



EnABLE

ENHANCING ACCESS TO BENEFITS WHILE LOWERING EMISSIONS

The overall development goal of the EnABLE multi-donor trust fund is to promote and strengthen social inclusion in results-based climate finance (RBCF) programs. Its specific purpose is to enhance the inclusion of Indigenous Peoples (IPs), Local Communities (LCs), and other disadvantaged and marginalized groups, such as women, youth, and people with disabilities (*hereinafter referred to as target beneficiaries*) in emission reductions programs (ERPs) under the Climate Emissions Reduction Facility (CERF) and its associated trust funds in order to maximize their carbon and non-carbon benefits. Set up in December 2020 with a €20 million grant from Germany, EnABLE seeks to mobilize US\$200 million for commitment and disbursement during 2021-30.

EnABLE'S PRIORITY AREAS



OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENGAGEMENT

Identifying and strengthening opportunities for engagement of target beneficiaries by supporting their collaboration and partnerships with other key stakeholders and ensuring that they lead and benefit from RBCF through appropriately designed pilot activities, which can be easily replicated and upscaled.



ENHANCED ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

Enhancing the enabling environment for carbon and non-carbon benefits of target beneficiaries through supporting a favorable policy and legal framework, strengthening capacities, skills, and voice of target beneficiaries and of their organizations to engage in RBCF programs and benefit from them.



KNOWLEDGE GENERATION AND TRANSFER

Integrating social inclusion and gender equity in the design and implementation of RBCF programs through knowledge transfer and the sharing of best practices.

WHY EnABLE?

Given the upcoming closure of the FCPF in December 2022 and the ongoing roll-out of up to 15 country ERPs, substantial, longer-term financial resources are needed to ensure that these ERPs are socially inclusive. This is particularly important for target beneficiaries of ERPs, who are historically disadvantaged and marginalized, and reside in remote locations where access to communications, education, information, and other services may be limited.

Social inclusion is central to REDD+ activities and especially to ensuing performance-based carbon finance programs. Since 2008, FCPF support has enhanced the effectiveness, inclusiveness, and sustainability of REDD+ activities, as well as the quality of their design and implementation. Initial experience with ERP operations suggests that their efficacy and impact will likewise depend significantly on serious engagement by target beneficiaries.

Enhanced social inclusion increases the equity and impact of results-based climate finance programs, reducing the risk of capture by vested interests. A growing body of literature documents the negative impact of benefits captured by powerful and relatively wealthy stakeholders, with women often especially disadvantaged. Conversely, enhanced locally designed social inclusion programs help ensure that climate finance, and ERPs in particular, benefit target beneficiaries directly. Such programs also ensure the community buy-in necessary for their success and longer-term sustainability.

Given the large increase in climate finance flows expected during the 2020s, the need for enhanced social inclusion programs is also likely to grow significantly. At the same time, they must be brought closer to beneficiaries and communities, while enhancing synergies between them. There is also a need to explore innovative delivery systems involving local actors, either in climate adaptation and mitigation investments or to help them participate meaningfully in investment decisions.

EnABLE will provide a robust knowledge agenda, act as an information clearinghouse, exploit synergies in countries where multiple funds are active, and ensure that social inclusion is a central concern, not an afterthought. EnABLE-financed activities will align with the World Bank's Social Sustainability and Inclusion Strategy (SSI), and Climate Change Action Plan 2021–2025, which include a focus on engaging marginalized groups in climate decision-making and locally-led initiatives. Coordination with ongoing FCPF capacity building activities through end-2022 will ensure that EnABLE leverages FCPF's remaining resources and builds on its experience and lessons learned.

EnABLE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

EnABLE is administered by the World Bank's Climate Funds Management Unit (SCCFM), which is also responsible for monitoring and evaluation, corporate communications, and implementing inter-regional and global activities together with other World Bank units.

EnABLE, part of the CERF umbrella governance structure, is managed by a Steering Committee comprising representatives of contributing donor or partner and SCCFM. As EnABLE's governing body, the Steering Committee provides strategic guidance and oversight, approves EnABLE's Results Framework, work plan and budget, and reviews periodic progress and completion reports.

An Advisory Panel comprising IP, LC, and CSO representatives advises the Steering Committee. Its membership ensures regionally balanced representation by different interest groups. Advisory Panel members, selected competitively, are expected to support EnABLE consultations with their constituencies in the various regions and provide technical advice and guidance on EnABLE policies and procedures. Subject to the agreement of all parties, they may be invited to participate in Steering Committee meetings as observers either on a rotating basis or based on the geographical or thematic focus of the agenda.



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