

**Briefing Note One<sup>1</sup> (Updated January 2024)**  
**Canada's \$5.3 billion Climate Pledge:**  
**Announced Project Commitments, April 2021 to December 2023**

**Canada's \$5.3 Billion Climate Finance Pledge**  
**Highlights**

The following are some key highlights from the announced allocations from Canada's \$5.3 billion climate pledge as of December 2023. It is important to note that while well over half (59%) of the pledge has been announced; the allocation of the remaining 41% will change the highlights below.

- 1. Adaptation target not met to date** With 59% of the five-year pledge committed, 64% has been allocated to mitigation activities and 35% to adaptation activities. The Government has stated that at least 40% of this \$5.3 billion pledge will be allocated to adaptation.
- 2. Loss and Damage reported separately** At COP28, Canada reported its commitments to Loss and Damage separate from Adaptation and Mitigation. To date, \$23.8 million has been allocated or 1% of allocations to date.
- 3. Mitigation priorities in transitioning from coal** Supporting a just transition from coal is a key priority. Of the \$1,997.0 million committed to mitigation projects, 50% (\$1,020 million) is dedicated to the Accelerated Coal Transition initiatives in South Africa and Asia.
- 4. Civil society strong support for adaptation** CSOs are implementing 46% of adaptation commitments to date (\$491 million) and a negligible amount (2%) of mitigation projects (\$38 million). These CSO projects include the \$315 million Partnering for Climate program, dedicated to Canadian civil society initiatives for adaptation in Sub-Saharan Africa (\$300 million) and to Indigenous Peoples' Organizations in advancing climate action (\$15 million).
- 5. Improving focus on gender equality in \$5.3 billion pledge** Along with \$15 million for the Women-led Coal Transition Mechanism in the World Bank's Climate Investment Fund, there are a number of civil society projects with a gender equality focus and a minimum of \$20 million from the Partnering for Climate Initiative is to be directed to women's rights organizations (See **Briefing Note Seven** on Gender Equality).
- 6. Multilateral organizations remain a key channel for climate finance delivery** More than four-fifths of current commitments (81%) are channeled through multilateral organizations (with Multilateral Development Banks accounting for 44% of total commitments). Other Multilateral Organizations are implementing 37%, CSOs 17%, and Governments 1%.
- 7. Loans are a predominant modality for Canadian climate finance** Given the Accelerated Coal Initiative in current allocations, loans currently account for 48% of total commitments to date. This is less than the Government's committed 60%/40% loans/grants ratio in delivering the \$5.3 billion.
- 8. A focus on Least Developed (LDCs) and Lower-Middle Income Countries (LMICs)** LDCs are a significant recipient of Canada's \$5.3 billion in climate finance (21%), although 53% is directed to institutions where the country allocation is not available. Removing the latter, LDCs receive 44% and LMICs received 35% of country-allocated commitments.

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## A. Summary Statistics

**Total Five Year Commitment (April 2021 to March 2026):** \$5.3 billion

**Allocated to Date (November 2023):**

Mitigation	\$1,997.0 million (64% of total allocated)
Adaptation	\$1,078.7 million (35% of total allocated)
Loss and Damage	\$23.8 million (1% of total allocated)
<b>Total to Date</b>	<b>\$3,099.5 million (59% of five year commitment)</b>

**Note:** Adaptation/Mitigation projects listed in Section D (\$1,167.4 million) are divided equally between mitigation and adaptation above (unless otherwise stated for the Green Climate Fund, the Global Environment Fund, and the European Bank for Development and Reconstruction in the summary).

For details for all climate finance projects see ECCC, Climate Finance Announcements, accessed at <https://www.canada.ca/en/services/environment/weather/climatechange/canada-international-action/climate-finance/announcements.html>.

### Thematic Allocations

Canada's strategy for the allocation of its \$5.3 billion commitment sets out four thematic priorities:

- Clean Energy Transitions and Coal Phase-Out
- Climate Smart Agriculture
- Climate Governance
- Nature-Based Solutions and Biodiversity (20% of commitment or \$1.1 billion)

There is limited information on the current allocations of the \$5.3 billion to these four thematic areas. The following has been determined by the author based on the description of the project. It assumes that nature-based solutions may also be included in the other three thematic areas.

