

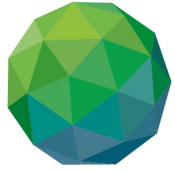
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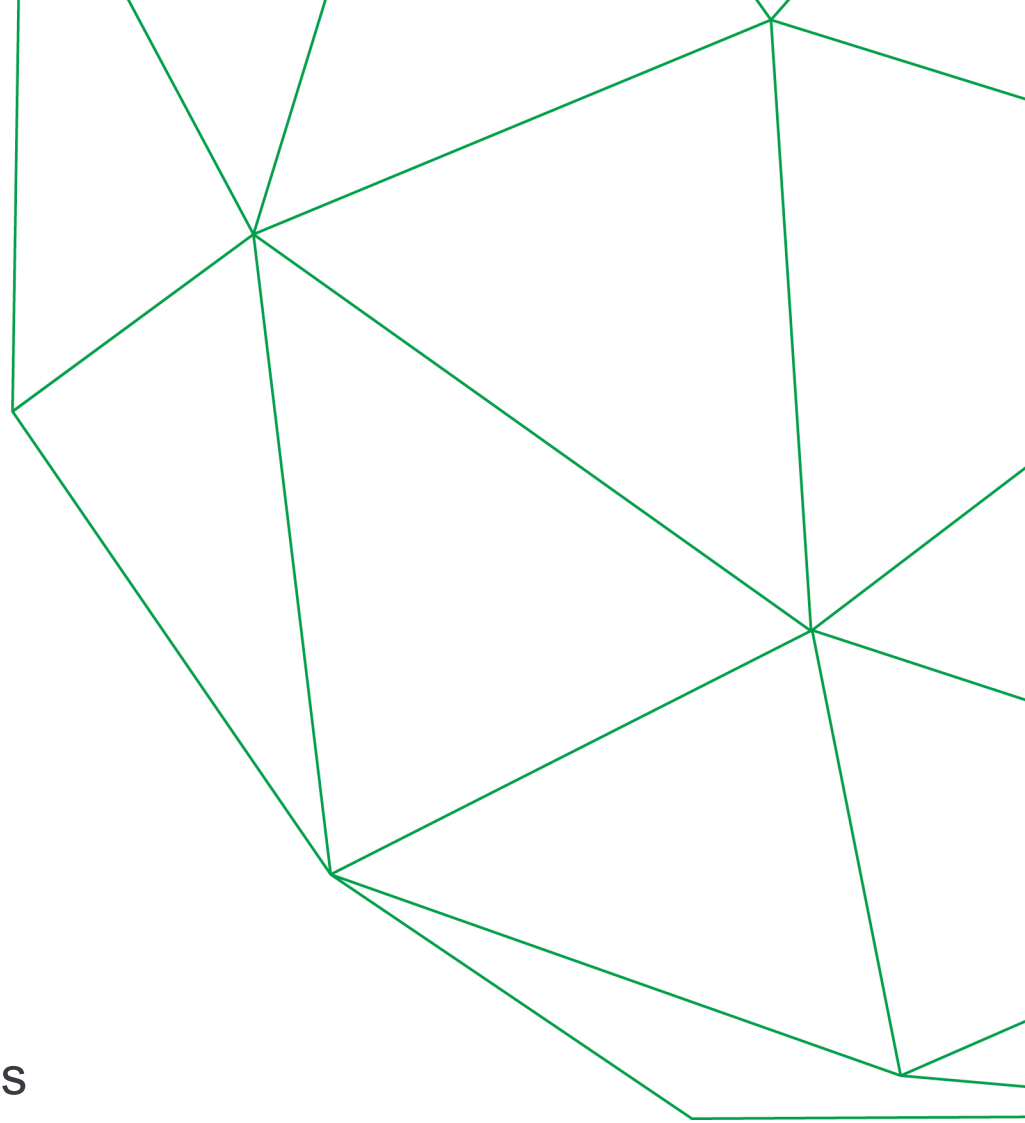
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Operational Modalities for 2024-2027 Readiness Strategy

