

GCF-CREWS collaboration on Scaling Up Investments for Early Warning in LDCs and SIDS

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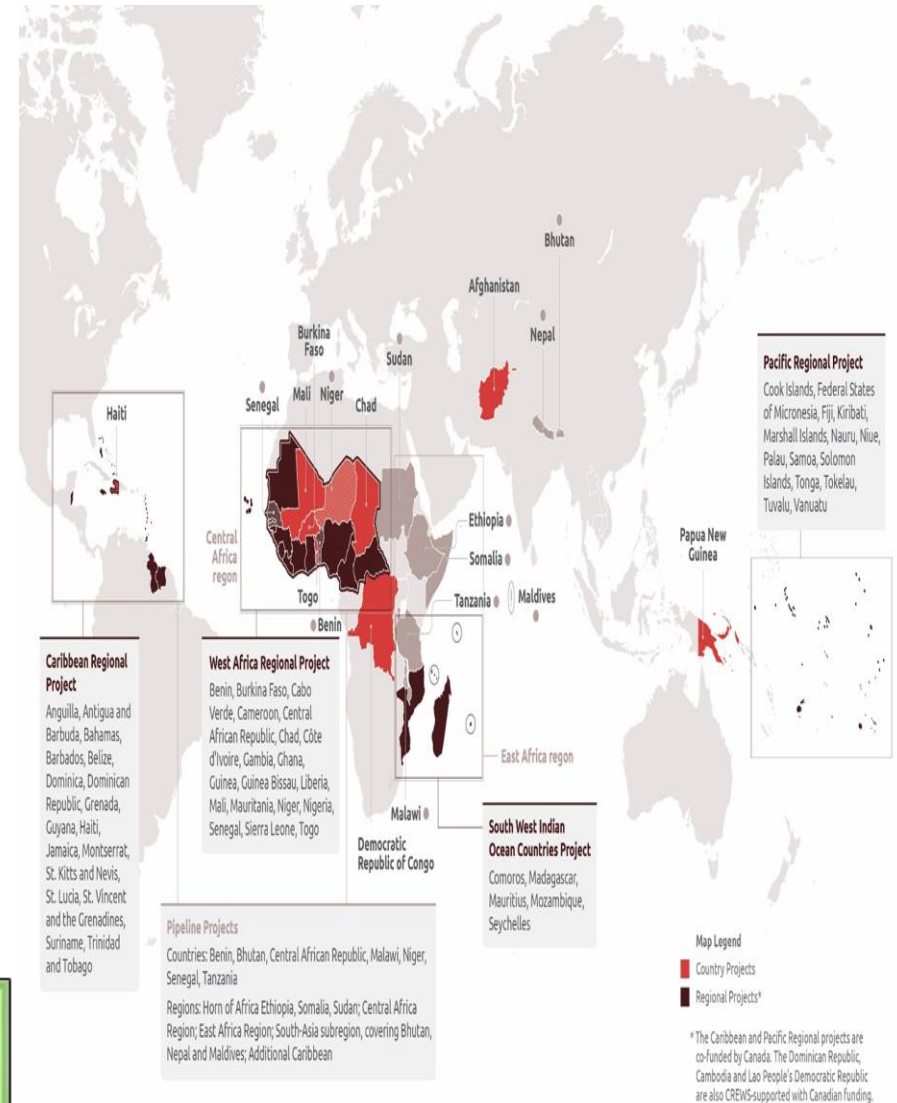


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Introduction to CREWS



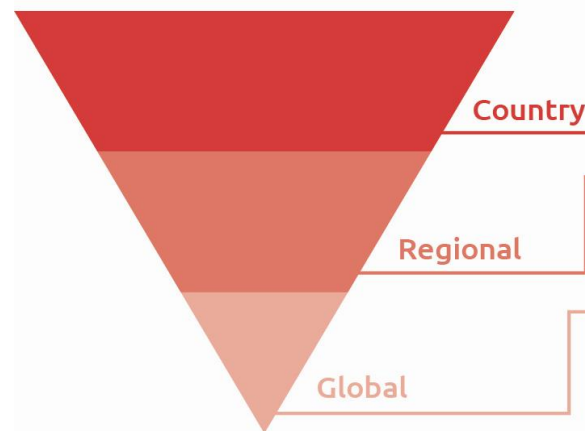
- The initiative saves lives, assets and livelihoods through increased access to early weather warnings and risk information for people in the world's most vulnerable countries**
- 73 vulnerable countries benefitted from country and regional projects**
- 10 million + additional people protected by new national forecasting and early warning systems**
- 84 million USD* new funds generated for country support from 8 countries contributing to CREWS**
- 9 country and 7 regional, 1 global project being implemented by 3 partners: WMO, WB/GFDRR and UNDRR**



Achieving EWS coverage in LDCs and SIDs

Roll-out of CREWS Operational Plan for 2021 – 2025: Delivering at Scale

Impactful action at three levels



Improving access to effective impact-based early warning system

- Hydrometeorological service delivery is improved
- Risk information is generated for impact-based forecasts & early warnings
- Information and communication technology are strengthened
- Preparedness and response plans are strengthened and accessible
- Gender-responsive capacity is built into the programs

