 2024 (Venezuela).</p>	-	-
	2. Has the pre-concept provided necessary information on the problem the proposed project/programme is aiming to solve, including both the regional and the country perspective?	<p>Yes.</p>	-	-
	3. Have the project/programme objectives, components and financing been clearly explained?	<p>Yes.</p> <p>CAR1: Throughout the pre-concept proposal, please stick to the font sizes used in the template (i.e., Times Roman 11 in tables – except for certification boxes in Part IV – and Arial 11 for text outside of the tables), ensuring that the pre-concept proposal</p>	<p>CAR1: Cleared.</p> <p>CR1: Cleared. As per the additional information provided in the response sheet, which clarify that three main criteria will be used to allocate funding among</p>	-

		<p>amount to no more than 5 pages (part I to III).</p> <p>CR1: Please describe how funding would be allocated among participating countries, and on which basis/criteria.</p>	<p>participating countries: i) potential to decrease the gap in technology for modelling and data sharing; ii) proposed interventions' regional dimension; and iii) communities' accessibility and impact.</p>	
	<p>4. Has the project/programme been justified in terms of how:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - it supports concrete adaptation actions? - it builds added value through the regional approach? - it promotes new and innovative solutions to climate change adaptation? - it is cost-effective? - it is consistent with applicable strategies and plans? - it incorporates learning and knowledge management? - it will be developed through a consultative process with particular reference to vulnerable groups, including gender considerations, in 	<p>Not cleared. Additional information is required.</p> <p>CR2: The proposal should describe the project alignment with NMHS' National Strategic Plans, Country Hydromet Diagnosis (Alliance for Hydromet Development), and any readiness support received in the context of the Systematic Observations Financing Facility.</p> <p>CR3: The proposal should briefly expand on i) the nature and characteristics of output 3.2.1 demonstration cases; ii) the process and associated criteria through which the project would identify such cases and the vulnerable communities; and iii) whether these cases will be identified at concept and fully-developed</p>	<p>CR2: Cleared. As per the additional information provided on p.4 and 5, and in the response sheet.</p> <p>CR3: Cleared. As per the additional information provided on p. 5, which clarify that the demonstration cases will be fully identified during the development of the concept note, as part of the consultative process and in close collaboration with communities, National Meteorological and Hydrological Services</p>	

	<p>compliance with the Environmental and Social Policy of the Adaptation Fund? - it will take into account sustainability?</p>	<p>proposal stages, keeping in mind the Fund's guidance on unidentified sub-projects (USP).</p>	<p>(NMHS) and disaster risk management institutions.</p>	
	<p>5. Does the pre-concept briefly explain which organizations would be involved in the proposed regional project/programme at the regional and national/sub-national level, and how coordination would be arranged? Does it explain how national institutions, and when possible, national implementing entities (NIEs) would be involved as partners in the project?</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>CAR2: The Implementation Arrangements section should be revised to i) clarify the roles and responsibilities of the regional executing entities and the national ones; ii) provide an organization chart showing how the various entities/institutions involved will report to each other; and iii) demonstrate how the project will ensure a smooth coordination amongst all stakeholders.</p> <p>CR4: The pre-concept note should clarify whether the project will involve any AF National Implementing Entities as part of its implementation arrangements.</p> <p>CR5: Please kindly explain why Executing Entities in</p>	<p>CAR2: Cleared. As per the additional information provided on p.6.</p> <p>CR4: Cleared. As per the additional information provided on p.6, which confirm that National Implementing Entities are not considered to be part of the implementation arrangements. When developing the concept note, WMO is kindly requested to inform such Entities of the development of the present proposal.</p> <p>CR5: Cleared.</p>	

		<p>Argentina, Peru and Uruguay are not yet identified.</p> <p>CAR3: By the fully-developed proposal clarification of the execution arrangements of the project <u>for each participating country</u>, ie. if by regional executing entities and/or national executing entities.</p>	<p>As per the additional information provided in the response sheet, which confirms that the countries had not yet identified the Executing Entities at the time of submission of the pre-concept note.</p> <p>CAR3: Cleared. As per the commitment made to clarify such arrangements by the time the fully-developed proposal is submitted.</p>	
Resource Availability	<p>6. Is the requested project / programme funding within the funding windows of the programme for regional projects/programmes?</p>	<p>Yes.</p>		
	<p>7. Are the administrative costs (Implementing Entity Management Fee and Project/ Programme Execution Costs) at or below 10 per cent of the project/programme for implementing entity (IE) fees and at or below 10 per cent of the project/programme</p>	<p>No.</p> <p>CAR4: The proposal should address discrepancies in the figures presented (e.g., Total Component 1 should equal USD 4,500,000, Total project/programme cost USD 12,726,300, and the amount of financing requested USD 13,998,300). You may refer to the IE cost and EE fee calculator, as needed.</p>	<p>CAR4: Not cleared. Although most figures were corrected, the cover page still refers to USD 13,999,700 as amount of financing requested, when it rather seems to be USD 13,998,300.</p>	<p>CAR4: Cleared. The required correction has been made and the amount of USD 13,998,300 is used consistently.</p>

	cost for the execution costs?			
Eligibility of IE	8. Is the project/programme submitted through an eligible Implementing Entity that has been accredited by the Board?	Yes. WMO's accreditation expiration date is 30 March 2027.	-	-



PROPOSAL COVER PAGE

1. Type of project: Single-Country Regional
2. Countries: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador, Peru, Surinam, Uruguay, Venezuela
3. Project/Programme Category: Regular
4. Project/Programme Stage: Pre-concept
5. Requested financing amount (in U.S. Dollars Equivalent): 13,998,300
6. Project Formulation Grant (PFG) Request: Yes No
7. Requested financing amount for PFG (in U.S. Dollars Equivalent): 50,000
8. Letter/s of Endorsement (LOE) signed:
LOEs should be signed by the Designated Authority (DA). The signatory DA must be on file with the Adaptation Fund. To find the DA currently on file check this page: <https://www.adaptation-fund.org/apply-funding/designated-authorities>
Yes No
9. Write the date of endorsement for each LOE for the project.