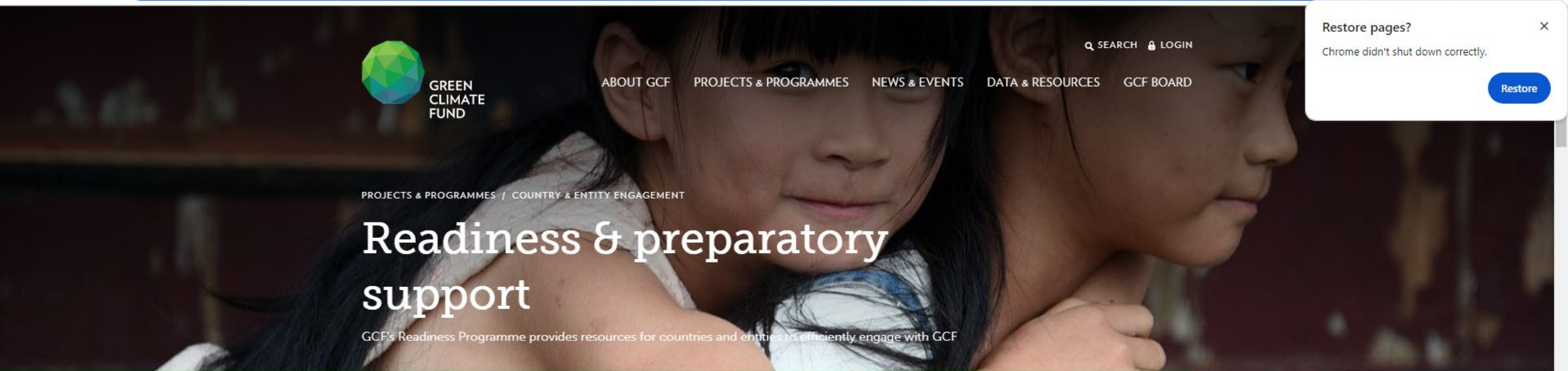
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Readiness & preparatory support

GCF's Readiness Programme provides resources for countries and entities to efficiently engage with GCF

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Overview of the Readiness Programme

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The Readiness and Preparatory Support Programme (the Readiness Programme) supports country-driven initiatives to strengthen their institutional capacities, governance mechanisms, and planning and programming frameworks towards a transformational long-term climate action agenda.

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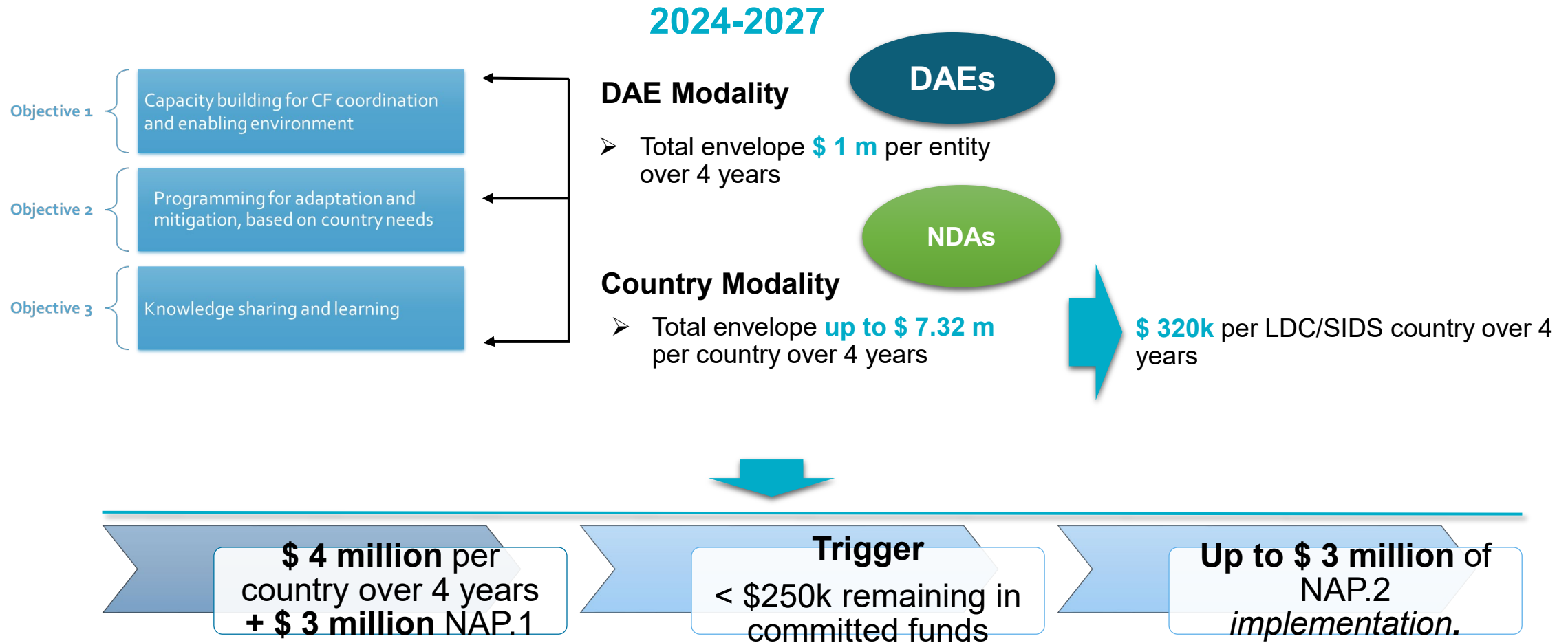
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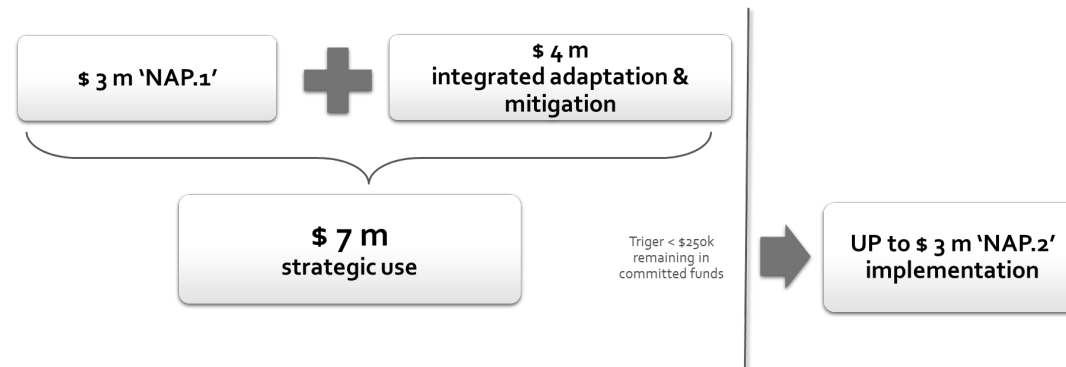
Financing Modalities



