



Experience from existing financing mechanisms

First meeting of the Ad Hoc Project Facilitation Mechanism



Protocol on Water and Health

Background and objectives

- Articles 11 and 14 of the Protocol: obligation to assist each other
- Decision I/3 on the Ad Hoc Project Facilitation Mechanism: Basic TOR (structure, objectives, voluntary basis)
=> Mandate to define criteria for adoption by the Working Group on Water and Health



Example 1: CBD

- Obligation to provide financial resources to developing countries (article 20)
- Objective: assist Parties (developing countries) to fulfil their obligations under the Convention
- Mechanism: GEF according to strategies and criteria adopted by the COP
- Criteria: projects that have national priority, **development of national strategies**, monitoring, capacity building, support to other articles of the Convention=> revised by COP



Example 2: UNFCCC

- Obligation to provide financial resources and assistance (articles 4 and 11)
- Objective: assist Parties (developing countries) to fulfil their obligations, in particular preparation of communications
- Mechanism: GEF according to strategies and criteria adopted by the COP
- Criteria:
 - in the initial period, focus on **enabling activities**: planning and capacity-building, **formulation of national programmes**, including institutional strengthening, training, research and education
 - medium, long-term: focus on assistance to the implementation of national programmes



Example 3: SAICM Quick Start Programme

- Objective: provide seed money for national priority activities to implement SAICM objectives
- Mechanism: voluntary trust fund, Executive Board, Trust Fund Implementation Committee, SAICM focal point
- Criteria: support initial enabling capacity-building and implementation activities (identification of capacity needs, development and strengthening of institutions, plans and activities; analysis, interagency coordination, and public participation activities to implement the Strategic Approach)



Example 4: Assistance programme of the TEIA Convention

- Objective: enhance efforts of EECCA and SEE Parties to apply the Convention and of non-Parties to ratify. Helpful when applying for financial resources
- Mechanism: preparatory phase + implementation phase
- Criteria: assistance on complex tasks supporting the Convention's implementation provided the recipient country has undertaken by itself basic tasks



Common elements of these systems

- Clear link with the legal framework or programme
- Defined priorities: short and long term
- Short term priority: enabling activities that support long-term implementation and capacity in the countries
- Eligibility criteria and mechanism stressing accountability and commitment of recipients
- Depend on donors' commitment
- Monitoring of effectiveness