Argentina	Date: 11/19/2024
Bolivia	Date: 07/29/2024
Brazil	Date: 10/14/2024
Chile	Date: 06/26/2024
Colombia	Date: 07/05/2024
Ecuador	Date: 07/26/2024
Peru	Date: 08/07/2024
Suriname	Date: 06/27/2024
Uruguay	Date: 07/19/2024
Venezuela	Date: 07/03/2024

10. Title of Project/Programme: An integrated system for evaluating hydrological status and outlooks to support key economic sectors and vulnerable communities in South America, to adapt to climate change and build resilience
11. Implementing Entity: World Meteorological Organization (WMO)

12. Executing Entities:

- **Argentina:** Subsecretaría de Ambiente del Gobierno de la República Argentina
- **Bolivia:** Servicio Nacional de Meteorología e Hidrología de Bolivia
- **Brazil:** Agência Nacional de Aguas (ANA)
- **Chile:** Dirección Meteorológica de Chile
- **Colombia:** Instituto Nacional de Hidrología, Meteorología y Estudios Ambientales de Colombia
- **Ecuador:** Instituto Nacional de Meteorología e Hidrología de Ecuador
- **Perú:** To be determined in next stage
- **Suriname:** Ministry of Public Works
- **Uruguay:** To be determined in next stage
- **Venezuela:** Instituto Nacional de Meteorología e Hidrología
- **ACTO:** Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization
- **CIC:** Intergovernmental Coordination Committee of the La Plata Basin Countries
- **PROHMSAT Regional Center¹**

13. Is this a new submission or a resubmission: New: Resubmission:

14. If a resubmission, please select the last submission date: n/a

¹ Regional Center hosted by National Water Institute (INA) and National Meteorological Service (SMN) of Argentina under the Hydrometeorological Forecasting and Early Warning System for La Plata Basin Project



PRE-CONCEPT FOR A REGIONAL PROJECT/PROGRAMME

PART I: PROJECT/PROGRAMME INFORMATION

Title of Project/Programme: An integrated system for evaluating hydrological status and outlooks to support key economic sectors and vulnerable communities in South America, to adapt to climate change and build resilience

Countries¹: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador, Peru, Surinam, Uruguay, Venezuela

Thematic Focal Area²: Disaster risk reduction and early warning systems

Type of Implementing Entity: Multilateral Implementing Entity

Implementing Entity: World Meteorological Organization (WMO)

Executing Entities: National institutions designated by the AF designated authority in each participating country and regional institutions, OTCA³, CIC⁴, and PROHMSAT Regional Center⁵

Amount of Financing Requested: 13.998.3009.700 (in U.S Dollars Equivalent)

Project Formulation Grant Request: Yes No

Amount of Requested financing for PFG: 50.000 (in U.S Dollars Equivalent)

Letters of Endorsement (LOE) signed for all countries: Yes No

NOTE: LOEs should be signed by the Designated Authority (DA). The signatory DA must be on file with the Adaptation Fund. To find the DA currently on file check this page: <https://www.adaptation-fund.org/apply-funding/designated-authorities>

Stage of Submission:

This pre-concept has been submitted before This is the first submission ever of the pre-concept

In case of a resubmission, please indicate the last submission date: [Click or tap to enter a date.](#)

Please note that pre-concept should not exceed 5 pages (in addition to this first cover page)

¹ There is consensus among participating countries that Guyana and Paraguay will join the project in next stage

² Thematic areas are: Food security; Disaster risk reduction and early warning systems; Transboundary water management; Innovation in adaptation finance.

³ ACTO: Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization

⁴ CIC: Intergovernmental Coordination Committee of the La Plata Basin Countries

⁵ PROHMSAT Regional Centre: A centre established under the Hydrometeorological Forecasting and Early Warning System Project, currently hosted jointly by the National Water Institute and the National Meteorological Service of Argentina. The regional center provides hydrological forecasting to the five countries of the La Plata Basin.

Project/Programme Background and Context:

South America is one of the regions with the greatest documented need to strengthen hydrometeorological early warning systems. Floods, droughts, heat and cold waves, and tropical cyclones have caused hundreds of lives, serious damage to agricultural production and infrastructure, and population displacements (UNFCCC, 2022).

A significant proportion of the continent is covered by two macro basins: the Amazon Basin (shared by Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Surinam, and Venezuela) and the La Plata Basin (shared by Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay). The extensive wetland and forest systems of both basins constitute important deposits of freshwater and carbon. Although both basins are characterized by their great diversity and productive potential, each has its particularities and stands out globally: the La Plata Basin is one of the regions with the greatest production of food and energy, while the Amazon Basin is one of the greatest shelters of biodiversity and source of oxygen.

~~The Amazon and La Plata These~~ basins are particularly vulnerable to climate change. The Amazon Basin currently has around 48.5 million people, 400 indigenous communities, and it is under an accelerated process of land use change, which makes it more vulnerable to droughts and floods. In the La Plata basin's case, its population is over 110 million, its water and mineral resources, forests, and its soils' fertility have created a region of strong population attraction (CIC, 2024). In both macro basins, dispersed rural communities still maintain livelihoods linked to the rivers, using them as a source of food and transportation. The hydrometeorological extreme events that recently occurred in the region demonstrate the urgent need to take measures to reduce disaster risks and adapt to climate change.

~~The hydrometeorological extreme events that recently occurred in the region demonstrate the urgent need to take measures to reduce disaster risks and adapt to climate change. Prolonged drought conditions have contributed to negative effects on several economic sectors in both macro basins and in Chile, including agriculture, energy, fluvial transportation, and water supply. The Negro River in the Amazon basin hit record low flows since 1902 (WMO, 2023). In particular, the drought has caused flow interruption in the rivers, leaving riverine communities isolated. Exceptionally high temperatures, low air humidity and severe drought have also led to unprecedented periods of forest fires in Argentina and Paraguay (WMO, 2022). In southern Brazil, recent floods in 2024 affected over one million people, disrupted infrastructure, and caused dozens of deaths.~~

In this context, experts of the National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs) of the WMO Regional Association III (South America), who are members of its Hydrology and Water Resources working group, have developed a plan for the regional implementation of WMO Global Hydrological Status and Outlook System initiative (HydroSOS). This plan, approved by WMO Congress, aims to implement hydrological status and sub-seasonal to seasonal (S2S) outlook products tailored to the specific needs of different economic sectors, in particular vulnerable communities. HydroSOS is the backbone supporting the Early Warnings for All initiative (EW4ALL) for hydrological disasters and thus supports local resilience and preparedness. The plan builds upon existing development and capacities in the region, including the Decision Support System of the Intergovernmental Coordination Committee of the La Plata Basin Countries (CIC) and the Amazon Regional Observatory of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (OTCA). The plan also considers products and services generated, as well as lessons learned under other projects such as ENANDES, ENANDES Plus, La Plata Program, SISSA, and SERVIR Amazonas, among others.