- Clean Energy Transitions and Coal Phase Out: \$1,118.6 million (36% of total allocated)
- Climate Smart Agriculture: \$108.2 million (3% of total allocated)
- Climate Governance: \$59.0 million (2% of total allocated)
- Theme Indeterminant: \$1,792.0 million (58% of total allocated)
- Nature-Based Solutions and Biodiversity: \$1,488.0 million (140% allocated of 20% commitment)

More than half of current projects (58%) cannot be allocated to themes as actual allocations from established funds, such as Partnering for Climate, the Green Climate Fund or the Adaptation Fund, are not known. These allocations will increase the share of actual allocations to climate smart agriculture, climate governance and clean energy transitions.

## Channels for Delivery

Multilateral: \$2,502.3million (81% of total allocations)

Bilateral: \$599.2 million (19% of total allocations)

## Implementing Channel:

Multilateral Development Banks: \$1,351.1 million (44% of total allocations)

Other Multilateral Organizations: \$1,151.2 million (37% of total allocations)

CSOs: \$529.4 million (17% of total allocations)

Governments: \$25.3 million (1% of total allocations)

Private Sector: \$42.6 million (1% of total allocations)

Other Channels: \$2 million (0.1% of total allocations)

## Modalities for Delivery:

Loans: \$1,487.9 million (48% of total allocations)

Grants: \$1,613.6 million (52% of total allocations)

## Allocation by Income Groups:

Least Developed Countries: \$640.1 million 21% of total allocations

Lower Middle-Income Countries: \$502.0 million 16% of total allocations

Upper Middle-Income Countries: \$309.9 million 10% of total allocations

Global / Unknown: \$1,649.6 million 53% of total allocations

## Share of total Country Allocated (\$1,451.9 million)

Least Developed Countries: 44%

Lower Middle-Income Countries: 35%

Upper Middle-Income Countries: 21%

	<b>Adaptation</b>	<b>Mitigation</b>
Least Developed Countries	54%	3%
Lower Middle-Income Countries	21%	14%
Upper Middle-Income Countries	5%	13%
Unknown / Not Allocated	20%	70%

## Partnering for Climate (Canadian CSO and Indigenous Peoples Organizations (See Annex A)

15 projects with CSOs: \$295.7 (99% of \$300 million committed)

0 projects with Indigenous Peoples Organizations (0% of \$15 million committed)

## B. Mitigation Projects

**Total Committed: \$1,220.0 million**

1. **Climate Investment Funds' Accelerated Coal Transition Investment Program** - \$1 billion (US\$808M) loan  
Announced November 2021  
Climate Investment Funds, World Bank

<https://www.climateinvestmentfunds.org/topics/accelerating-coal-transition> and <https://www.climateinvestmentfunds.org/news/cif-begins-historic-25b-coal-transition-pilot-four-developing-countries>

New Facility - Managed by the World Bank Climate Investment Funds

The Climate Investment Funds were established in 2008. Governance includes equal representation of donor and recipient countries, consensus decision making, and active observer status for private sector, civil society, and indigenous peoples' representatives. The two trust funds that comprise CIF, the Clean Technology Fund (CTF) and Strategic Climate Fund (SCF), are each governed by a Trust Fund Committee that oversees and decides on strategic direction, operations and other activities, as well as the policies that drive those activities.

Identifying this as one of its most urgent priorities, CIF announced the establishment of the Accelerating Coal Transition (ACT) Investment Program in early 2021. In June, the G7 announced up to US\$2 billion in support for the ACT and other complementary CIF programs aimed at increasing the penetration of renewables.

Canada has been the fifth largest donor, among 14 bilateral, to the Climate Investment Funds, with its allocation of approximately \$340 million (US\$283 million) during the Fast Start period.

The World Bank-managed Climate Investment Funds have developed a new Accelerating Coal Transition (ACT) facility, the first such instrument for developing countries. It intends to help low-income countries transition from coal-fired electricity to clean energy by supporting the implementation of country-level strategies and accelerating the retirement of existing coal mines and coal power plants while supporting an economically strong and socially inclusive transition.

Canada's Cdn\$1 billion contribution to the ACT Facility is approximately 40% of the expected first phase financing of US\$2 billion for the Facility. (See **Briefing Note Two**, Accelerated Coal Transition Investment Program, for more details.)

In October 2022, the CIF's Accelerated Coal Transition Investment Program announced the first allocations for the Facility, with US\$500 million each for South Africa and Indonesia's transition off coal. For Canada's \$1 billion contribution, its share in these allocations is Cdn\$200 million each (@40% of the total investment).

See <https://www.devex.com/news/south-africa-indonesia-get-1b-from-climate-investment-funds-104295> and <https://www.cif.org/news/cif-set-fund-just-transition-clean-power-south-africa-and-indonesia>.

