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Webinar I - Call for Projects 2023

Mitigation Action Facility

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Welcome to this Webinar

- Thank you for your interest in the New Call for Projects in 2023 of the Mitigation Action Facility!
- **Goals for today:**



Provide an overview of the Mitigation Action Facility



Introduce priority sectors of the Mitigation Action Facility



Elaborate on the Call for Projects 2023 – Call Process and Timeline



Introduce the Project Concept Phase



Answer your questions and point to useful resources

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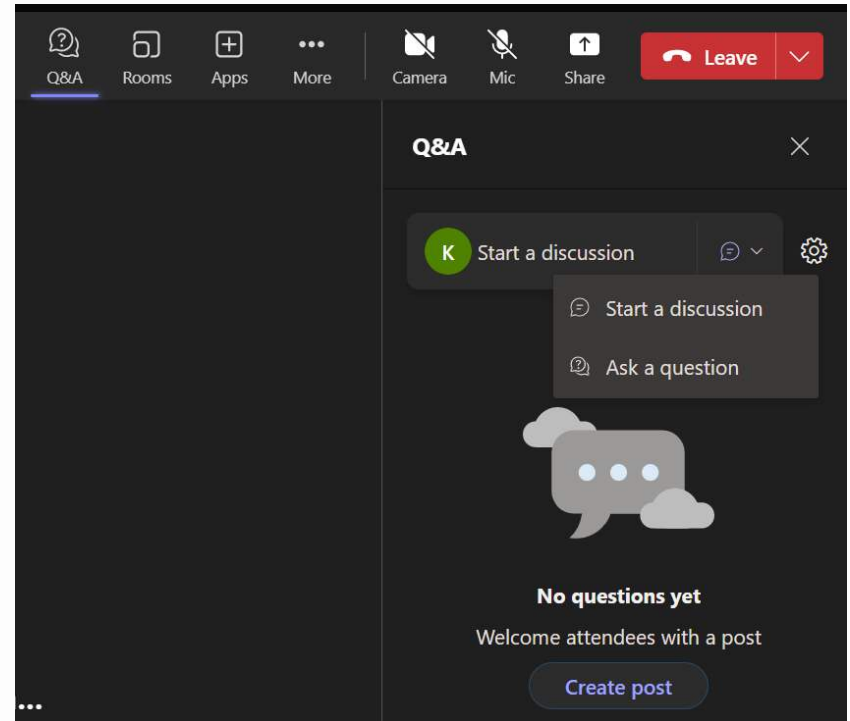
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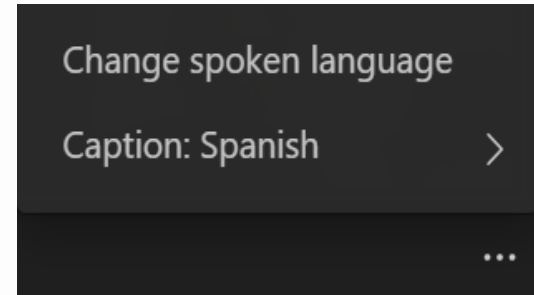
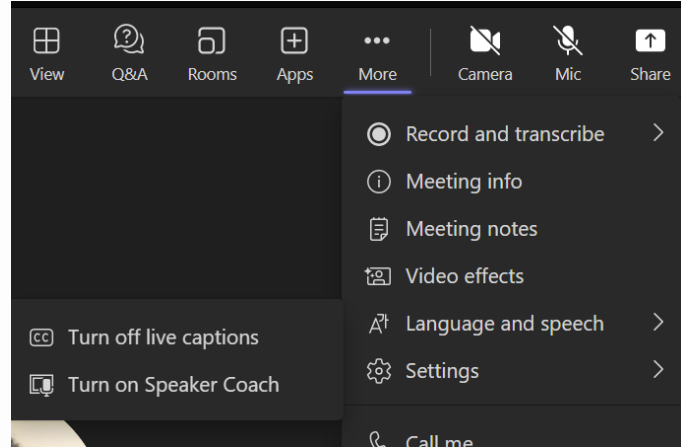
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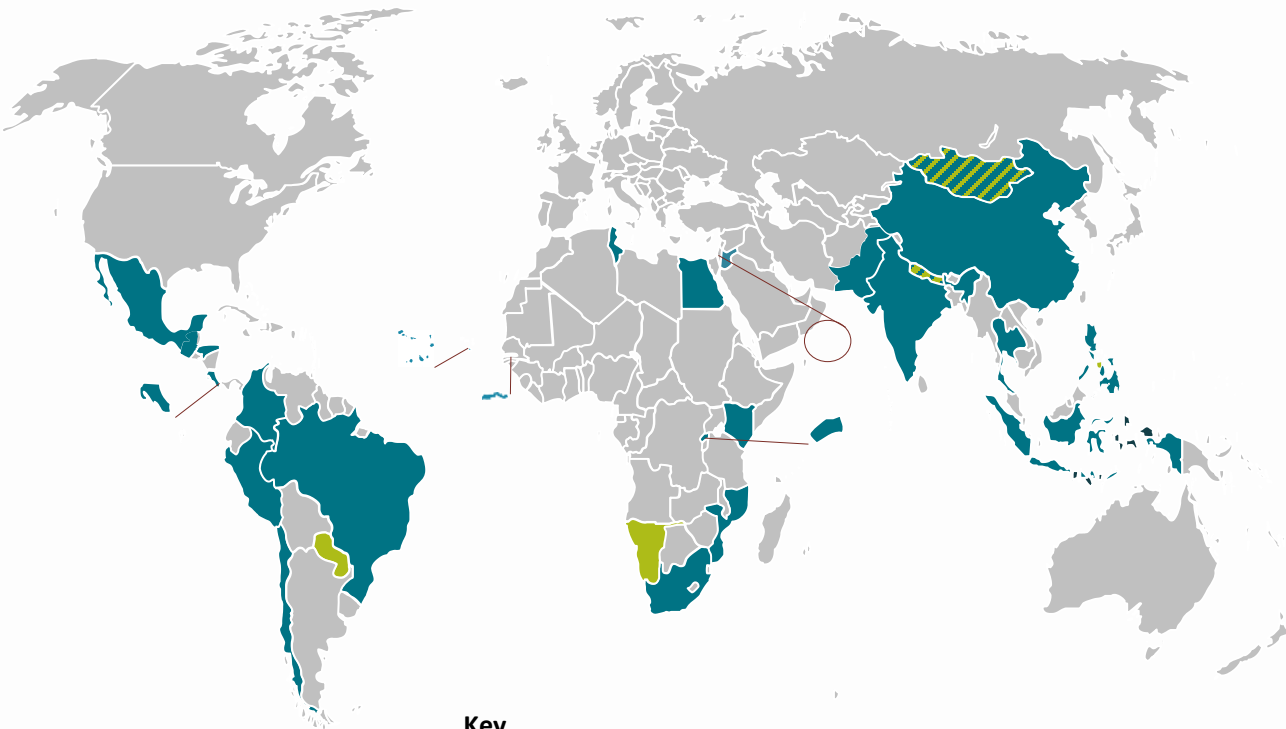
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Who We Are