Field Code Changed

Project/Programme Objectives:

General Objective: To improve the adaptation capacities of key socio-economic sectors in South America, in particular vulnerable communities, to climate change through the provision of accessible, user oriented, gender responsive, and fit-for-purpose hydrometeorological information and services.

Specific objectives:

1. Improve the capacities of NMHSs in South America to generate hydrological status and sub-seasonal to seasonal (S2S) outlooks tailored to the needs of economic-productive sectors and communities, with special attention to the most vulnerable.

2. Strengthen working relationships among the NMHSs, Disaster Risk Reduction entities, and regional institutions that contribute to the provision of hydrometeorological monitoring, forecasting, and warning services, through sharing data and products, establishing community of practices, defining action protocols, and providing capacity development.
3. Promote a culture of informed decision-making within society, particularly among vulnerable communities, based on hydrometeorological risks.

Project/Programme Components and Financing:

Project/Programme Components	Expected Outcomes	Expected Outputs	Amount (US\$)	Countries
1. Capacity development of the NMHSs to provide information on hydrological status and outlooks for adaptation to climate change and reduction of water-related risks.	1.1 The NMHSs of the La Plata Basin countries, the Amazon Basin countries, and Chile have strengthened their capacity and provide information on hydrological status and S2S outlooks, addressing the specific needs for early warning and climate risk reduction of different socio-economic sectors and identified users, particularly the most vulnerable.	1.1.1. Data and products shared through regional interoperable information and dissemination service, available in real time, on hydrological status and S2S outlooks in the La Plata Basin, the Amazon Basin, and Chile.	1.000.000	Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Perú, Surinam, Uruguay, Venezuela, Chile
		1.1.2. Specialized human resources of the NMHSs trained in the use, evaluation, development and implementation of Hydrological Models and Numerical Procedures for hydrological status and S2S outlooks, and a Community of Practice for continuous training created.	1.750.000	
		1.1.3. Regional models/numerical procedures for hydrological status and S2S outlooks products generation developed and implemented.	750.000	
		1.1.4. Digital repositories and wikis on hydrological status and S2S outlooks created/published, including scripts and notebooks of numerical procedures, to transfer new products among	1.000.000	

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		different agencies and to stakeholders.		
		Total Component 1	4,950.000 4,500.000	
2. Strengthening inter-institutional working relationships and developing capacities at regional and national levels to support hydrometeorological services, including access to hydrological status and outlook products, and warning services	2.1 Existing regional institutions related to hydrometeorology in the region are inter-linked and better prepared to support countries in relation to hydrological status and S2S outlooks	2.1.1 Products developed and/or strengthened in relation to the hydrological status and S2S outlooks are shared and incorporated as needed in the information systems of regional institutions.	700.000	Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Perú, Surinam, Uruguay, Venezuela, Chile
		2.1.2 Technical experts from regional institutions trained in S2S hydrological outlooks; WMO Regional Training Centers play a key role in this capacity-building process.	500.000	
	2.2 National risk management institutions work collaboratively with NMHSs to provide hydrological early warning services at S2S scale	2.2.1 National risk management institutions and NMHSs, responsible for the provision of hydrological outlooks, are coordinated for service provision through the establishment of, for example, action protocols, agreements.	500.000	
		2.2.2 Technical staff from national institutions responsible for risk management trained in the interpretation of S2S hydrological outlooks.	500.000	
		Total Component 2	2.200.000	
3. Communication and dissemination strategies on hydrological status and S2S outlook products for selected economic sectors, and gender-responsive early warning systems aimed at selected	3.1 Selected economic sectors (agriculture, energy, fluvial transportation, environment, water supply, fisheries) have accessible, reliable, easy-to-understand	3.1.1 Sector-specific communication and dissemination plans formulated and implemented in a participatory manner.	2.500.300	Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Perú, Surinam, Uruguay, Venezuela, Chile
		3.1.2 Training provided to economic sectors on the interpretation of	500.000	

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vulnerable communities.	products, adjusted to the decision-making needs, in relation to the hydrological status and the S2S outlooks.	hydrological status and S2S outlook products to support science-based actions.		
	3.2: Selected vulnerable communities have accessible, reliable, easy-to-understand products available, adjusted to their decision-making needs, in relation to the hydrological status and the S2S outlooks.	3.2.1 For selected vulnerable communities, co-developed, gender-responsive, replicable demonstration cases on the provision of hydrological services tailored to their decision-making needs, including access to hydrological status and outlook products, warning services, and training	1.754.000	
Total Component 3			4.754.300	Total Components 11.454.300
6. Project/Programme Execution cost (EE fee 10%)				1.272.000
7. Total Project/Programme Cost				
8. Project/Programme Cycle Management Fee charged by the Implementing Entity (IE fee 10%)				
	<u>12.726.300</u>			
	<u>1.272.630</u>			
Amount of Financing Requested			<u>13.998.300</u>	

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Project Duration: 4 years

PART II: PROJECT/PROGRAMME JUSTIFICATION

The project is aligned with the Adaptation Fund objective to “reduce vulnerability and increase adaptive capacity of communities to respond to the impacts of climate change at local, national and regional level” and with the Environmental and Social Policy of the Adaptation Fund (ESP). It is also aligned and contributes to the priorities identified by the region’s countries in their National Determined Contributions (NDC). The proposal is complementary to the Early Warning for All initiative to which all NMHSs subscribe in their strategic plans and is also aligned with the countries’ national climate change adaptation plans and DRR plans, in actions related to improving hydrometeorological warning systems. It is also complementary with the Systematic Observations Financing Facility (SOFF) in which the countries of Ecuador, Guyana, and Suriname participate. While SOFF ensures sustainable funding of meteorological observations, HydroSOS will support information exchange and maximizing the value of observation data. In addition, the project will leverage on Country Hydromet Diagnosis (CHD) reports to guide pilot project designs in EW4All-selected countries as applicable (Ecuador and Suriname).