**Just Energy Transition Partnership (Indonesia) - \$550 million (loan and mobilized finance)**

Announced: November 2022 (G20)

(<https://www.canada.ca/en/services/environment/weather/climatechange/canada-international-action/climate-finance/announcements.html>)

See <https://pm.gc.ca/en/news/news-releases/2022/11/16/prime-minister-advances-indo-pacific-engagement-and-shared-priorities-g20>

Accelerate Indonesia's clean energy transition. The G20 announcement of \$550 million included mobilized climate finance and GAC indicated that the public portion would come from the CIF-ACT program (May 2023).

**2. Women-led Coal Transition Mechanism - \$15 million**

Announced March 2022

Climate Investment Funds (World Bank)

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P010807002>

The Women-Led Coal Transition Mechanism (WOLCOT) aims to enhance women's climate leadership and effective participation in the design and decision-making of coal-to-clean transition strategies and implementation.

The project is intended to complement Canada's \$1 billion support for the World Bank's CIF's Accelerated Coal Transition (ACT) Investment Program as a dedicated envelope to be implemented alongside ACT, but not as a substitute for limited gender equality integration in ACT's main investments.

**3. Energy Sector Management Assistance Program - \$25 million (US\$20M)**

Announced November 2021

World Bank

This Program has been managed by the World Bank since 1998 and is supported by both bilateral donors and foundations. The Netherlands, Norway and Sweden have been major donors. See web site: <https://esmap.org/>

Help develop and implement clean energy alternatives and support low- and middle-income countries in the transition to a cleaner economy.

**4. Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC) - \$10 million (US\$8M)**

Announced November 2021

UNEP

As a founder and a top donor to the Coalition, Canada's contribution will provide critical long-term support to advance the mandate of the CCAC to reduce the emissions of short-lived climate pollutants across key sectors. Similar amount provided from the \$2.65B commitment.

**5. MRV Programming in Ghana, Liberia, the Gambia and Togo - \$20 million**

Announced May 2022

Assistance in building the capacity of their national climate measurement, reporting, and verification (MRV) systems. MRV systems are a crucial step for nations to develop strong and effective mitigation

policies and actions because they give governments transparent, accurate, and comparable information on emissions sources.

**6. International Energy Clean Energies Transitions Program - \$8 million**

Announced May 2022

International Energy Agency

Canada's contribution will support major emerging markets to build capacity for clean energy transitions. With a focus on emerging economies, the CETP aims to advance expert-level cooperation between countries/regions and assist them in their clean energy transition priority-setting through high-level strategy planning, technical capacity building, and sharing international experience.

**7. Sustainable Economic Development through Renewable Energy in Jordan - \$4.6 million**

Announced March 2022

CoWater International

This project aims to expand the use of renewable energy and energy-efficient solutions in households, schools and public institutions in some of the poorest communities in Jordan. It helps challenge gender norms by delivering gender-sensitive vocational training to women, helping them secure employment as renewable energy technicians and supporting the innovative business ideas of women entrepreneurs. Through a group of trained women energy ambassadors, the project raises community awareness of the benefits of clean energy. It empowers women to influence decision making in their communities and households and encourages investments in renewable energy solutions.

**8. National climate measurement, reporting, and verification (MRV) systems in Mexico, Peru, Chile and Colombia – \$4.5 million**

Announced July 2022

Support Pacific Alliance countries—Mexico, Peru, Chile and Colombia—in strengthening their national climate measurement, reporting, and verification (MRV) systems. MRV systems are critical for nations to develop strong and effective mitigation policies and actions, because they provide governments with transparent, accurate, and comparable information on emissions sources.

**9. Methane Mitigation Projects - \$2.0 million**

Announced June 2022

Canada will provide \$2 million over the next four years to fund methane mitigation projects in developing countries. The projects will be selected based on recommendations from the Global Methane Initiative (GMI). GMI is an international public-private partnership focused on methane reductions and supporting recovery and use of methane as a clean energy source.

**10. Energy Access Relief Fund (EARF) – \$28.0 million (loan)**

Announced: November 2022

SIMA (SIMA is an SEC-registered investment and advisory firm founded in 2015 by Asad Mahmood and Michael Rauenhorst, two of the longest-serving impact investment managers.)

