

Program: Carbon Finance Assist (CF-Assist) in AFR Region

Objective: to facilitate capacity building services to clients to i) promote the use of carbon finance for climate smart development; ii) help understand the evolving new global regulatory framework following Copenhagen; and, iii) assist in scaling up the use of programmatic approach to carbon finance instruments in the context of sustainable development.

	Objective	Description	target countries	timeframe
(A) Development of Learning Programs (LP):				
Biomass Energy & Carbon Finance CB program	Assist in scaling up the use of carbon finance to household energy projects	Development of learning tools on how to use carbon finance to scale-up clean and efficient cook stoves in collaboration with USEPA and ESMAP	Sub-Saharan African countries	FY10
Agriculture & Carbon Finance CB program	Assist in scaling up the use of carbon finance to projects in agriculture sector	Support development of CDM methodologies for quantifying of project-level GHG mitigation benefits in agriculture practices, which will provide support to CDM practitioners. A consultation with stakeholders from Afr region will be held during AFR Carbon Forum	Sub-Saharan African countries	FY10-11
Learning Program on Reducing Emissions from Deforestation & Forest Degradation (REDD) – economic opportunity cost of REDD		Development of a learning program on 'Estimation of Opportunity Costs for REDD', based on methodology being developed for Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) REDD countries.		
Low Carbon Development Country Studies (LCCS) learning program	Facilitate effective and broad sharing of knowledge, and models/tools aimed at increasing country capacity (MICs/LDCs) to undertake strategic assessments on Low Carbon Development.	Development and dissemination of Learning program on low carbon growth in collaboration with ESMAP	study developed for South Africa	FY10-11
Learning Program on 'Carbon Finance for Urban Areas'	promote carbon finance development in priority sectors (such as energy)	Customization, piloting and delivery of distance learning courses on CDM & JI, with particular focus on programmatic approach, (for selected audiences, with external partners)	Deliveries for African countries	FY10-11
(B) Knowledge Sharing Platforms:				
Carbon Expo 2010 – Global Carbon Market Fair & Conference	Regional platforms for knowledge sharing, business development and networking, allowing a large number of regional project developers and other stakeholders interface with global carbon market stakeholders.	Organization of Global multi-stakeholder forum / fair where several African countries will be invited to participate and take part in the exhibition space	Sub-Saharan African countries	FY10-11
Africa Carbon Forum 2010		Co-organization of the Africa Carbon Forum 2010 in partnership with Nairobi Framework partners. The Forum will take place in March, in Nairobi.	African countries	FY10
Regional CDM POA Workshops	assist in scaling up the use of programmatic approach to Carbon Finance instruments	Regional workshops on CDM programmatic approaches; customized for specific target groups. A workshop will be organized for Northern African countries in partnership with CDC, AfDB, GTZ, KFW and AFD/CEFE	North African countries	FY10
(C) Customized technical assistance programs				
Capacity building country programs	customized capacity building country programs that assist in promoting and scaling up the use of CF development in priority sectors	Implementation of CDM/JI capacity building programs in select countries	Tanzania, Cote d'Ivoire, Botswana, Burkina Faso	FY10
Carbon Finance Capacity Building (CFCB) program	Assist in scaling up the use of programmatic approach to Carbon Finance instruments through Training & institutional strengthening with select cities	Providing capacity building training on programmatic use of carbon finance for smart city growth to selected cities	First pilot city is Dar Es Salaam in Tanzania.	FY10
(D) Partnership Development				
Strengthen Regional Institutions and development of regional hubs for Carbon Finance CB	Strengthen Regional Institutions	Identifying a regional center and enhancing its capacities for networking, program development and delivery so that it can act as regional hub to scale up carbon finance capacity development activities.	1-2 African institutions	FY10-11