A regional approach in this project is the most appropriate way to achieve the proposed objectives. Hydrological monitoring and forecasting inherently require a river basin approach. Among the countries, disparities exist in terms of access to hydrological information. Data is heterogeneous, with different formats and definitions, and monitoring networks vary in densities. The regional approach is necessary for evaluating HydroSOS applications and tools, as well as for improving downstream monitoring and forecasting—essential components of the region’s early warning systems. Additionally, approaching the project regionally enhances cost-effectiveness. Countries can share knowledge, lessons learned, best practices, tools, and technological developments. There is also a clear economy of scale in the development of tools, making them operational, and for capacity building. Furthermore, a regional approach in the implementation of the demonstration cases, Component 3, will give vulnerable communities a unique opportunity to share among them challenges and adaptation measures, to improve their livelihoods.

The first component centers on strengthening the capacities of the NMHSs in terms of knowledge of the hydrological status and its perspectives at the S2S scale. To this end, it addresses regional data integration and preparation of status and outlook products, building upon what is already in place, and ensuring competent human resources to provide sustainable services. Therefore, central to this project is data and products sharing among countries and synergies with OTCA’s Hydrological Observatory and CIC’s Decision Support System (CIC-DSS).

The second component will strengthen technical capacities and will foster synergies and working relationships among institutions at the regional and national levels, so to build on existing capacities and better serve countries’ needs. At regional level, the following entities will be involved: two intergovernmental organizations - one for each macro basin - the Intergovernmental Coordination Committees of the countries of La Plata Basin (CIC) and the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (OTCA). In addition, the La Plata Basin Hydrometeorological Forecasting and Early Warning System (PROHMSAT) Regional Center and the two WMO Regional Climate Centers: the WMO Regional Climate Center for South of South America (CRC-SAS), which includes all La Plata basin countries and Chile, and the WMO Regional Climate Center for Western South America (CRC-OSA), covering Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Perú y Venezuela. WMO Regional Training Centers, currently located in Argentina, Brazil, and Peru, will play a pivotal role in building capacities. At the national level, disaster risk reduction entities (DRRs), as users of hydrological products, will receive training in HydroSOS products interpretation, and together with NMHSs, as providers, will establish and/or improve concrete coordination mechanisms.

The third component focuses on the last mile of the value chain of early warning systems, ensuring two-way communication between service providers and users, as well as effective dissemination. This component is crucial for ensuring that actionable hydrometeorological information reaches socio-economic sectors in a timely and group-specific format. For each country, a demonstration case will be selected based on the following criteria: that the use of the HydroSOS service is feasible; that the forecast improves hydrological warning conditions and allows risk reduction for vulnerable populations whose livelihoods depend on water or are exposed to hydrological hazards. This will allow the evaluation of the tool/service in the area, as a bridge between the technical-scientific production and the "last mile", the users. The cases will be identified during the consultation process and socialization of the project in the Concept Note. Proposals will be received from the NMHS in conjunction with the disaster risk management areas of each country. The demonstration cases will address vulnerable communities, involving them in the design process from the beginning. Gender-responsive knowledge dialogues will play a key role in integrating local knowledge, culture, and scientific insights to achieve the last mile and empower communities to adapt to climate change. The selected communities facing local challenges will have opportunities for interaction among those with similar needs at the regional level and share adaptation measures. Methodologies and lessons learnt will be documented to facilitate replication.

While this project focuses on climate change adaptation and has specific socio-economic sectors and vulnerable communities as beneficiaries, an additional beneficiary is the environmental sector since information on the hydrological status and outlooks will significantly contribute to integrated water resources management.

The funding will be distributed so that each NMHS can count on the necessary basic equipment and human resources training to develop products and distribute services (computer equipment, training workshops, webinars, etc.) Funding to develop a demonstration case in each country, will be distributed according to the

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selection of each case according to the geographic area, population, etc. that will be selected in the next stage at the Concept Note.

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The project's sustainability is ensured, first, by satisfied socio-economic sectors/activities who will have access to hydrological status and outlooks tailored to their needs and a growing demand for such products driven by climate change. Secondly, the project prioritizes the capacity development of service providers, particularly on-the-job training of IT staff, hydrologists, disasters risk and water managers, and in accordance with WMO competency framework, and supported by WMO Regional Training Centers. Additionally, trained staff will benefit from long-term technical support from WMO's community of experts, as the project implements regionally WMO HydroSOS initiative. Furthermore, the project does not propose the creation of new centers to provide the services but rather the support and consolidation of existing ones, such as the WMO Regional Climate Centres (RCCs). The RCCs are already providing climate services. However, climate services are limited to climate variables and do not yet include hydrological services, particularly at sub-seasonal to seasonal (S2S) scales. This project aims to complement/extend the services currently provided by the RCCs by adding the hydrological component to climate services. ~~Finally, the project is designed and executed by the countries as reflected in the implementation arrangements, therefore aligned with their needs.~~

The project promotes innovative solutions for climate change adaptation by integrating existing information through new approaches, technologies and mechanisms, supported by WMO Regional Specialized Hydrological Centres and academic partners. WMO HydroSOS is an innovative tool for climate change adaptation as it provides the first global operational mechanism to integrate assessments and perspectives of hydrological status and forecasts with weekly, monthly, or quarterly time horizons (sub-seasonal and seasonal). This project is the HydroSOS regional implementation. Additionally, the project fosters innovation through the establishment of multidisciplinary and multicultural working groups. These groups will play a pivotal role in articulating regional projects and programs, ensuring cross-linkages and comprehensive solutions, particularly in the demonstration cases.

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PART III: IMPLEMENTATION ARRANGEMENTS

WMO will serve as the Implementing Entity (IE). Execution will be between regional and national executing agencies, according to the nature of the activities. The project will appoint a General Project Coordinator and within each macro basin, a team of three consultants, covering the following areas of expertise: information technologies, modelling and forecasting services, and communication science. For the Executing Entities, at the regional level, CIC, PROHMSAT Regional Center, and OTCA will oversee regional activities in the La Plata and Amazon basins. Additionally, each country will have its own national executing entity.

