

Establishing a Fund for climate related projects

Potential Climate/ Disaster Impacts addressed and Justification for this Approach



Multiple stakeholders in cities are aware of their needs to implement projects and solutions to address major socio-economic and ecological issues that arise with climate change impact. Some stakeholders may even have some idea of measures or projects, however, access to financing is restricted, especially for local communities. They need technical assistance to translate their idea into good project proposals, and they need some financial assistance to get started.

Process of Implementation

Phase 1: Preparing the fund

1. Identify and negotiate with potential donors for a fund
2. Identify, negotiate and select an adequate fund administrator
3. Create an evaluation committee (representation of Donors, Ministry of Environment, fund administrator) & agree on rules of procedure
4. Create a framework for a call for proposals (approved by evaluation committee)

Phase 2: Call for proposals

5. Generate info material and launch public call for proposals
6. Receive, evaluate and select winning proposals by the evaluation committee (some proposals were asked to improve specific aspects before selecting them as winners.)
7. Inform winning/beneficiary organizations and instruct them in administrative and management issues relevant for project implementation and reporting.
8. Sign contracts with beneficiary organizations.
9. When necessary, assist in project implementation and reporting. Create communication material on the implementation phase

Phase 3: Generating lessons learned

10. After project completion, evaluate projects (a standardized evaluation form was filled out by fund recipients/beneficiaries).
11. Communicate broadly results and impacts from funded projects.
12. Systematize lessons learned and good practices in videos and fact sheets and disseminate via appropriate channels to all relevant stakeholders.

Project Title

Biodiver_CITY: Establishing Interurban Biocorridors

Project Number

2017.9049.2

Results and Impacts

Two calls for proposals have been made, receiving more than 60 project proposals. 15 projects have been approved and received financial support (in total EUR 290.000). Beneficiary organizations have almost doubled this amount in own contribution. Funded projects address environmental, economic, and social issues across all sectors. In this sense, giving opportunity to funding of locally proposed projects - by municipalities, communities organizations, universities, ONGs, and small/micro businesses, one guaranties that specific needs are effectively addressed. This approach ensures ownership over projects and their results/impacts.



TYPE OF APPROACH

Access to finance



COUNTRY

Costa Rica



LEVEL OF INTERVENTION

(inter-)national, subnational/regional, city, neighbourhood



TYPE OF RISK MANAGEMENT

prevention, resistance, transformation



MAIN HAZARDS ADDRESSED

Flood, Heat Wave, Landslide



URBAN FUNCTION PROTECTED

Housing, Domestic supply (food, household goods, etc.), Recreation



SPHERE OF INTERVENTION

economy, environment



RESOURCES REQUIRED

Phases 1, part time human resources; Phase 3, negotiated funding and experts in communication



COOPERATION PARTNERS

Inter-/National donors, Public institutions (ministry for the environment, ministry for housing, etc.)



LINKS

<https://biocorredores.org/biodiver-city-sanjose/iniciativas/lineamientos-concurso-fondo-recuperacion-urbana-verde-y-biodiversa>
<https://biocorredores.org/biodiver-city-sanjose/iniciativas/fondo-ciudad-verde>
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