Key

- Countries with active projects
- Countries with projects approved for funding in 2022
- Countries with active and newly approved projects in 2022

Multi-Donor fund by

-  Germany
-  UK
-  Denmark
-  EU
-  Children's Investment Fund Foundation (CIFF)

Created in: **2012**

Rebranded in: **2023**

Total funding volume: **EUR 668m**

Calls for Projects: **10 Calls** (incl. Call for Projects 2023)

Current portfolio: **47 projects**

- **33 countries**
- Across sectors: **transport, energy, industry, cross-sectoral**



How the Facility works



Annual Calls for Projects for implementation in ODA-eligible countries focused on the 3 priority sectors providing:

Competition based project selection

- Country-driven projects
- Diversity of delivery partners
- Increased quality and innovation



Technical Assistance to enhance policies & enabling environment

Technical Assistance

- Developing capacity in countries
- Policy support
- Enabling environment
- Transformative impact



Financial mechanism to support the significant mobilization of climate finance

Financial Mechanism

- Unlock public & private investment
- Scaling and replicating solutions in countries
- Sustainability beyond project



Why apply for funding?

No debt burden

100% of funding is grant-based

Open to all

Open to all ODA-eligible countries & no accreditation requirement for Applicants

National ownership

Projects are country-driven & linked to NDCs, national development strategies & plans

Project support

Extensive advice at all phases of project cycle including provision of funding support for detailed proposal development

Technical assistance & financial support

Up to EUR 25 m available per project for technical assistance and financial cooperation to support ambitious mitigation projects

Flexibility

Meeting needs of individual projects, acknowledging dynamic country/sector contexts & socio-political & economic uncertainties

Networking potential

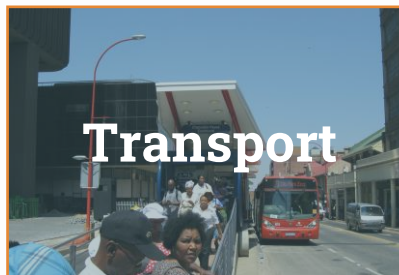
Frequent exchanges on cross-cutting topics (e.g. financial mechanisms, monitoring, gender) between projects



- Energy, transport and industry contribute 67% of annual global emissions.
- Global emissions must be halved by 2030 to tackle the climate emergency.
- Cross-sectoral projects linked to priority sectors are also supported.



Renewable energy supply, integration and storage, energy efficiency



Land transport, shipping, aviation, e-mobility, charging



Heavy and light industry, production processes, product use

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Continuity

- Continued focus on the implementation of Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), as well as emphasis on long-term strategies (LTS), the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) processes and global cooperation (NDC Partnership)
- Provision of a grant-based funding for projects that combine technical assistance and financial cooperation targeting market-based, sustainable and scalable financial mechanisms
- Overall funding volume of the Call of up to EUR 100 million as well as an upper funding volume of EUR 25 million per project
- Piloting modality for novel technologies
- Public and private actors invited to submit Project Concepts

New

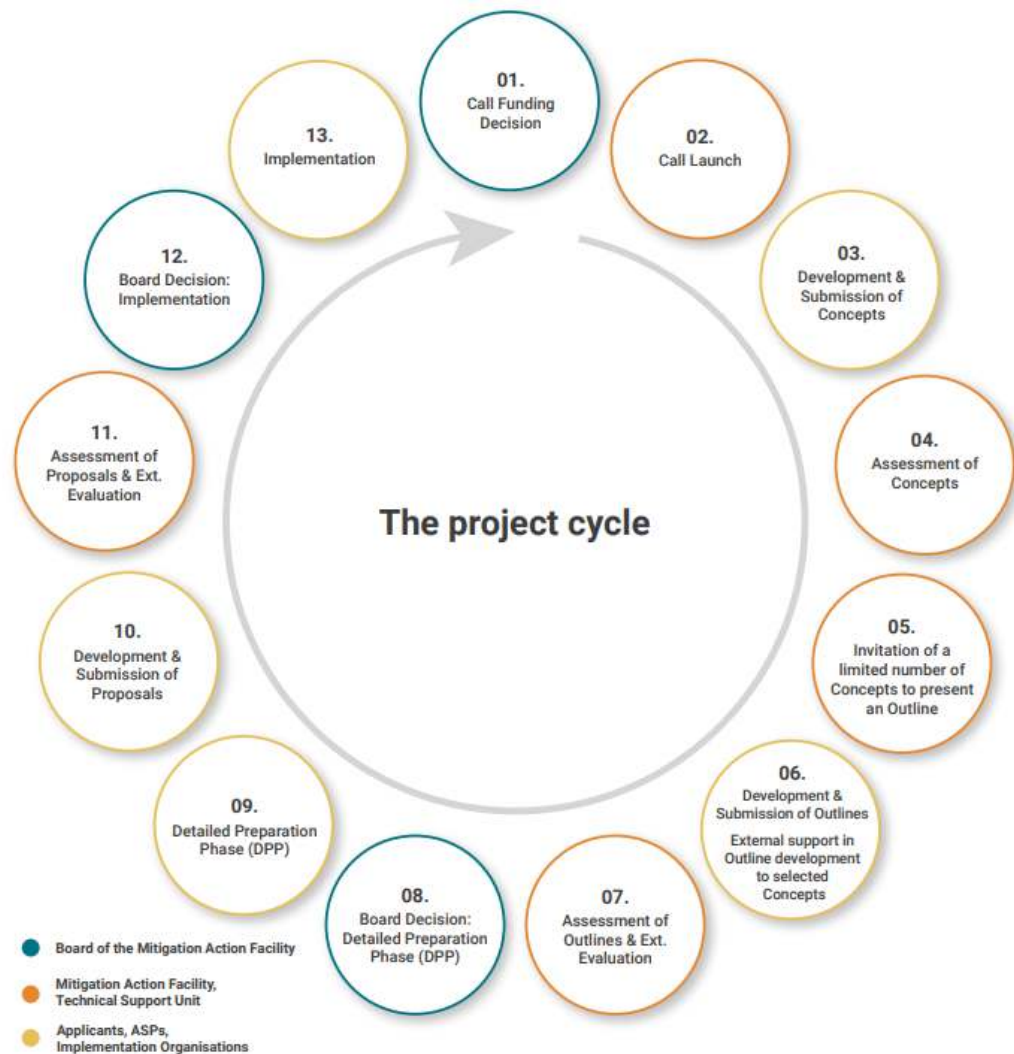
- Three priority sectors – energy, transport, industry – and support to cross-sectoral projects linked to one of the priority sectors
- Ambitious enhanced Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) as an assessment criterion
- A simplified application process featuring a competition of Project Concepts, preceding the submission of Project Outlines
- For the presentation of Project Concepts, a standardised web-based questionnaire (an Open Application Platform, OAP) is used
- An upper limit of up to 25 Project Concepts selected to proceed into the Project Outline Phase in which further, more detailed, elaboration of the project needs to take place
- Tailored support in the Outline development provided to a limited number of promising Project Concepts