Regional Executing Entities (REE), will be responsible for the development of the outputs of components 1 and 2. These regional entities will be OTCA for the Amazon basin and CIC together with PROHMSAT Regional Center for the La Plata basin.

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Each country will establish a National Executing Unit (NEU), coordinated by a National Coordinator nominated by the NMHS and hired for the project with clear responsibilities in relation to the three components and national activities. The NEU will be responsible for facilitating the execution of national activities. The output 2.2 and Component 3 will be the responsibility of these units and will ensure the necessary coordination and involvement of stakeholders at the national level. The National Units represent an in-kind contribution from each country, reinforcing each country's project ownership, and therefore contributing to project sustainability.



As part of the responsibilities of the Regional Executing Entities (REE), the project will appoint a General Project Coordinator and within each macro basin, a team of three consultants, covering the following areas of expertise: information technologies, modelling and forecasting services, and communication science. REEs will play a critical role in articulation and optimization of resources to achieve the goals.

National Executing Entities (NEE) will be responsible for facilitating the execution of national activities. In some countries the NEE will be the NMHS. In that case, its responsibility will be both administrative and

technical. In countries where the NEE will differ from the NMHS, the EE will have administrative responsibilities, and the technical ones will be under the NMHS. Each country will have an expert, hired by the project, with clear responsibilities in relation to the three components.

Furthermore, each country will establish a National Unit, coordinated by the National Coordinator nominated by the NMHS. Technical experts designated by each country for each of the three project components will be part of the National Unit. National Units will ensure the necessary coordination and involvement of stakeholders at the national level. The National Units represent an in-kind contribution from each country, reinforcing each country's project ownership, and therefore contributing to project sustainability.

To oversee project activities, a Steering Committee (SC) will be established and will convene every six months. The SC comprises the National Coordinators representing all National Units, the President and Vice-President of WMO RAIH Hydrology and Water Resources Working Group, ~~the IE Project Manager~~, the General Project Coordinator, and the focal points of each REE and each NEU.

Lastly, strategic institutional partnerships will be national risk management institutions, CRC-SAS, CRC-OSA, and WMO Regional Training Centres. AF NIEs are not considered to be part of the current implementation arrangements.

Note: Guyana has participated in the preliminary stages of development of the project and have expressed their intention to participate in it. Due to internal administrative reasons in the country, Guyana has not obtained its endorsement letter for this stage and for this reason it is not listed as participating country, but there is already a consensus among the 11 participating countries to add Guyana in the next stages of project development.

PART IV: ENDORSEMENT BY GOVERNMENTS AND CERTIFICATION BY THE IMPLEMENTING ENTITY

- A. Record of endorsement on behalf of the government⁶** *Provide the name and position of the government official and indicate date of endorsement for each country participating in the proposed project/programme. Add more lines as necessary. The endorsement letters should be attached as annexes to the project/programme proposal.*

<i>Ana María Vidal de Lamas Subsecretaria Subsecretaria de Ambiente Jefatura de Gabinete de Ministros Argentina</i>	<i>Date: 11/19/2024</i>
<i>Carlos David Guachalla Terrazas Viceministro de Planificación y Coordinación Ministerio de Planificación y Desarrollo Bolivia</i>	<i>Date: 07/29/2024</i>
<i>Ana Amélia Campos Toni National Secretary for Climate Change Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Brazil</i>	<i>Date: 10/14/2024</i>
<i>Maritza Jadrjevic Girardi Jefa Departamento de Adaptación División de Cambio Climático Ministerio del Medio Ambiente Chile</i>	<i>Date: 06/26/2024</i>
<i>María Teresa Becerra Ramírez Jefa de Oficina de Cooperación Internacional Ministerio de Ambiente y Desarrollo Sostenible Colombia</i>	<i>Date: 07/05/2024</i>
<i>Angel Sandoval Subsecretario de Cambio Climático Ministerio de Medio Ambiente, Agua y Transición Ecológica Ecuador</i>	<i>Date: 07/26/2024</i>
<i>Berioska Quispe Estrada Head of the General Directorate of Climate Change and Desertification Ministry of Environment Perú</i>	<i>Date: 08/07/2024</i>
<i>Ivette Pengel-Patterzon Deputy Permanent Secretary Climate Change Ministry of Spatial Planning and Environment Republic of Suriname</i>	<i>Date: 06/27/2024</i>
<i>Natalie Pareja Directora Nacional de Cambio Climático Ministerio de Ambiente Uruguay</i>	<i>Date: 07/19/2024</i>
<i>Miguel Alberto Serzano Director General Oficina de Integración y Asuntos Internacionales Ministerio del Poder Popular para el Ecosocialismo</i>	<i>Date: 07/03/2024</i>

Each Party shall designate and communicate to the secretariat the authority that will endorse on behalf of the national government the projects and programmes proposed by the implementing entities.

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B. Implementing Entity certification *Provide the name and signature of the Implementing Entity Coordinator and the date of signature. Provide also the project/programme contact person's name, telephone number and email address*

I certify that this proposal has been prepared in accordance with guidelines provided by the Adaptation Fund Board, and prevailing National Development and Adaptation Plans and subject to the approval by the Adaptation Fund Board, <u>commit to implementing the project/programme in compliance with the Environmental and Social Policy of the Adaptation Fund</u> and on the understanding that the Implementing Entity will be fully (legally and financially) responsible for the implementation of this project/programme.	
<p><i>Moyenda Chaponda</i> Implementing Entity Coordinator Development Partnerships Office</p>	
Date: November 20, 2024	Tel. and email: +41 22 730 8646 and mchaponda@wmo.int
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ANNEX I—Extension of LA PLATA BASIN and the AMAZON BASIN IN SOUTH AMERICA



República Argentina - Poder Ejecutivo Nacional
AÑO DE LA DEFENSA DE LA VIDA, LA LIBERTAD Y LA PROPIEDAD

Nota

Número: NO-2024-126850647-APN-SSAM#JGM

CIUDAD DE BUENOS AIRES
Martes 19 de Noviembre de 2024

Referencia: Apoyo Nota de concepto: "Un sistema integrado para evaluar el estado y las perspectivas hidrológicas para ayudar a los sectores económicos claves y comunidades vulnerables de América del Sur a adaptarse al cambio climático y desarrollar resiliencia"

A: The Adaptation Fund Board (afbsec@adaptation-fund.org),

Con Copia A: Juan Rodrigo Walsh (SSAM#JGM),

De mi mayor consideración:



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En mi calidad de autoridad designada para el Fondo de Adaptación en Argentina, confirmo que la nota de pre-concepto referenciada está en consonancia con las prioridades del gobierno nacional en la implementación de actividades de adaptación para reducir los impactos adversos y los riesgos que plantea el cambio climático en América del Sur. En consecuencia, me complace apoyar la propuesta de proyecto anterior con el apoyo del Fondo de Adaptación. Si se aprueba, el proyecto será implementado por la Organización Meteorológica Mundial (OMM).