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P009804001>

The Energy Access Relief Facility (“EARF”) is a concessional debt fund that is intended to provide energy access companies with vital liquidity during this crisis, in the form of low-interest, unsecured junior loans. SIMA co-developed the Energy Access Relief Fund (EARF) to provide subsidized and subordinated loans to viable off-grid solar and energy access companies in sub-Saharan Africa and Asia Pacific that are facing liquidity challenges arising out of disruptions caused by COVID-19. The portfolio has over 91% of its loans provided to MSMEs, and ranging in size from \$50K to \$2.5M to companies representing a broad cross section of the energy access sector.

**11. Enabling Blue Carbon in Indonesia - \$3.0 million**

Announced: November 2022 (G20)

Global Green Growth Institute

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P011545001>

This project aims to support the Government of Indonesia in establishing healthier blue carbon ecosystems that can help Indonesia better adapt and mitigate the impacts of climate change. Blue carbon refers to carbon sequestered and stored in coastal and marine ecosystems such as mangroves, tidal marshes and seagrasses. Projects activities include: (1) promoting the full integration of blue carbon ecosystems into national development and climate change strategies; (2) positioning blue carbon as the sixth component in Indonesia’s Nationally Determined Contribution plan; and (3) incorporating blue carbon within the national monitoring, reporting and verification (MRV) system.

**12. Nature Based Solutions for Livelihoods in Mangrove Landscapes (Indonesia) - \$20 million**

Announced: November 2022 (G20)

Global Green Growth Institute

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P011636001>

This project aims to strengthen Indonesia’s climate mitigation and adaptation efforts, and improve the sustainability of coastal livelihoods, by supporting the restoration and protection of mangrove ecosystems in North and East Kalimantan. Project activities include: (1) restoring degraded mangrove ecosystems and protecting intact mangroves with a focus on nature-based solutions; (2) building policymakers' capacity to better incentivize mangroves' restoration and protection; (3) introducing more sustainable fishing and aquaculture techniques to local communities; and (4) improving the licensing regime to provide vulnerable communities with greater access to mangrove resources.

**13. Methane Emissions Reduction in Caribbean Small Island Developing States - \$4 million**

Announced: November 2022

Center for Clean Air Policy in partnership with the Global Methane Hub

The project will support Belize, Grenada, Guyana and Saint Lucia in creating financially enabling conditions for a sustained expansion of organic waste management technologies that bring significant environmental, economic and social benefits. The goal of this project is to reduce methane emissions and other short-lived climate pollutants by building the capacity of waste stakeholders at the national and municipal levels; providing a forum for participants to share best practices and learn from others in the region; and helping cities prioritize municipal solid waste actions and measures.

**14. Southeast Asia Energy Transition Partnership (SEA ETP) - \$5 million**

Announced: November 2022

UNOPS

To support coal phase out in Southeast Asia. The partnership aims to empower its partner countries – Indonesia, Philippines and Viet Nam – to transition towards energy systems that simultaneously ensures environmental sustainability, economic growth and energy security. The SEA ETP brings together philanthropies with governments to accelerate energy transition in Southeast Asia.

**15. Clean Energy Finance and Mobilization (CEFIM) Programme – \$5 million**

Announced: November 2022

OECD

Support finance mobilization for energy transition efforts in developing countries. This contribution will help to strengthen domestic enabling conditions to attract finance and investments in renewables, energy efficiency, and decarbonisation of industry in emerging economies.

**16. Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN) – \$6 million**

Announced: November 2022

UNFCCC

To promote the accelerated development and transfer of climate technologies for energy-efficient, low-carbon, and climate resilient development. The contribution will provide developing countries with the technical assistance and capacity building support needed to meet technology needs in pursuit of Nationally Determined Contributions.

**17. Partnership for Market Implementation (PMI) - \$16 million**

Announced: November 2022

World Bank

This project will help support the expansion of carbon pricing tools internationally. Built on a decade of readiness experience, the PMI is the primary global platform for supporting the concrete implementation of domestic carbon pricing tools such as carbon taxes and emission trading systems by developing countries.

**18. Scaling up Nature-Based Leadership Platforms – \$18.7 million**

Announced: December 2022

International Model Forest Network

This investment will support efforts to scale up forest and landscape restoration, enable inclusive landscape governance and equip the next generation of forest leaders to address the twin crises of climate change and biodiversity loss. Hosted by Natural Resources Canada

**19. Enhancing Climate Resilience of Biodiversity Hot Spots in Jordan - \$7.0 million**

Announced: January 2023

International Union of Conservation of Nature

<https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2023/01/canada-announces-funding-for-projects-in-jordan.html>



This project aims to improve the resilience of climate-vulnerable ecosystems and increase the size of restored forest ecosystems in southern Jordan. The project also aims to increase the participation of women, youth and marginalized groups in decision-making processes to derive benefits from the implementation of nature-based solutions in the region.