Project Concept Phase will be followed by an Outline Phase, Proposal Phase, and Implementation Phase.

Detailed information on **eligibility and ambition criteria** for the Project Concept Phase can be found in the [General Information Document](#)

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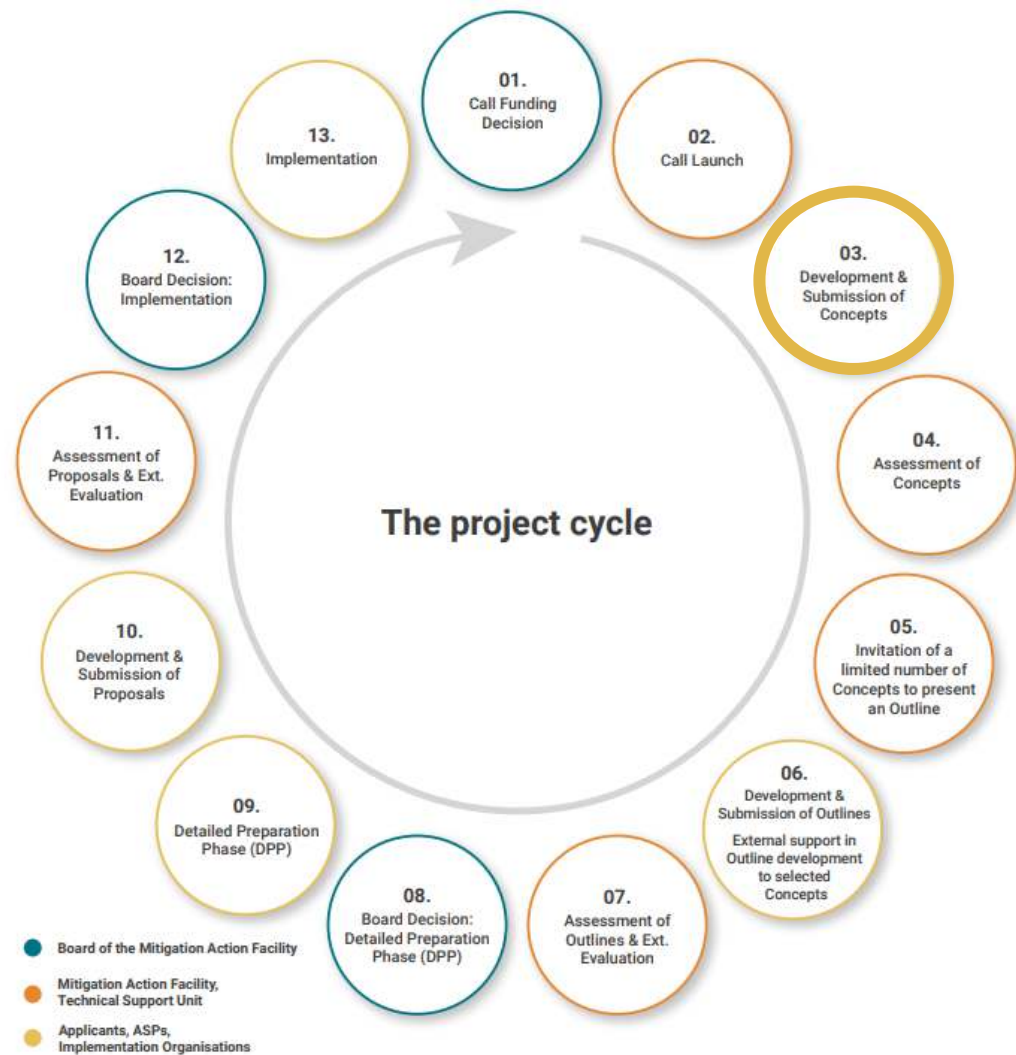