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To: The Adaptation Fund Board
c/o Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat
Email: Secretariat@Adaptation-Fund.org; afbsec@Adaptation-Fund.org
Fax: 202 522 3240/5

Subject: Support for the pre-concept note: "An integrated system to assess hydrological status and prospects to help key economic sectors and vulnerable communities in South America adapt to climate change and build resilience"

In my capacity as designated authority for the Adaptation Fund in Argentina, I confirm that the above pre-concept note is in accordance with the government's national priorities in implementing adaptation activities to reduce adverse impacts of, and risks, posed by climate change in South America. Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the above project proposal with support from the Adaptation Fund. If approved, the project will be implemented by World Meteorological Organization.

Sin otro particular saluda atte.

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Subsecretaria De Ambiente
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Carta de Apoyo del Gobierno
ESTADO PLURINACIONAL DE BOLIVIA

Julio 29, 2024


A: La Junta del Fondo de Adaptación
c/o Secretaría de la Junta del Fondo de Adaptación
Correo electrónico: afbsec@adaptation-fund.org
Fax: 202 522 3240/5

Asunto: Apoyo para el proyecto denominado: *Un sistema integrado para evaluar el estado y las perspectivas hidrológicas para ayudar a los sectores económicos claves y comunidades vulnerables de América del Sur a adaptarse al cambio climático y desarrollar resiliencia.*

En mi calidad de autoridad designada para el Fondo de Adaptación en el Estado Plurinacional de Bolivia, confirmo que la propuesta de proyecto regional previamente mencionada es concordante con las prioridades regionales del gobierno en la implementación de actividades de adaptación para reducir los impactos adversos y los riesgos que plantea el cambio climático en América del Sur.

En consecuencia, me complace apoyar la propuesta de proyecto previamente mencionada con el apoyo del Fondo de Adaptación. Si se aprueba, el proyecto será implementado por la Organización Meteorológica Mundial y ejecutado por Servicio Nacional de Meteorología e Hidrología (SENAMHI).

Atentamente,



Carlos David Guachalla Terrazas
Viceministro de Planificación y Coordinación
Autoridad Designada del Estado Plurinacional de Bolivia



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MINISTERIO DE
PLANIFICACIÓN DEL DESARROLLO



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Letter of Endorsement by Government

PLURINATIONAL STATE OF BOLIVIA

July 29th, 2024

To: The Adaptation Fund Board
c/o Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat
Email: afbsec@adaptation-fund.org
Fax: 202 522 3240/5

Subject: Endorsement for **"An integrated system to assess hydrological status and outlook to help key economic sectors and vulnerable communities in South America adapt to climate change and build resilience"**

In my capacity as designated authority for the Adaptation Fund in Plurinational State of Bolivia, I confirm that the above national project proposal is in accordance with the government's regional priorities in implementing adaptation activities to reduce adverse impacts of, and risks, posed by climate change in South America.

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the above project proposal with support from the Adaptation Fund. If approved, the project will be implemented by International Fund for Agricultural Development and executed by National Service of Meteorology and Hydrology (SENAMHI).

Sincerely,

Carlos David Guachalla Terrazas
Viceminister of Planning and Coordination
Designated Authority for Plurinational State of Bolivia



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Letter of Endorsement by Government



MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE
NATIONAL SECRETARIAT FOR CLIMATE CHANGE

Brasília, October 14th, 2024

To: The Adaptation Fund Board
c/o Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat
Email: Secretariat@Adaptation-Fund.org
Fax: 202 522 3240/5

Subject: Endorsement for the project **“An integrated system to assess hydrological status to improve capacities of key economic sectors and vulnerable communities in South America adapt to climate change and build resilience (HydroSOS)”**.

In my capacity as designated authority for the Adaptation Fund in Brazil, I confirm that the above regional programme proposal is in accordance with the government's regional priorities in implementing adaptation activities to reduce adverse impacts of, and risks, posed by climate change in South America.

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the above programme proposal with support from the Adaptation Fund. If approved, the project will be implemented by World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and executed by the Brazilian National Water Agency (Agência Nacional de Águas – ANA).

Sincerely,

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Mrs. Ana Amélia Campos Toni
National Secretary for Climate Change
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change
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Carta de apoyo del gobierno de Chile

26 de junio de 2024

A: La Junta del Fondo de Adaptación
c/o Secretaría de la Junta del Fondo de Adaptación
Correo electrónico: afbsec@adaptation-fund.org
Fax: 202 522 3240/5

Asunto: Apoyo para el proyecto denominado: *Un sistema integrado para evaluar el estado y las perspectivas hidrológicas para ayudar a los sectores económicos claves y comunidades vulnerables de América del Sur a adaptarse al cambio climático y desarrollar resiliencia*

En mi calidad de autoridad designada para el Fondo de Adaptación en Chile, confirmo que la propuesta de proyecto regional anterior está en consonancia con las prioridades del gobierno de Chile en la implementación de actividades de adaptación para reducir los impactos adversos y los riesgos que plantea el cambio climático en los países de América del Sur.

En consecuencia, me complace apoyar la propuesta de proyecto anterior con el apoyo del Fondo de Adaptación. Si se aprueba, el proyecto será implementado por la Organización Meteorológica Mundial y ejecutado en nuestro país por la Dirección Meteorológica de Chile

Atentamente,

Maritza Jadrijevic Girardi
Jefa Departamento de Adaptación
División de Cambio climático
Ministerio del Medio Ambiente



Adaptation Fund Board

CC.Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat
Email: Secretariat@Adaptation-Fund.org
Bonn, Germany

Subject: Endorsement Letter - Project Integrated System to assess the hydrological status and prospects for assist economic sectors and vulnerable communities in South America.