**20. Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN) – \$6.0 million**

Announced: November 2022

Climate Technology Centre and Network

<https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/news/2022/11/with-climate-finance-front-and-centre-at-cop27-canada-helping-to-respond-to-priorities-of-developing-countries.html>

Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN), which is a body created under the UNFCCC, will promote the accelerated development and transfer of climate technologies for energy-efficient, low-carbon, and climate resilient development. The contribution will provide developing countries with the technical assistance and capacity building support needed to meet technology needs in pursuit of Nationally Determined Contributions.

**21. Catalytic Climate Finance Facility - \$7 million**

Announced September 2023

Convergence and Climate Policy Initiative

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P011913001>

The Catalytic Climate Finance Facility is designed as a multi-donor vehicle that aims to raise US\$100 million over 15 years. With the support of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and Australia’s Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the Facility aims to support between 30 and 40 blended climate finance solutions, with 14 to 20 solutions supported through Canada’s funding. This initiative is designed to increase the available pipeline of climate finance projects in developing countries and mobilize private capital into climate action, to help address the impacts of climate change on economically disadvantaged groups, particularly women and girls.

**22. Phase-down of HFCs, in Colombia, Haiti, Mexico, Peru and Senegal - \$2.2 million**

Announced: December 2023

UNDP

This project, in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme, will assist Colombia, Mexico, Peru and Senegal in phasing down their use of the potent GHGs, hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), to support the implementation of the Kigali Amendment of the Montreal Protocol. The projects support activities in the countries to demonstrate low-global warming, energy efficient technologies to substitute HFC-based technologies in the refrigeration sector, as well as training and capacity-building.

**23. Gender Equality for Nationally Determined Contribution Planning and Implementation - \$3.0 million**

Announced: December 2023

Nationally Determined Contribution Partnership

<https://ndcpartnership.org/>

The project will enable the NDC Partnership to promote inclusive and more effective mitigation policies and strengthen linkages with the NDC Partnership's Gender Strategy. Canada’s contribution helps provide

capacity building for the design and implementation of better climate policies and action that fully integrate gender issues

## C. Adaptation Projects

**Total Committed: \$688.2 million**

### 1. Least Developed Countries Fund - \$37.5 million (US\$30M)

Announced November 2021

Global Environment Facility

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P008676001>

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/D003613001>

No increase. Provided \$37.5M within Canada's 2016-2020 commitment period and \$20M in 2010 for the Fast Start period.

The LDCF also supports the national adaptation planning process in coordination with others as a means to reduce medium- and long-term vulnerability to the impacts of climate change and facilitate the integration of climate change adaptation into relevant policies, programs and activities. From the LDCF's inception in 2001, \$1.7 billion USD has been approved for projects, programs, and enabling activities to meet this mandate. Projects supported by the LDCF have mobilized more than \$6.8 billion USD in co-financing in all LDC countries.

### 2. Adaptation Fund - \$10 million (US\$8 million)

Announced November 2021

World Bank (Trustee)

New donor to the Adaptation Fund, although the Government of Quebec contributed \$3 million (US\$2.24 million) in 2019 and a further \$10 million at COP26 in 2021.

As the pre-eminent Fund for adaptation finance under the UNFCCC, Canada's contribution is very small relative to the 9 other bilateral donors listed by the Fund (e.g. Germany – US\$514M, Sweden – US\$172M, Norway – US\$52M, Switzerland - \$30M, UK – US\$16M. Significant funding has come from a 2% share of proceeds of the Certified Emission Reductions issued by Kyoto Protocol's Clean Development Mechanism. See <https://fifrustee.worldbank.org/en/about/unit/dfi/fifrustee/fund-detail/adapt>

The Adaptation Fund (AF) was created under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. The fund is designed to finance climate change adaptation projects and programs based on the priorities of eligible developing countries.

### 3. National Adaptation Plan (NAP) Global Network - \$10 million (US\$8 million)

Announced November 2021

International Institute for Sustainable Development

Increase - Up from \$4 million for the 2016-2020 commitment period

The Network works with developing countries to address structural drivers of climate vulnerability, as well as to empower women, marginalized groups, and those most affected by climate impacts to participate in the NAP process and shape a country's adaptation priorities. The Network will continue and expand technical support, innovate and experiment with peer learning, and make knowledge around NAPs more accessible and compelling.

