



# Project Information Document/ Identification/Concept Stage (PID)

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**BASIC INFORMATION**

**A. Basic Project Data**

Project ID	Parent Project ID (if any)	Environmental and Social Risk Classification	Project Name
P169051		Low	Africa Climate Resilient Inv. Facility
Region	Country	Date PID Prepared	Estimated Date of Approval
AFRICA	Africa	15-Jan-2019	
Financing Instrument	Borrower(s)	Implementing Agency	
Investment Project Financing	United Nations Economic Commission for Africa	United Nations Economic Commission for Africa	

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**PROJECT FINANCING DATA (US\$, Millions)**

**SUMMARY**

<b>Total Project Cost</b>	0.80
<b>Total Financing</b>	0.80
<b>Financing Gap</b>	0.00

**DETAILS**

**Non-World Bank Group Financing**

Trust Funds	0.80
Africa Climate Change Program	0.80

**B. Introduction and Context**

Country Context

The integration of climate risks in the planning of climate-sensitive investments requires a change in mind-set away from entrenched and siloed behaviour and practices to an integrated framework approach that brings together climate information, climate impact assessment and decision-making. Such a shift requires the mobilisation of robust approaches that help to assess and understand climate risks across the countries in the region. This rigor must be supported by dedicated institutions to better inform policy and development planning, and enhancement of capacity of African institutions across the continent.



Building on various other similar initiatives that recognize the need to improve climate science and services, the proposed project is intended to further spur progress by explicitly linking the three key actors that have a stake in integrating climate considerations into the development process: project developers, project financiers and the climate science community. Efforts to date have generally been limited, as they only addressed one or two links in the chain, often with a focus on a limited number of development sectors/themes.

#### Sectoral and Institutional Context

AFRI-RES is conceived as a partnership between the World Bank, the UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA), and the African Union Commission (AUC) in response to a request by AUC and UNECA for support in developing Africa's capacity to systematically integrate climate change considerations into the planning and design of long-lived investments.

The implementing agency serves Regional Economic Communities, governments and communities across Africa. It is actively working with stakeholders and partners to address Africa's climate challenges and engage high level policy makers, particularly ministers of finance and economic planning, the African Group of Negotiators on climate change, the Board of the Green Climate Fund and various other high-level constituencies. This will enable them to provide high quality and relevant climate-related knowledge products, tailored to the needs of the end-users.

#### Relationship to CPF

The project is aligned with WB regional integration objectives and overall strategic context of CPFs. It will enhance the capacity of teams and support mainstreaming of climate risk management into future investments across the region.

### **C. Project Development Objective(s)**

#### Proposed Development Objective(s)

The Project Development Objective is to enable an Africa-based centre of technical competence and excellence to raise awareness and build the capacity of governments actors, planners and private developers in Africa to integrate climate change in project planning and design, with a view to enhance opportunities for attracting funding from both development and climate finance sources.

#### Key Results

Key results will include:

- Training/outreach/dissemination on tools and methods for climate-resilient investment, good practices, and lessons learned



- Open access climate knowledge portal

**D. Preliminary Description**

Activities/Components

This project includes the following two components:

- Component 1: Outreach, dissemination and training activities
- Component 2: Climate knowledge and data portal

Complementary to these and as part of the broader initiative, the World Bank will lead the following activities under a separate Bank-Executed Trust Fund:

- (a) Project-level technical assistance
- (b) Good practice notes and guidance to embed climate-resilience into projects
- (c) Overall Coordination, management and quality assurance

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**Environmental and Social Standards Relevance**

**E. Relevant Standards**

ESS Standards		Relevance
ESS 1	Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts	Relevant
ESS 10	Stakeholder Engagement and Information Disclosure	Relevant
ESS 2	Labor and Working Conditions	Relevant
ESS 3	Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention and Management	Not Currently Relevant
ESS 4	Community Health and Safety	Not Currently Relevant
ESS 5	Land Acquisition, Restrictions on Land Use and Involuntary Resettlement	Not Currently Relevant
ESS 6	Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Management of Living Natural Resources	Not Currently Relevant
ESS 7	Indigenous Peoples/Sub-Saharan African Historically Underserved Traditional Local Communities	Not Currently Relevant
ESS 8	Cultural Heritage	Not Currently Relevant
ESS 9	Financial Intermediaries	Not Currently Relevant

### Legal Operational Policies

Safeguard Policies	Triggered	Explanation (Optional)
Projects on International Waterways OP 7.50	No	
Projects in Disputed Areas OP 7.60	No	

#### Summary of Screening of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts

As noted above, the proposed project focuses on strengthening the capacity of African institutions and private sector to plan, design, and implement investments in selected sectors to increase their resilience to climate change. The results of the project include among other things workshops, seminars, technical papers/reports and other communication material in Component I as well as support for an Open Access Climate Data Portal under Component 2. Hence, the project's potential attributable adverse risks and impacts on human populations and/or the environment are likely to be low. Thus, at this point of the project, only ESS1, ESS2, and ESS10 are considered relevant. In case later in the project lifecycle the scope of work would change, a renewed screening would be necessary; therefore ESS1 is considered relevant throughout the project lifecycle on a low level.

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