In my capacity as designated authority for the Adaptation Fund in Colombia, I confirm that the above regional project proposal is in accordance with the government's national and regional priorities in implementing adaptation activities to reduce adverse impacts of, and risks, posed by climate change in Colombia.

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the above project proposal with support from the Adaptation Fund. If approved, the project will be implemented by World Meteorological Organization with National Institute of Hydrology, Meteorology and Environmental Studies (IDEAM), as a country technical partner.

Sincerely,



MARÍA TERESA BECERRA RAMÍREZ
Chief of International Cooperation Office

Proyectó: Paola Bernal-Contratista-OAI
Revisó: Daniela Almario-Contratista-OAI

Los arriba firmantes declaramos que hemos revisado el presente documento y lo encontramos ajustado a las normas y disposiciones legales y/o técnicas vigentes y, por lo tanto, bajo nuestra responsabilidad lo presentamos para la firma del Remitente



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Letter of Endorsement by Government

July 26, 2024

To: The Adaptation Fund Board
c/o Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat
Email: Secretariat@Adaptation-Fund.org
Fax: 202 522 3240/5

Subject: Endorsement for: *An integrated system to assess the state and hydrological prospects to help key economic sectors and vulnerable communities in South America adapt to climate change and develop resilience.*

In my capacity as designated authority for the Adaptation Fund in Ecuador, I confirm that the above regional project proposal is in accordance with the priorities of the national government and regional priorities, in the implementation of adaptation activities to reduce the adverse impacts and risks that he poses climate change in Ecuador and the Andean region.

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the above project proposal with support from the Adaptation Fund. If approved, the project will be implemented by World Meteorological Organization and executed by National Institute of Meteorology and Hydrology (INAMHI).

Sincerely,



Angel Sandoval
CLIMATE CHANGE UNDERSECRETARY
Ministry of the Environment, Water and Ecological Transition of Ecuador



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Viceministerio de
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"Año del Bicentenario, de la consolidación de nuestra independencia, y de la conmemoración de las heroicas batallas de Junín y Ayacucho"

Lima, August 7th, 2024

LETTER Nr. 00104-2024-MINAM/VMDERN/DGCCD

Messrs.

The Adaptation Fund Board

c/o Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat

Washington

United States

Email: Secretariat@adaptation-fund.org

Fax: 202 522 3240/5

Subject : Pre-concept note "An integrated system for evaluating hydrological status and outlooks to support key economic sectors and vulnerable communities in South America to adapt to climate change and build resilience".

The Ministry of the Environment of Peru is the governing body of the National Climate Change Strategy of Peru and the Designated Authority for the Adaptation Fund through the General Directorate of Climate Change and Desertification.

On this framework, we received the pre-concept note "An integrated system for evaluating hydrological status and outlooks to support key economic sectors and vulnerable communities in South America to adapt to climate change and build resilience". First, we would like to underline that the project will contribute improving the adaptation capacities of key socio-economic sectors, in particular vulnerable communities, to climate change through the provision of accessible, user oriented, gender responsive, and fit-for-purpose hydrometeorological information and services in Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador, Guyana, Paraguay, Peru, Surinam, Uruguay y Venezuela.

Finally, I am pleased to endorse the pre-concept note mentioned above with support from the Adaptation Fund. If approved, we will ensure that the project is aligned with our climate change adaptation targets and that is duly coordinated with the World Meteorological Organization (WMO).

Sincerely yours,

Berloska Quispe Estrada

Head of the General Directorate of Climate Change and Desertification

Ministry of the Environment

Designated Authority



MINISTRY OF SPATIAL PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT
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Paramaribo, 27 June 2024

To: The Adaptation Fund Board
c/o Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat
Email: afbsec@adaptation-fund.org
Fax: 202 522 3240/5

Subject: Endorsement for an integrated system for evaluating hydrological status and outlooks to support key economic sectors and vulnerable communities in South America adapt to climate change and build resilience.

In my capacity as the designated authority for the Adaptation Fund in Suriname, I confirm that the abovementioned regional project proposal is in accordance with the government's national priorities in implementing adaptation activities to reduce adverse impacts of, and risks, posed by climate change in the country.

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the above project proposal with support from the Adaptation Fund. If approved, the project will be implemented by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and executed by the Ministry of Public Works as the local executing entity.

Sincerely,

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Mrs. Ivette Pengel-Patterzon
Deputy Permanent Secretary Climate Change
Ministry of Spatial Planning and Environment
Republic of Suriname



Montevideo ,19 de Julio 2024

Carta de apoyo del gobierno
Gobierno de Uruguay, Ministerio de Ambiente

Para: Junta del Fondo de Adaptación
Cc: Secretaria de la Junta del Fondo de Adaptación
Correo electrónico: afbsec@adaptation-fund.org
Fax:202 522 3240/5

Asunto: Apoyo para la nota de pre-concepto del Proyecto Regional "Un sistema integrado para evaluar el estado y las perspectivas hidrológicas para ayudar a los sectores económicos claves y comunidades vulnerables de América del Sur a adaptarse al cambio climático y desarrollar resiliencia".

En mi calidad de autoridad nacional designada para el Fondo de Adaptación en Uruguay, confirmo que la nota de pre-concepto propuesta del proyecto regional anterior está en consonancia con las prioridades nacionales del gobierno en la implementación de actividades de adaptación para reducir los impactos adversos y los riesgos debido al cambio climático en América del Sur.

En consecuencia, me complace apoyar la referida nota de pre-concepto con el apoyo del Fondo de Adaptación. Si se aprueba, el proyecto será implementado por la Organización Meteorológica Mundial (OMM)

Atentamente,

Natalie Pareja
Directora Nacional de Cambio Climático
Ministerio de Ambiente
Autoridad Nacional Designada para el Fondo de Adaptación
Uruguay

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03 de julio de 2024.