**4. Phase I and II of Ocean Risk and Resilience Acton Plan - \$9 million (US\$7.2M)**

Announced November 2021

Stockholm Resilience Centre (Stockholm University)

Increase - Canada committed \$2.5 million to this fund in the 2016-2020 commitment period

Support Small Island Developing States and coastal developing countries increase their resilience to the impacts of climate change through nature-based solutions.

**5. Global Fund for Coral Reefs - \$6 million (US\$4.8M)**

Announced November 2021

United Nations Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office

New initiative: Support international efforts in coral reef conservation and restoration. Launched in 2020 and initiated by the Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation and the Paul G. Allen Family Foundation, and conceptualized during a workshop held in the Principality of Monaco in 2018, the GFCR has since become a global partnership that includes Member States (Germany, France), the United Kingdom, philanthropic organizations (the Paul G. Allen Family Foundation and the Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation). Administered by the United Nations Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office.

Through innovative public-private partnerships, the GFCR leverages a sustainable financial mechanism to safeguard coral reef ecosystems and preserve the economic and social development of the communities that depend on those ecosystems. The plan is to mobilize \$125 million in grants in \$500 million in financial assets which, together, will unlock more than \$2 billion in investments for the benefit of coral reefs.

**6. Partnering for Climate - \$315 million**

Announced February 2022 and program page at <https://www.international.gc.ca/world-monde/funding-financement/partnering-climate-partenariats-climat.aspx?lang=eng>

New funding for projects from civil society, Indigenous and other organizations to support climate change adaptation in the Global South. Two funding envelopes - \$300 million for non governmental engagement in climate change programming in SS Africa, including a dedicated minimum of \$20 million to advance women's rights and climate change adaptation through stand-alone projects or components of other projects; \$15 million support for Indigenous Peoples and organizations in Canada in advancing climate action alongside Indigenous partners in any ODA-eligible developing country. The fund is open to new and non-traditional partnerships and will allow for diverse experiences to be leveraged for nature-based solutions.

See **Annex One** for list of projects financed through the Partnering for Climate initiative.

**7. On-Air for Gender-Inclusive Nature-based Climate Solutions - \$10.9 million**

Announced June 24, 2022 at Kilgali Commonwealth Summit

Farm Radio International

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P010522001>

The project will use Farm Radio's interactive local radio programming to achieve enhanced rural community action on climate change adaptation and biodiversity using locally-relevant, gender-inclusive nature-based solutions. This project will help to create a common understanding of climate change, in particular how nature-based solutions can be used to address climate adaptation needs and enhance or protect biodiversity. It will offer a means for local communities (particularly women and youth) to identify and express their adaptation needs, expand access to NBS information across Sub-Saharan Africa; support rural communities in learning about, customizing and applying NBS for climate adaptation; and raise Canadian awareness of, and engagement with these solutions. There are six focus countries – Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Ethiopia, Uganda and Zambia - where we will partner with 20 radio stations to research, plan, produce and air 1000 radio programs specifically about inclusive nature-based solutions and biodiversity. Roughly one third of these programs will be "on air dialogues", while the balance will be documentaries and "how to" episodes. Additionally, we will directly support 200 stations in using learning and content resources to add NBS-related items to their rural development programs, and we will distribute those resources to all 1300 radio stations in our network to use as they see fit.

**8. Rural Women Cultivating Change in Ethiopia, Kenya and Tanzania - \$14.8 million**

Announced March 2022

SeedChange

This project will target remote rural regions of Ethiopia, Kenya, and Tanzania, where farming is the primary occupation and principal use of women's labour. Through the use of agro-ecological approaches that encourage equitable production, sustainable resource management and market access, this project will empower women and encourage gender-transformative change. Working in collaboration with women's rights and agriculturally-based organizations, support will be provided to advance climate adaptation, increase food security, enhance gender equality, reduce sexual and gender-based violence and improve livelihoods for rural women.

**9. ASEAN Humanitarian Assistance Capacity in Multi Hazards - \$2.0 million**

Announced March 2022

ASEAN Coordinating Centre for *Humanitarian Assistance* (AHA Centre)

This project will support the AHA Centre's integration into disaster management of gender, protection and inclusiveness considerations and of climate change adaptation and environmental sustainability standards and measures. Specifically, the project aims to improve the capacity of ASEAN member states and local partners to provide gender-responsive humanitarian assistance and respond to natural and human-induced disasters.

