

Appendix 3
AADFI WORKING GROUP ON CLIMATE CHANGE
2024 WORKPLAN

...sustaining a commitment to addressing the challenges of climate change and achieving the Paris Agreement

#	ACTIVITY	DATE, VENUE	OBJECTIVES	EXPECTED OUTCOME	PARTICIPANTS
1.	<i>Meeting</i>	Virtual February 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To discuss and adopt the work plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workplan for 2024 	Members of the Working Group
2.	<p><i>Webinar series 1:</i></p> <p>Experience sharing on the journey to accessing Climate Finance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - challenges and prospects 	Virtual March 7 (2-3hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invite the GCF secretariat to present key accreditation requirements to the members. Present process of undertaking gap analysis for members Discuss the GCF guide to accreditation and how to expand access. (reflection on the guide presented by the GCF secretariat) Share experiences from members of the Group on their journey toward accessing climate finance. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Their accreditation to GCF, - Discuss collaborative ways to assist members through the accreditation journey (including ways to address Identified gaps) - Set a timeline for institutions to address the gaps Discuss preparation for the 2024 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awareness of climate funding and means of obtaining financing. Strategies and ways to support members in addressing and resolving identified challenges. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identifying where members are on the accreditation journey. - Identifying common gaps and devising ways to address them collectively - Prioritizing which gaps to address first - Update on plan for the Annual workshop and program 	Members of the Working Group and their colleagues involved in the GCF accreditation process. GCF secretariat

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			Annual Workshop to be led by the Group		
3.	<p><i>AADFI Annual Workshop:</i> <i>Suggested themes:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Facilitating Access to GCF and Global Environmental Fund</i> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>OR</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mobilizing Climate Finance, Increasing Access for African DFIs 	<p style="text-align: center;">In-Person</p> <p style="text-align: center;">May 27 8:30 am-12:30 pm Nairobi, Kenya</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Half-day GCF project development workshop, including application of evaluation criteria. (Invite GCF specialist to present & present members' successfully funded projects and programmes.) • Review progress in addressing identified gaps. • Share lessons regarding capacity development required pre and post-accreditation • Explore potential co-investment opportunities between accredited and non-accredited members. • Share pipeline development strategies • Update knowledge and information on the GCF and Global Environmental Facility, • Present in practical terms how African DFIs, particularly the national DFIs, can fast-track accreditation and access to funds, • Discuss GEF/ climate funding institutions in supporting climate projects, • Criteria for accessing the funds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A practical road map for African DFIs in accessing green fund • Meeting of the Working Group (in person), GCF or other specialist to present to the working group. In-person Interaction of the members with the GCF and other specialists. 	<p>DFIs and stakeholders GCF and others (e.g. African Development Bank)</p>

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4.	Webinar series 2 GCF projects and funding	July 18 (TBC) Virtual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review accreditation progress for each member. • Each member to share challenges they have experienced. Accredited members to share potential solutions based on their own experiences. • Explore if there is a need to present an association-wide concern to the GCF (using the convening power of the association as leverage to accelerate progress) • Discuss the outcome of the Annual Workshop and the way forward, • Update knowledge and information on GCF projects and funding: process and expectations. • Build competence to enable members to gain speedy accreditation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved knowledge of GCF projects and funding. • To review the progress of members in their accreditation to GCF based on solutions and outcomes of the earlier engagements. 	DFIs and stakeholders
5.	Webinar/Workshop series 3 Workshop on the design and appraisal of climate projects and pipelines - -project preparation	Virtual /in-person August 26-29 (5 days TBC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members to present to the working group accreditation progress to date and challenges still being experienced. • Members to share policy, tools and processes in-line with accreditation requirements. • Discussions regarding organizational structures that are ideal for accessing climate and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skilled staff in environmental projects finance and monitoring • Development of policies, tools and systems/processes. • Sharing lessons on appropriate organizational structures or capacity building for effective implementation. 	Project officer, Analysts in DFIs Accreditation teams

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			<p>environmental finance efficiently.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upscale understanding of what constitutes environmental investment projects that can attract funding from climate finance sources. • Sharpen skill in the appraisal of climate investment projects. • Discuss opportunities for co-investment in climate and environmental projects. • M & E system for climate finance • Development partners involved in project appraisal, documentation and concept note development. 		
6.	Energy transition and social justice	2 days (May or June) Cape Town TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deepen the understanding of DFIs on the nexus of the energy transition and social justice based on research, and come up with a set of principles and approaches that enable a positive alignment. • Build skills within DFIs to package energy transition projects, • Develop research and learning capabilities in just energy transition. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build competencies and knowledge of members • Awareness of the issue and complexities of energy justice, • Include energy justice consideration in DFIs financing and policy decisions related to non -fossil energy infrastructure 	Strategic decision-makers
	(in partnership with academic/research institutions) - ReSET project, IDFC	5 days (Oct or Nov) Cape Town TBC			Analysts Academia
7.	<p><i>Meeting of the Working Group (in person)</i></p> <p><i>CEO Forum of African DFIs</i></p>	Mauritius Nov 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To review the progress and take stock of activities in 2024. Discuss the 2025 Work plan 	• Workplan for 2025	Members of the Working group