A: La Junta del Fondo de Adaptación
c/o Secretaría de la Junta del Fondo de Adaptación
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Asunto: Apoyo para el proyecto denominado: Un sistema integrado para evaluar el estado y las perspectivas hidrológicas para ayudar a los sectores económicos claves y comunidades vulnerables de América del Sur a adaptarse al cambio climático y desarrollar resiliencia.

En mi calidad de autoridad designada para el Fondo de Adaptación en la República Bolivariana de Venezuela, confirmo que la propuesta de proyecto regional anterior está en consonancia con las prioridades del gobierno nacional en la implementación de actividades de adaptación para reducir los impactos adversos y los riesgos que plantea el cambio climático en América del Sur.

En consecuencia, me complace apoyar la propuesta de proyecto anterior con el apoyo del Fondo de Adaptación. Si se aprueba, el proyecto será implementado por la Organización Meteorológica Mundial y ejecutado por el Instituto Nacional de Meteorología e Hidrología (INAMEH).

Atentamente,


Miguel Alberto Serrano Orita

Director General

Oficina de Integración y Asuntos Internacionales
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Revised PFG Submission Form¹ (additions in red)

Project Formulation Grant (PFG)

Submission Date: 29 November 2024

Adaptation Fund Project ID:

Country/ies: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador, Peru, Surinam, Uruguay, Venezuela

Title of Project/Programme: *An integrated system for evaluating hydrological status and outlooks² to support key economic sectors and vulnerable communities in South America, to adapt to climate change and build resilience.*

Type of IE (NIE/RIE/MIE): MIE

Implementing Entity: World Meteorological Organization

Executing Entity/ies:

- **Argentina:** To be determined in next stage
- **Bolivia:** Servicio Nacional de Meteorología e Hidrología de Bolivia
- **Brazil:** Agência Nacional de Aguas (ANA)
- **Chile:** Dirección Meteorológica de Chile
- **Colombia:** Instituto Nacional de Hidrología, Meteorología y Estudios Ambientales de Colombia
- **Ecuador:** Instituto Nacional de Meteorología e Hidrología de Ecuador
- **Perú:** To be determined in next stage
- **Suriname:** Ministry of Public Works
- **Uruguay:** To be determined in next stage
- **Venezuela:** Instituto Nacional de Meteorología e Hidrología
- **ACTO:** Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization
- **CIC:** Intergovernmental Coordination Committee of the La Plata Basin Countries
- **PROHMSAT Regional Center³**

A. Project Preparation Timeframe

Start date of PFG	06/01/25
Completion date of PFG	07/31/25

B. Proposed Project Preparation Activities (\$)

List of Proposed Project Preparation Activities	Output of the PFG Activities	US\$ Amount	Budget note⁴
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¹ As presented in AFB/PPRC.33/40 Annex 1.

² HydroSOS, <https://wmo.int/es/node/21458>

³ Regional Center hosted by National Water Institute (INA) and National Meteorological Service (SMN) of Argentina under the Hydrometeorological Forecasting and Early Warning System for La Plata Basin Project

⁴ The proposal should include a detailed budget with budget notes indicating the break-down of costs at the activity level. It should also include a budget on the Implementing Entity management fee use.

Preparatory virtual meetings in preparation for the face-to-face workshop. of the WMO Working Group – Hydrology and Water Resources (WG-HWR) and key stakeholders.	-Participants to the face-to-face workshop identified. -Specific activities to be included in the project to achieve the outputs and potential demonstration cases per country identified	0 (none)	These activities will be carried out as part of WMO regular activities but with emphasis on project preparation during Dec 2024 and the first months of 2025.
Face-to-face workshop, with the participants identified during the preparation stage	-Activities, milestones, and indicators per output -Roles and responsibilities of each stakeholder in the project -Project resources allocation	40,000	Travel and DSA for approximately 20 participants, meeting expenditures.
Consultant to support concept note development	Concept note with the face-to-face output incorporated and including environmental and social risk management plan, M&E.	10,000	Self-service agreement (SSA) for a consultant/s.
Total Project Formulation Grant		50,000 (*)	

(*) It includes the 7% WMO Project Support Cost

Please describe below each of the PFG activities and provide justifications for their need and for funding required:

1. To maximize the benefit of the face-to-face workshop, we will conduct a series of virtual preparatory meetings with key stakeholders from December 2024 and during the first months of 2025. These meetings will help identify key participants for the face-to-face meeting and request specific information on human and technological resources, level of engagement with other institutional actors, potential beneficiary sectors, synergies, and complementarity of this project proposal with ongoing projects and consistency with national and subnational development strategies. The resulting information will also be input to the face-to-face workshop.
2. Face-to-face workshop of the WG-HWR and key stakeholders

A project to implement HydroSOS in Regional Association III has been developed by the WMO WG-HWR. The project preparation initiated during a face-to-face meeting in Bogota, Colombia in

December 2022 and continued in a second face-to-face meeting in Asunción, Paraguay in December 2023. Participants from 10 out of the 12 countries participated and contributed to the project development. It was then that the Adaptation Fund was identified as a potential source of funding. The first two meetings, focused on technical aspects that are part of component 1 of the project. During this proposed workshop to be funded by the AF Grant, more information and details will be gathered, to develop components 2 and 3 of the project.

Country specific information will be gathered to advance with the design of demonstration cases, training needs, tools, etc. Due to the limited resources available for 11 countries, a consensus will be sought among countries in the prioritization of activities at local, national, and regional levels.

3. Consultant/s will be hired to assist in the preparation of the concept note, incorporating the output of the face-to-face workshop, and focusing on environmental, social and gender policies of the Adaptation Fund, as well as the alignment of project components to the countries' NDCs.

For LLA Projects only:

If requesting additional funding for LLA projects to enable devolving decision making to the local level, please specify the activities that would directly serve to enable devolving decision making to the lowest appropriate level and enable local actors to make informed decisions on how adaptation actions are defined, prioritized, designed, and implemented:

Please provide justifications for their need and for the amount of additional funding required:

C. Implementing Entity

This request has been prepared in accordance with the Adaptation Fund Board's procedures and meets the Adaptation Fund's criteria for project identification and formulation.

Implementing Entity Coordinator, IE Name	Signature	Date (Month, day, year)	Project Contact Person	Telephone	Email Address
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