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Key project characteristics

Funding qualifies as ODA finance

Implemented in one of the priority sectors or propose a cross-sectoral approach

Embedded in national development strategies and plans

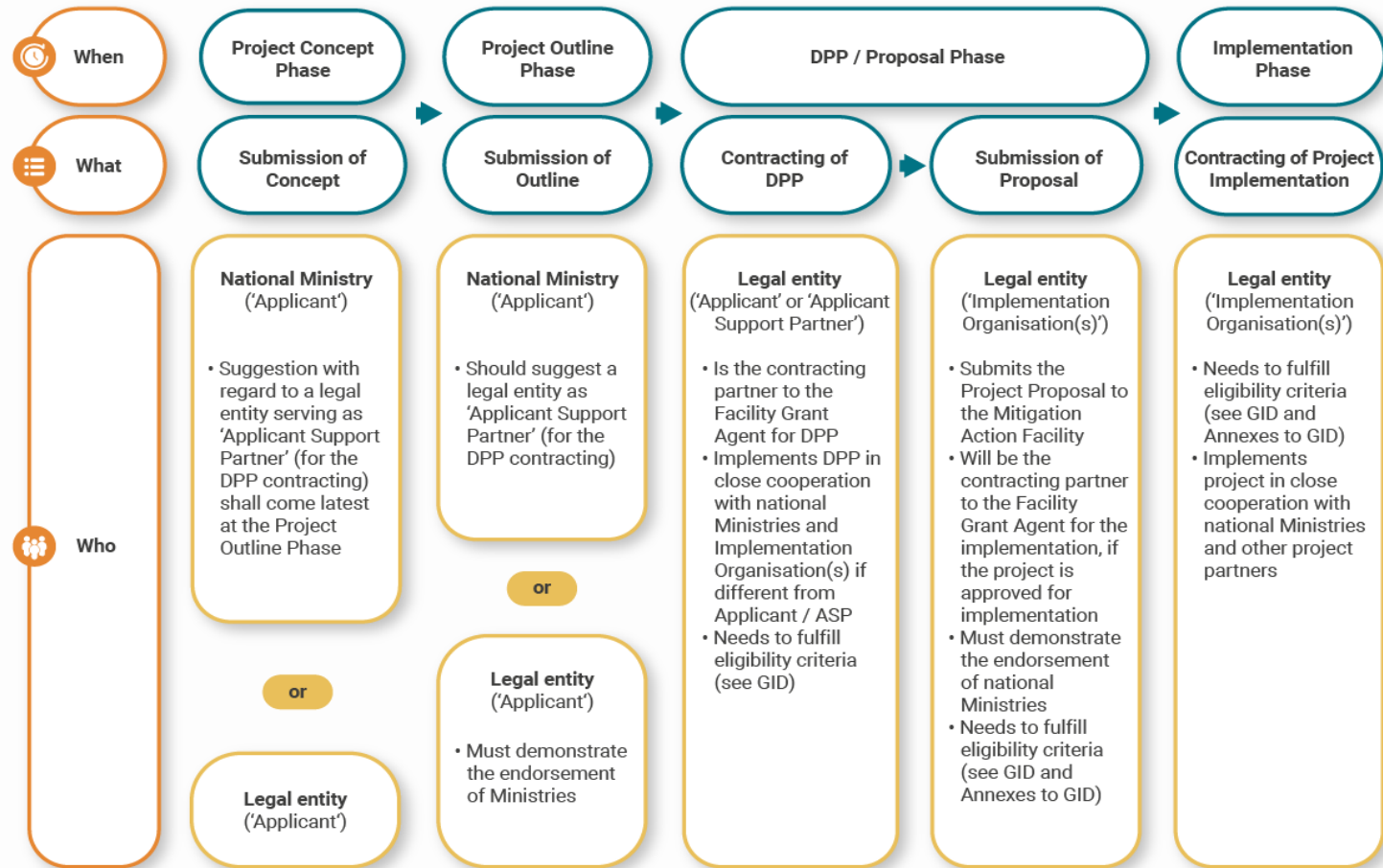
Combine TA (policies, regulations, capacity development) and FC (financial mechanism)