**10. Nature-Based Climate Solutions Knowledge and Capacity Initiative - \$0.96 million**

Announced March 2022

International Institute for Sustainable Development

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P010814001>

This project will strengthen the knowledge and capacity of Southern and Northern civil society and Indigenous peoples and organizations in designing and implementing nature-based solutions for climate adaptation projects that advance gender equality, are socially inclusive and provide biodiversity benefits in the most vulnerable regions of the world, including Sub-Saharan Africa, small island developing states and least-developed countries.

**11. Biodiversity Finance Initiative (BIOFIN) – \$10 million**

Announced December 2022

UNDP

This funding will help implement climate-nature positive-finance solutions, improved biodiversity management and climate adaptation with clear benefits for women and Indigenous groups in developing countries, as well as enhanced well-being for people dependent on nature's service. Activities of this initiative include clarifying biodiversity financing needs, developing a finance plan and selecting priority solutions with the highest potential to implement the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework.

**12. Santiago Network - \$1.3 million**

Announced November 2022

UNFCCC

Help developing countries avert, minimize and address loss and damage associated with climate change. The Santiago Network was established by Parties to the Paris Agreement at COP25 and is intended to facilitate access to technical assistance for developing countries. Canada's initial funding will support the set-up and operationalization of the network including potentially the process for selecting a host organization, setting up a secretariat and the interim arrangements.

**13. Flood Impacts, Carbon Pricing and Ecosystem Sustainability – \$15 million**

Announced

University of Waterloo

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P011535001>

Project activities include: (1) developing modelling tools that accurately assess the damage and costs of climate change-exacerbated flooding and inform policy development; (2) developing nature-based solutions to peatland and mangrove restoration and biodiversity conservation that incorporate women's knowledge, skills, and roles; (3) conducting gender-responsive research and developing policies and programs for climate change mitigation and adaptation, including carbon pricing; and (4) exploring and piloting of innovative social support mechanisms to address climate risks.

**14. Accelerating Green and Climate Finance in the Philippines – \$4.5 million**

Announced December 2022

UNDP

The project aims to accelerate the flow of private capital to investments in nature-based solutions (including for marine-protected areas), improve financial institutions' integration of gender-responsive and climate-related policies in their lending programs, and strengthen monitoring and reporting on the Sustainable Development Goals' impacts of green and climate investments.

**15. Climate Risk Early Warning Systems (CREWS) initiative – \$10 million**

Announced November 2022

World Meteorological Organization

Climate Risk and Early Warning Systems initiative to improve emergency preparedness in developing countries, particularly the small island developing states. By providing funding to the CREWS Trust Fund, Canada is helping to avert, minimize and address loss and damage and ensure that all people, particularly those most vulnerable to climate change, have access to authoritative information and services to make decisions about their health, safety and property in response to the growing unprecedented weather caused by climate change.

**16. Climate Smart Agriculture and Agro-biodiversity in Old and New Lands of Upper and Lower Egypt -**

\$10 million

Announced November 2022

FAO

It supports gender equality and the economic empowerment of rural women and men by increasing the adaptive capacities of poor and vulnerable rural populations to climate change, including landless, unemployed, under or seasonally employed individuals.

**17. Women and Youth in Action for Sustainable Ecosystems - \$25 million**

Announced: March 2023

SOCODEVI and Viridis Terra Innovation Inc.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2023/03/backgrounder-minister-sajjan-announces-1576-million-in-development-and-humanitarian-funding-as-he-concludes-visits-to-bangladesh-the-philippines-an.html>

This project aims to improve the conservation of ecosystems by increasing the ability of members of farmers' organizations and cooperatives to effectively develop agroforestry value chains that respect biodiversity and are adapted to climate change in Burkina Faso's Sahel region.

**18. Enhancing Eco-systems and Coastal Protection for Climate Change Resilience in the Caribbean - \$12 million**

Announced: February 2023

CARICOM: Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC)

<https://pm.gc.ca/en/news/backgrounders/2023/02/16/canada-announces-448-million-new-funding-support-caricom-addressing>

This initiative aims to increase the climate resilience of communities and vulnerable populations in the region by transforming the way coral reefs and coastal ecosystems are managed to ensure that their biodiversity is protected and that the vital services they provide are sustained. The Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre is the only regional institution established specifically to address the impacts of Climate Change. The Centre operates as a CARICOM agency. It is overseen by a Board of Directors selected by the Council of Ministers designated for this purpose by the CARICOM Heads of Government.