Financing Modalities



4-year integrated readiness support planning by the countries with support from the Secretariat



MAIN WINDOW ACCESS

- STRATEGIC, medium-term programmes



FAST TRACK (additional requests)

- GLOBAL Placements
- LDC/SIDS Placements [\$ 320,000]



ADDITIONAL REQUEST

- 'NAP.2' additional support
- MULTI-COUNTRY programme

Intentional about FLEXIBILITY and SPEED of ACCESS, while promoting systems thinking & better planning

Strategic Planning

Applicable to the Country Support Modality and the DAE Support Modality*

- Strategic, medium-term programmes based on **4-year planning**

ONE multi-year PROGRAMME

→ 4 years

mid-term review to course correct in
evolving circumstances & priorities
(‘still fit-for-purpose?’)

or

TWO multi-year PRORGRAMMES

→ Based on planning for 4 years

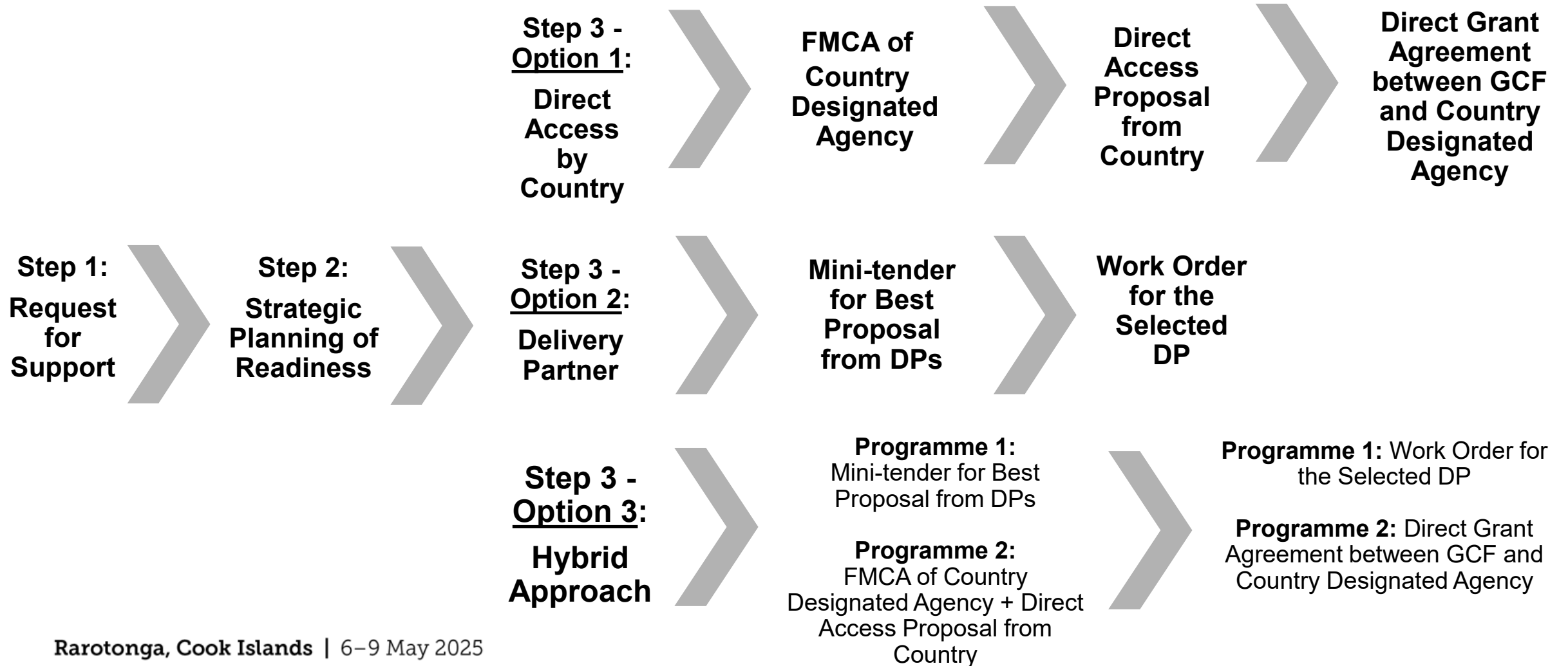
With any combination of USD values
allocated between the two programmes.
Used when requirements are **not suited**
for the integrated approach

Programme size

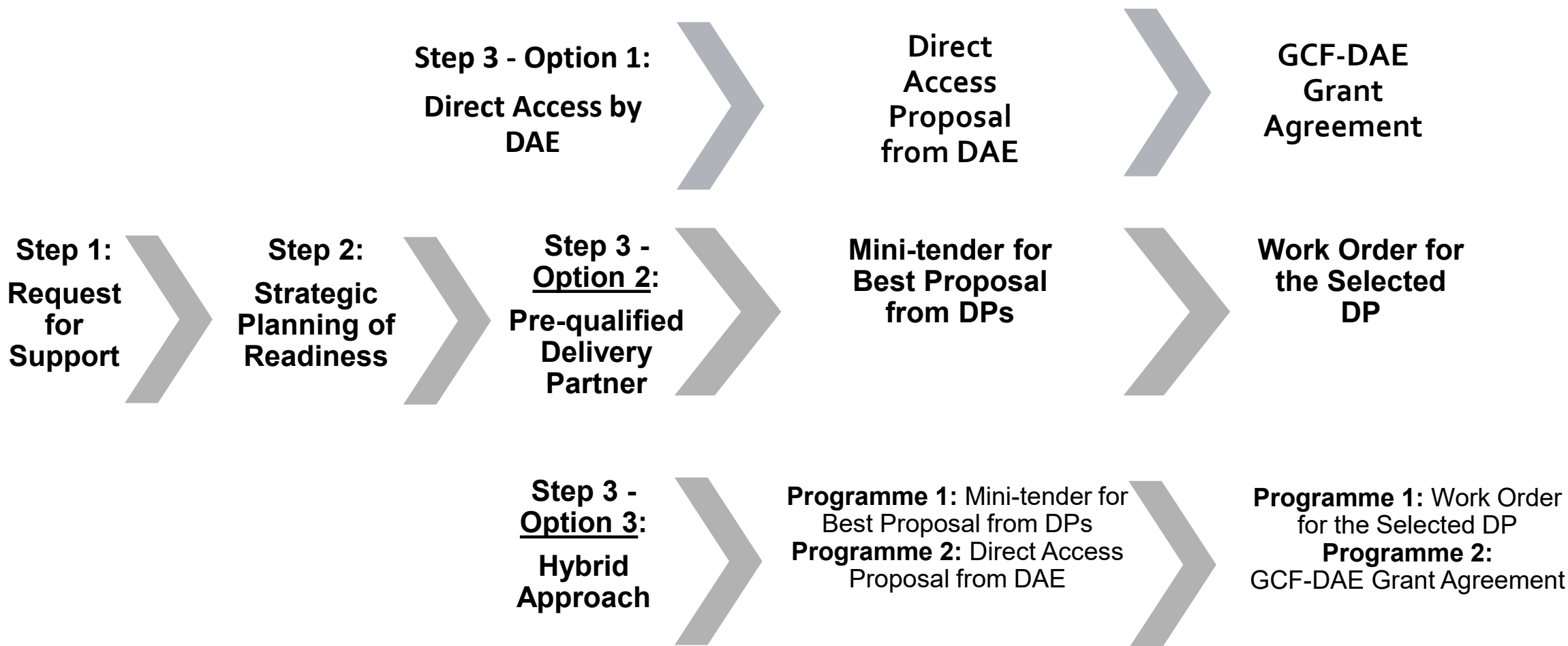
- **Country modality:**
 - Min size **USD 1 M**
 - Max **USD 7.32 M**
- **DAE modality:**
 - Max size **USD 1 M**