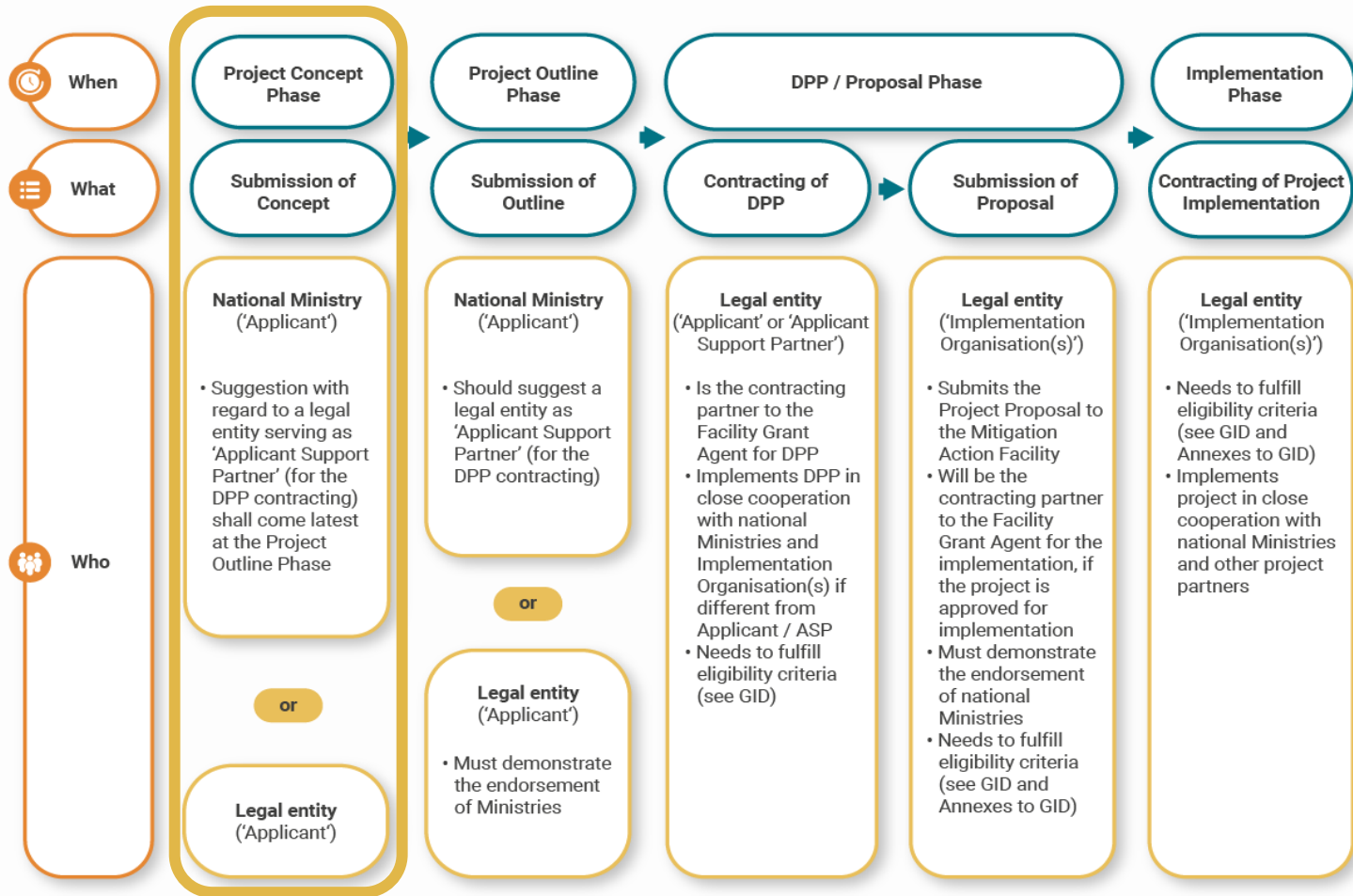
Aligned with NDC Partnership Plans and activities

Leverage additional public and private investments

Are implementation ready

Offer intersectional understanding of gender and social inclusion







- Legal entities that could act as Applicants, Applicant Support Partners (ASPs) and Implementation Organisations include national and international institutions and organisations, incl. commercial entities
- They need to comply with certain capacity and eligibility requirements (see box for references)
- The **public benefit purpose** is mandatory for each project, i.e.
 - 1) An individual economic advantage, commercial benefit or profit cannot be generated with the use of the Mitigation Action Facility funds
 - 2) Only **reasonable costs** directly related to the project plus **reasonable overheads** can be covered by the Mitigation Action Facility funds

