

Workshop on Multi-Stakeholder Partnerships for SDGs Implementation in Asia and the Pacific

Session 4 Building Towards Sustainable Multi-Stakeholder Partnerships

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Outline

- Context for climate change investment
- Fijian example on climate change adaptation
- Partnerships
- Lessons

Context for climate change investment

- Climate change is the biggest threat to our survival
 - Low lying island states are more vulnerable
 - TC Winston – one of the strongest tropical storms to ever make a lanfall
- Inextricable links between climate change and sustainable development
 - We cannot address climate change without considering it in the context of sustainable development and cannot achieve sustainable development if we don't tackle climate change
- Climate change mitigation and adaptation efforts must be scaled up
 - As low emitting countries, we need to increasingly adapt thus making a business case for adaptation is critical for investment
 - Effect on water resources is well established

Fijian example on CC adaptation

- Suva-Nausori urban water supply and wastewater management project
 - Climate change adaptation project
 - Response to the growth in urban population – this exerts pressure on public utilities
 - Constitutional obligation therefore consistent investment on a periodic basis is critical
 - Multiple financiers
 - GCF grant
 - ADB and EIB loans
 - Government of Fiji component
 - Blended financing options - proactive and focused approach to access the multitude sources of funding available i.e. Grants, Multilateral Loans (Co-financing), Government contribution, Technical Assistance pledges etc.

Fiji Islands

Key

- Roads
- Towns and Cities
- Divisional Boundaries
- Provisional Boundaries

ROTUMA 12°30'S
AHAU

Metres 1000 0 10 20 30 40 50 Kilometres
Miles 10 0 10 20 30 Miles

SOUTH PACIFIC OCEAN



NORTHERN DIVISION



WESTERN DIVISION



VITI LEVU



CENTRAL DIVISION



EASTERN DIVISION



LAKEBA PASSAGE



KADAVU PASSAGE

Fulaga, Ogea Levu, Ogea Driki, 20°S

179°W, 180°W, Tavana-i-cola, Tavana-i-ra

It's all about partnerships

- Through multi-stakeholder partnerships we:
 - Benefit from the unique offering of each stakeholder – ADB has a prominent presence in the Pacific, especially in infrastructure development
 - Ensure that the project is funded at least cost – cost of funding to be the lowest as possible
 - GCF funding – US\$31 million grant
 - ADB funding - Multi Financing Facility basis to reduce commitment fee charge which is imposed on the unutilised sum of the loan. Initial phase - instead of committing to the fully fledged facility, Fiji Government entered into a Project Loan Advance specifically to undertake the design works of the project
 - EIB funding – benefit from interest subsidies
 - TA component of around US\$4 million

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- Through multi-stakeholder partnerships we:
 - Deepen networks between local and international agencies
 - ADB, EIB, GCF, GoF, WAF, Municipalities, Ministry of Economy, Local Gov, Environment and Lands Trust Board
 - Effective project oversight
 - ADB – expanding its portfolio on accessing & administering GCF grants
 - GoF – tap into innovative finance. Create a Nationally Accredited Entity etc.

Lessons for sustainable partnerships

- Know your partners well
 - ADB's presence in infrastructure development
- Negotiate, negotiate & negotiate more
- Policy anchor is critical
 - Fiji's Green Growth Framework
 - Climate Change Strategy
 - National Adaptation Plans
- Ascertaining the effects of climate change at national level
 - Context specific evidence
 - Credible methodology for assessment will inform bankable proposals
 - This will strengthen institutions and partnerships

Thank You