Intentional about efficiency,
speed, predictability

Country Access modalities



DAE Access Modalities



Step 1. Request for Support



Toolbox

- A standardised Request for Support template, for countries and DAEs
<https://www.greenclimate.fund/document/request-support-template>

Request for Support Templates [Step 1]

To: Green Climate Fund Secretariat
Date:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT, MAIN WINDOW

As the Choose an item. for [Country's/Region's Name], we hereby request readiness support under the main window, with the following details.

Financing Window

The 2024-2027 readiness strategy establishes the Country Support modality and the DAE Support modality. Please indicate which modality is being access for this request. Please choose one option:

- ☐ Country Support, Main Window ☐ DAE Support, Main Window

Access Modalities

For both Countries and DAEs, please specify whether the main window will be utilised either through one or two integrated programmes, to address the identified readiness needs in a strategic and medium-term manner.

- ☐ Main window - **ONE PROGRAMME** to the total envelope allocated for the country or DAE support, covering all three objectives outlined in the 2024-2027 readiness strategy.

Please choose a planned or preferred access modality. Please chose one option:

- ☐ Direct Access by the NDA/focal point, in their coordination capacity, or by the DAE
- ☐ Using a pre-qualified delivery partner, based on selection of the best technical and financial offer
- ☐ Hybrid: a mix of direct access and using a competitively selected pre-qualified delivery partner

- ☐ Main window - **TWO PROGRAMMES** with any combination of USD funding between them, up to the total envelope allocated for the country or DAE support.

PROGRAMME 1	Please choose area(s) where support is required <input type="checkbox"/> Objective 1: Institutional strengthening and strategic frameworks <input type="checkbox"/> Objective 2: Pipeline development & implementation <input type="checkbox"/> Objective 3: Knowledge-sharing and learning	Please choose one option: <input type="checkbox"/> Direct Access by the NDA/focal point, in their coordination capacity, or by the DAE <input type="checkbox"/> Using a pre-qualified delivery partner, based on selection of the best technical and financial offer <input type="checkbox"/> Hybrid: a mix of the two options
PROGRAMME 2	Please choose area(s) where support is required <input type="checkbox"/> Objective 1: Institutional strengthening and strategic frameworks <input type="checkbox"/> Objective 2: Pipeline development & implementation <input type="checkbox"/> Objective 3: Knowledge-sharing and learning	Please choose one option: <input type="checkbox"/> Direct Access by the NDA/focal point, in their coordination capacity, or by the DAE <input type="checkbox"/> Using a delivery partner, based on selection of the best technical and financial offer <input type="checkbox"/> Hybrid: a mix of the two options

Contact Information: Name, position and email address of the contact person.

Signature: _____ Authorised Signatory's Name, Position

Step 2. Strategic, medium-term planning



Toolbox

Country Support Window

- <https://www.greenclimate.fund/document/guide-countries-access-readiness-support>
- <https://www.greenclimate.fund/document/guide-countries-strategic-planning>
- <https://www.greenclimate.fund/document/country-readiness-tor-template>

DAE Support Window

- <https://www.greenclimate.fund/document/guide-direct-access-entities-access-readiness-support>
- <https://www.greenclimate.fund/document/guide-direct-access-entities-strategic-planning>
- <https://www.greenclimate.fund/document/direct-access-entities-readiness-tor-template>

Actions



- To strategically plan over the medium term, from current readiness status (baseline) → where to be by end of Year 4 (result areas).



