











Vanuatu GCF Information Session

Under the Vanuatu-GIZ Green Climate Fund Readiness Program 21 March 2017

Background

The Vanuatu National Adviory Board on Climate Change & Disaster Risk Reduction hosted a series of climate finance events during the week of 20—24 March 2017. The purpose of the week-long event was to ensure that all stakeholders (including development partners supporting implementation) begin to work together to improve access to climate finance for the benefit of Vanuatu's most vulnerable people. This is in line with the discussions during the 1st Vanuatu Climate Finance Forum, in which participants decided that all stakeholders (from Government, Civil Society, the Private Sector and Development Partners) must progress work towards greater access to climate finance in a coordinated and cooperative way.

The Vanuatu-GIZ GCF Readiness Program engaged in the week by organising and facilitating a ½ day information session on the Green Climate Fund (GCF), as part of its aims to enure that there is increased knowledge and understanding of GCF processes and activities.





Green Climate Fund Awareness session

Stakeholder's interest

Vanuatu stakeholders were invited to RSVP online and indicate their key interests in the GCF. The responses indicate that stakeholders had a variety of interests in the GCF and the highest ranking interest was on accessing funds to implement projects.





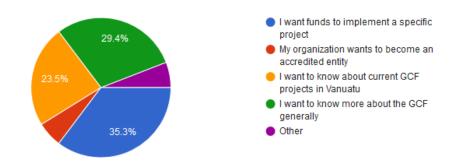








What is your primary interest in GCF? (17 responses)



Content

The information session was facilitated by Dr. Christopher Bartlett and Ms. Nikita Solzer of GIZ, and included information and awareness on 9 key elements of the GCF as it relates to Vanuatu:

I: Climate Finance – covering global finance distributions and sectoral distribution of climate finance in Vanuatu.

II: The Fund – overview of the GCF (incl. Structure and special characteristics)

III: NDA – covering the roles and responsibilities.

IV: Projects and Programmes – covering the types of projects that can be funded under the GCF; the investment criteria of the fund; scale of GCF projects and financial instruments;

V: Accreditation – overview of the funds requirements and status of worldwide accredited entities (incl. those with a presence in the Pacific).

VI: Getting ready – overview of the GCF readiness and the Project Preparation Facility.

VII: GCF Programs in Vanuatu – overview of the Vanuatu GCF projects and programmes approved and underway.

VIII: Accessing the Pipeline – covering the requirements under the NAB: NAB Interim GCF Project Screening Process that the NAB Secretariat has established.

Evaluation

Stakeholders were invited to score their level of undersat tanding (0: having no knowledge - to -5: having expert knowledge) before the info session, and again after the briefing on each of the key topics. Results indicate that in all areas, stakeholder understanding of the GCF was increased. On average, stakeholder understanding was improved by 33%.



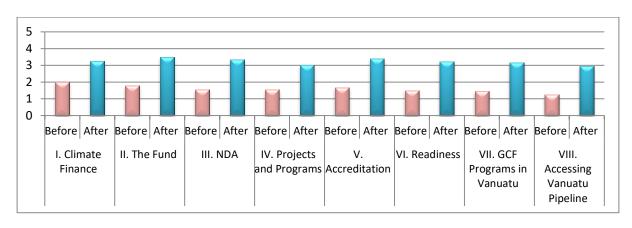












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Annex 1 – Vanuatu Climate Finance Series of Events Programme

Vanuatu Climate Finance Series of Events

Tentative Agenda

20-24 March 2017

Time	Monday 20 th	Tuesday 21st	Wednesday 22 nd	Thursday 23 rd	Friday 24 th
Venue TBC	VMGD Conference Room	VMGD Conference Room Grand Hotel Conference	Grand Hotel Conference VMGD Conference Room	-	VMGD Conference Room
08:00 09:00 10:00 11:00 12:00	CFWG discussions Climate Finance Working Group meets for planning and priorities, expectations (internal, no partners)	Green Climate Fund General Awareness GIZ Vanuatu	Climate Ready National stakeholder consultations NGOs and Private Sector	Provincial Election Efate: Staff voting in Efate rural will be dismissed from work.	GIZ – DFAT – ISAAC Stakeholder Consultations
	Lunch	Lunch Climate Ready	Lunch		
13:00 14:00 15:00 16:00	CF Project partners meeting Opportunity for projects discussion with the CFWG on CF needs and	National stakeholder consultations Government, NGOs and Private Sector	CFWG discussions Climate Finance Working Group meets for planning and priorities, expectations (internal, no partners)		Lunch













17:00 priorities