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Project Concept Phase - purpose

- Simplification of the application process
- More accessibility in terms of eligibility requirements for the Applicants at the Project Concept Phase and a possibility to address eligibility-related shortcomings during the Outline Phase upon selection
- Participation of a wider range of potential Applicants and partners
- Wider range of ideas to drive ambitious climate action





- Timely submission at **3 pm CEST on 31 July 2023**
- Focus on one of the three priority sectors – **energy, industry** or **transport**; or a **cross-sectoral project** linked to one of the priority sectors
- Completeness of information (all mandatory fields in OAP are filled out)
- Information provided in English
- **ODA-eligibility** of the country according to the OECD DAC-list
- Funding volume requested from the Mitigation Action Facility for project implementation: **EUR 5-25 million** excluding DPP funding
- Envisaged **implementation duration of 3 - 5 ½ years**



Mitigation potential

Realistic, clear and well-substantiated calculations for direct and indirect emission reductions

Financial mechanism

Well-defined institutional set-up, clear rationale for the proposed mechanism, coherent phase-out concept

Technical and economic viability

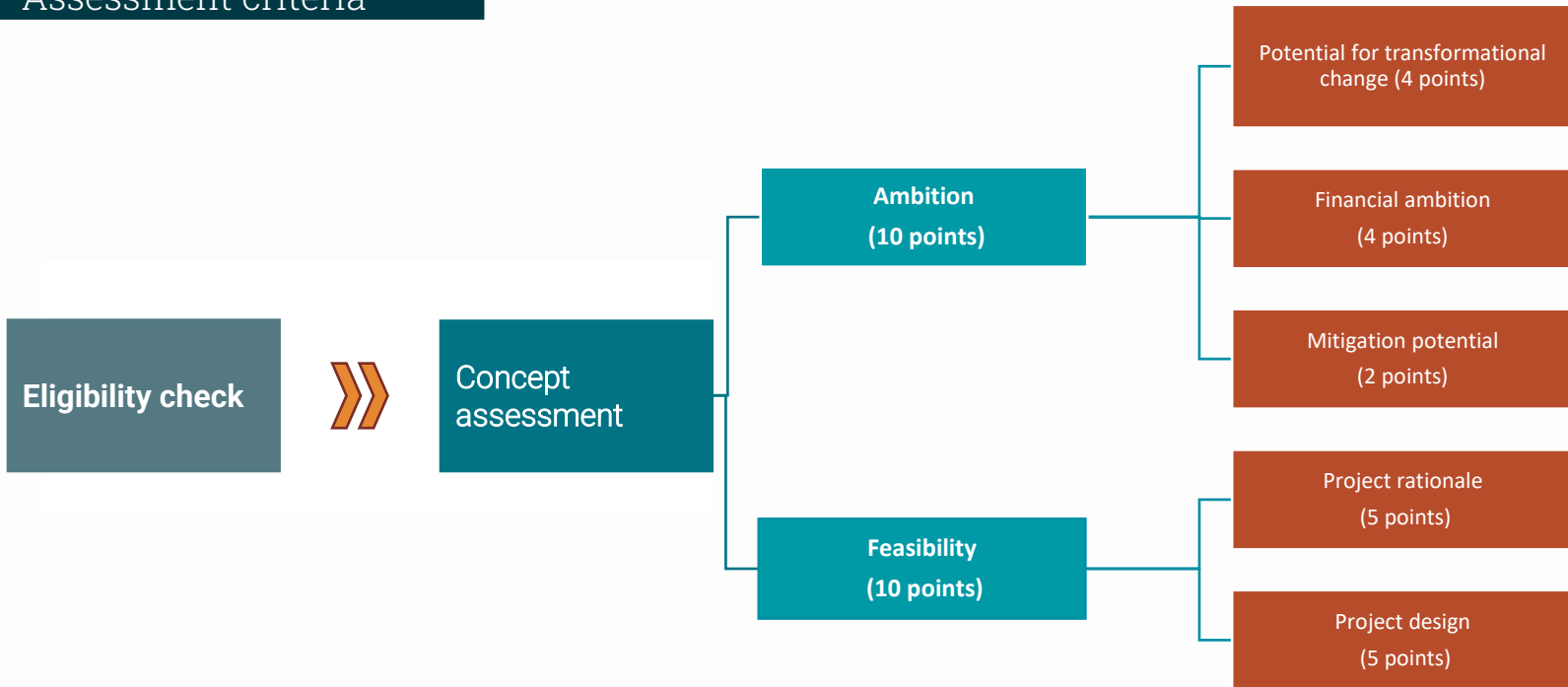
Inclusion of the technological rationale, appropriate business model