- To **coordinate** action and engage relevant stakeholders

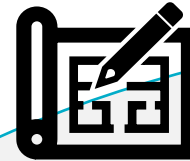
- Readiness needs and gaps identified through strategic, medium-term planning will ultimately form the ToRs → used either:
 - For pre-qualified DPs or
 - To inform the Direct Access Proposal
- **Assistance** from the Secretariat upon request.
- Countries and DAEs can also utilise the expertise and resources, such as the **GCF placement experts**.

Step 3 – Option 1. Direct Access

Actions for NDAs & DAEs, and GCF



- Strategic, medium-term planning
- Confirm NDA/government agency or DAE can
 - Enter into a direct grant agreement with GCF
 - Receive funds directly from GCF
- FMCA
- Direct Access Proposal Submission
- Individual grant agreement



Toolbox

- <https://www.greenclimate.fund/document/financial-management-capacity-assessment-template>
- <https://www.greenclimate.fund/document/direct-access-proposal-template>
- Standard grant agreement for Direct [National] Access*

Agencies with **Framework** Readiness and Preparatory Support Grant Agreements with the GCF Secretariat might be invited directly by countries and DAEs to submit proposals to address their ToRs. [GCF encourages more than one FWA holder to be invited to submit a proposal.](#)

Current holders UNDP, UNEP/UNEP-CTCN, GIZ, FAO, GGGI, CCCCC, CAF, UNIDO, IDB, SPC, SPREP.

Step 3 – Option 2. Pre-qualified DPs



- Strategic, medium-term planning/ToR, in consultation with relevant stakeholders
- Mini – tender for best proposal from pre-qualified DPs*
- Work Orders based on the winning proposal (no need for individual grant agreements)



Toolbox

- <https://www.greenclimate.fund/document/mini-tender-proposal-template>
- A work order for DPs*

* GCF pre-qualifies DPs. Selection criteria, requirements, and areas of expertise will be published widely, including on local/NDA platforms. Pre-qualified DPs will be grouped per area of expertise:

- Lot 1: **Policy and Regulation lot**, incl. Vulnerability and Resilience (V&R) sub-lot, Private Sector (PS) Engagement sub-lot, and Knowledge Management and Learning (KM&L)
- Lot 2: **Climate Investment Design and Implementation**, incl. V&R sub-lot, PS Engagement sub-lot, and KM&L

Step 3 – Option 3. Hybrid Approach

Actions



Project planning and coordination with relevant stakeholders

Readiness Access

- For projects implemented through pre-qualified DPs, the NDA develops ToRs that are addressed via mini-tenders.
- For direct access, the NDA develops Direct Access Proposal.

Readiness Delivery

- For direct access, Direct Access Proposal + Grant Agreement
- For pre-qualified DPs ➔ Mini-tenders + Work Orders

Example

Programme 1 - Specialised Support ➔ pre-qualified DPs ➔ Objective 2

- To leverage specialised external expertise
- To benefit from streamlined contracting processes provided under LTA arrangement

Programme 2 - Direct Implementation ➔ Country or DAE ➔ Objectives 1 and 3

- To closely manage regulatory reform processes and other activities that benefit from a more hands-on approach or
- To benefit from local expertise and capacities.

[HTTPS://WWW.GREENCLIMATE.FUND/READINESS](https://www.greenclimate.fund/readiness)

GCF Placement Scheme

Purpose

Build the institutional capacity necessary for effective and consistent engagement with the GCF

Tasks

- Country programming and project origination
- Readiness planning
- Supporting project appraisal
- Supporting readiness and project implementation
- Awareness raising and communications

Costs

- GCF directly processes the consultant fees (National UN rates)
- Associated costs must be budgeted under the country modality

Budget source

- LDC/SIDS - Dedicated readiness window
- Other countries – Readiness country window

Contract duration

- 180 working days through 11 months and 29 days

Place of work

- NDA offices or any other agency if designated by the NDA

GCF Placement Scheme

PHASE 1. REQUEST

- NDA request
- TOR customization
- Agree MoU between NDA and GCF

3 weeks

PHASE 2. RECRUITMENT

- Default local hire
- Contract between GCF and consultant
- NDA and GCF co-selection process

13 weeks

PHASE 3. ONBOARDING

- Access to NDA and GCF systems
- Remote onboarding on GCF support and processes

3 weeks

PHASE 4. MANAGEMENT

- Subregional Lead interface between placement and GCF
- Day-to-day reporting to the NDA
- Monthly timesheet (cleared by NDA)
- Quarterly report
- Annual performance evaluation

Throughout contract



Thank you