Building regional institutions' capacities

- Institutional and human capacities at regional WMO and intergovernmental organizations are increased

Increasing the coherence of investments in EWS

- CREWS maintains a mapping of needs, demand and leveraging opportunities across LDCs and SIDs to guide investment in a more programmatic manner
- Activities contributes to standardizing how to measure progress on early warning systems in countries and against global goals

How does CREWS leverage investments by the World Bank, the Green Climate Fund (GCF), the Systematic Observation Financing Facility (SOFF) and other development partners:

- **Creating awareness and advocacy** about the need for early warning systems.
- **Triggering new financing**, delivering capacity and favorable environment for effective additional financing.
- Ensuring **investments are programmatically informed and optimally utilized.**

Achieving EWS coverage in LDCs and SIDs



The UN SG's Early Warning for All initiative within five years initiative

The ambitious objective of the UN SG's call requires a scaling-up of financing, collaboration, and the effectiveness of operations

Immediate funding needs of the CREWS Financial Intermediary Fund (FIF) ➡ USD 40 million

Funding needs for the CREWS FIF until 2027 ➡ USD 155 million

Success in CREWS investments

- ❑ CREWS success is measured in the reduction of lives and livelihoods lost to extreme climate events (SDGs and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction) and contributes to the action agenda of the Paris Climate Agreement
- ❑ Increased capacity in delivering the 4 elements of the Early Warning System



Success in CREWS investments

- a. Country ownership***
- b. Targeting lifesaving needs***
- c. People-centered***
- d. Gender-responsive***
- e. Leveraging resources***
- f. Integrated and inclusive programming***
- g. Coherence and coordination***



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- The support that **CREWS** provides to its recipient countries helps to build and strengthen early warning systems but **does not fill all of the associated needs of the LDCs and SIDS over time.**
- Accelerating access to finance while Maximizing and ensuring the longevity of climate impact therefore requires a number of concerted efforts over a sufficiently long period; **sustainability has always been a cornerstone of CREWS.**



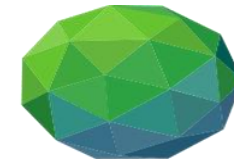
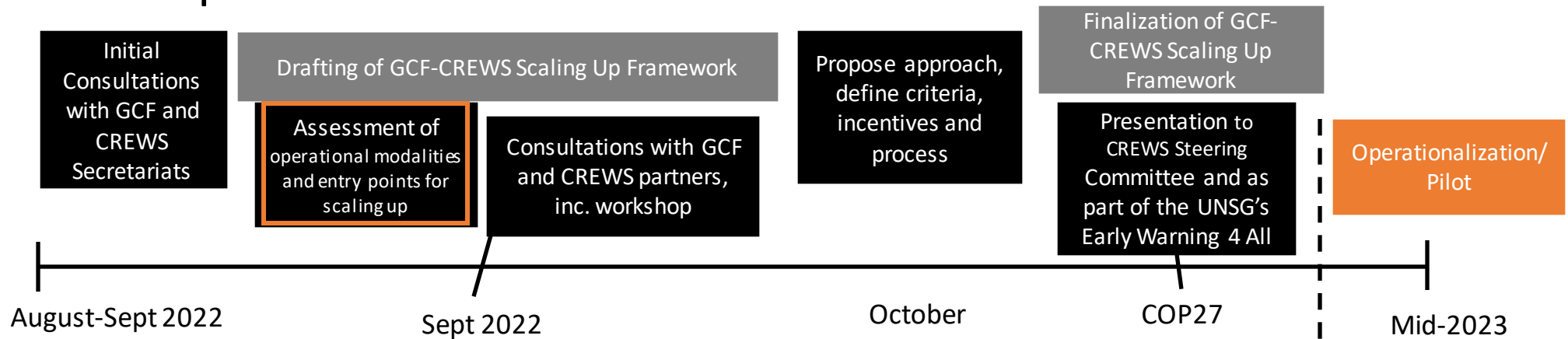
GCF-CREWS collaboration

- **GCF and CREWS share the common objective** of increasing resilience in developing countries and reduction of climate and disaster risks.
- Hence, the GCF and CREWS are **collaborating to develop a Scaling-Up Framework through the GCF Simplified Approval Process (SAP)** to:
 - have structured approach in order to provide countries access to incentives and benefits to scale-up successful CREWS projects with GCF resources
- GCF SAP-CREWS Scaling-Up would allow for:
 - Enhanced country ownership of investments
 - Scaling up successful actions/activities financed by CREWS through SAP funding proposals submitted by the GCF accredited entities
 - Encourage innovation by implementing tailored-approaches
 - Promote sustainability of investments through delivering to scale and leveraging an estimated USD 700 million in CREWS related investments;



Developing the GCF-CREWS Scaling-Up Framework

- GCF and CREWS to undertake a process to develop the step-by-step guidance of scale up framework for GCF financing opportunities, along with a list of potential countries for scaled up financing.
- Proposed Process Timeline:



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