Barrier analysis

Proper analysis of the targeted sector- or country-context as well as that of the project



Project Concept – Assessment criteria





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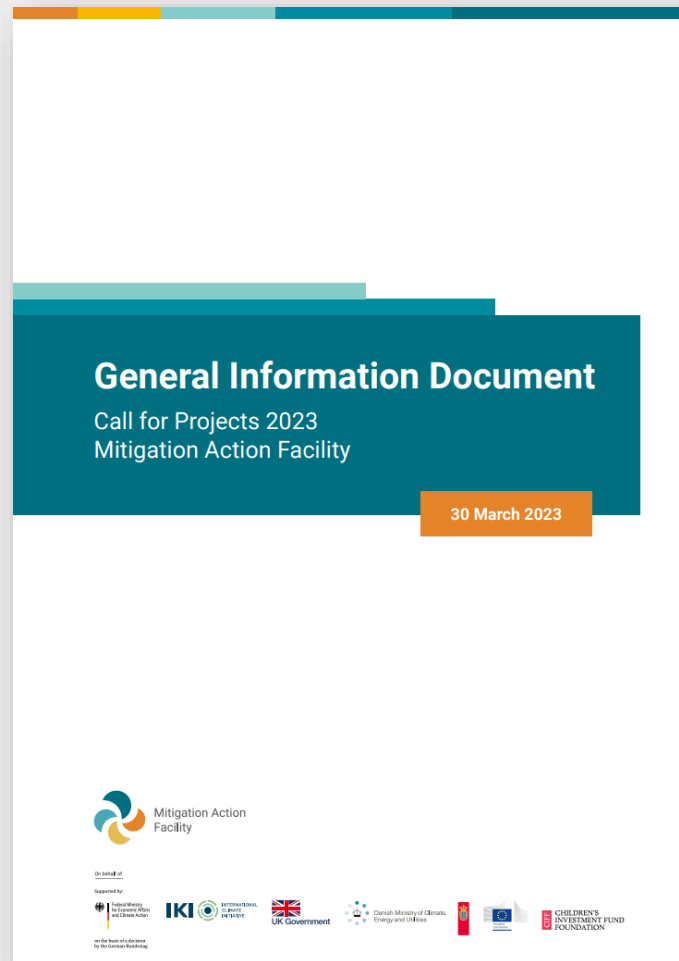
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Available in:

- [English](#)

Coming soon:

- *Spanish*
- *French*





[Webpage of the Call for Projects 2023](#)



[Factsheet on Financial Mechanisms under the Mitigation Action Facility](#)



[Factsheet on Transformational Change](#)



[Contract Templates for Detailed Preparation Phase \(DPP\)](#)



[Paper „Driving Sectoral Decarbonisation“](#)



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A: No, this is not possible. In line with the Mitigation Action Facility's policies, the TSU does not provide any individual advice on Project Concepts to ensure a transparent and fair competition among all Applicants.

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A: The Mitigation Action Facility's focus is on supporting the implementation of ambitious mitigation actions. We are looking for projects that have the potential to trigger a transformational change towards carbon-neutral development pathways. While adaptation activities might be included to achieve the overall project outcome, the focus of the project should be on mitigation activities.

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A: Yes, the Project Concept Phase is mandatory. If you have a Project Outline ready, you will still need to submit a Project Concept via OAP and wait for the assessment and selection results.

If the Project Concept is selected to proceed into the Project Outline Phase, you will be invited to submit a Project Outline including the required Annexes.

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A: There is a substantial number of novel technologies that could be piloted as part of a project. Some illustrative examples are grid-scale battery storage, low emission steel and cement, hydrogen production and application, or ocean renewable energy.

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A: Yes, this is possible. Each Project Concept is assessed on its own merits based on the same selection criteria, regardless of whether it comes from the same or different countries.



- **Upcoming webinars:**
17 May 2023: “Technical guide-through the submission of Project Concepts via an Open Application Platform (OAP)”
- Mitigation Action Facility website: **dedicated page for the Call for Projects 2023**
- Contact the Technical Support Unit at **contact@mitigation-action.org**

Please remember that the deadline for submitting Project Concept under the Call for Projects 2023 is 31 July 2023, 3pm (CEST)



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