**19. Scaling up Investments in Nature-Based Solutions – \$10 million**

Announced: March 2023

Global Center on Adaptation

<https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2023/03/backgrounder-minister-sajjan-announces-1576-million-in-development-and-humanitarian-funding-as-he-concludes-visits-to-bangladesh-the-philippines-an.html>

This project in Bangladesh is funded in partnership with the Global Center on Adaptation and aims to promote an increase in the national and global knowledge of nature-based solutions. It will also provide technical and capacity building support to promote climate-resilient and gender-responsive infrastructure, as well as help public and private organizations access climate funds for adaptation.

**20. Moroccan Forest Strategy / Resilient women of the Middle Atlas Project – \$10 million**

Announced: December 2022

International Development Co-operation Company, a Canadian non-governmental organization

<https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2022/12/backgrounder-canadas-new-support-to-protect-biodiversity-in-developing-countries.html>

This project will support the operationalization of the new Moroccan Forest Strategy in the Khenifra National Park area. By empowering women to be primary forestry actors, the project takes an integrated approach to the management of forest ecosystems and recognizes the key role local communities play in the protection and conservation of biodiversity.

**21. Caribbean Organizations for a Resilient Environment (CORE) Project – \$8 million**

Announced: February 2023

Caribbean Biodiversity Fund

<https://pm.gc.ca/en/news/backgrounders/2023/02/16/canada-announces-448-million-new-funding-support-caricom-addressing>

This project will provide small- to medium-sized grants to local environmental and women-rights organizations to reach key ecosystems such as mangroves, coral reef and forests, and increase ecosystem services that support the resilience of Caribbean communities to climate change. Partner organizations will work in areas of waste management, tourism, agriculture and fisheries with a view to improving ecosystem health to protect the region's marine and terrestrial biodiversity that underpin the livelihoods of local populations.

**22. Water for Resilience in the Eastern Caribbean - \$4.8 million**

Announced: February 2023

UNDP

<https://pm.gc.ca/en/news/backgrounders/2023/02/16/canada-announces-448-million-new-funding-support-caricom-addressing>

This project seeks to address the loss of habitat and ecosystem services that support a secure water supply in response to the significant variability in weather patterns and extreme weather events combined with pressures from poor land-use management. The project will increase water security in Eastern Caribbean communities through gender-responsive access and nature-friendly water supplies for agricultural and home use.

**23. Nature-Based Solutions for Climate Adaptation: Monitoring and Impact project – \$3.0 million**

Announced: February 2023

International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN)

<https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2023/02/canada-announces-695-million-in-funding-to-protect-and-restore-ocean-ecosystems-in-developing-countries.html>

This project seeks to increase the number of best practices and the knowledge and capacities related to nature-based solutions of the implementing partners of Canada's nature-positive climate finance programming in developing countries. Canada's contribution will support gender-responsive nature-based solutions project design, implementation and monitoring; climate change vulnerability and biodiversity assessments and monitoring systems; implementation of corrective actions in projects; tracking of and reporting on the progress of Canada's nature-based solutions and biodiversity portfolio; and wide sharing of tools and lessons to nature-based solutions practitioners and other stakeholders.

**24. Climate Resilience Execution Agency of Dominica (CREAD) - \$750,000**

Announced: January 2023

Government of Dominica

<https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2023/01/backgrounder---canada-announces-funding-for-projects-in-the-caribbean.html>

This funding will bring Canada's contribution to CREAD to over \$3.7 million. The project aims to make Dominica's people, infrastructure and systems more resilient to climate-related and natural disasters. This project will help implement key Government of Dominica recovery and reconstruction projects and strengthen capacity in the civil service, allowing Dominica to better manage recovery from future disaster events.

**25. Inclusive development of the green tara value chain in Bolivia – 7.8 million**

Announced September 2023

SOCODEVI

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P010670001>

This project aims to sustainably develop the green tara value chain – which includes textile and health products– with a climate-smart agro-environmental approach, while promoting gender equality, adaptation to climate change, and food security. It aims to increase the incomes of vulnerable Indigenous rural populations, including Indigenous women.

**26. Africa Adaptation Initiative for the Food Security Accelerator - \$5.0 Million**

Announced September 2023

Africa Adaptation Initiative

<https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/news/2023/09/minister-guilbeault-supports-advancing-climate-ambition-in-new-york-city.html>

The AAI provides support for technical assistance, research, pilot and demonstration interventions for adaptation projects. The project uses grants towards a blended finance facility to catalyze capital for small and medium sized local agriculture enterprises in Africa. Through this funding, the AAI has established a catalytic investment vehicle to foster the acceleration of the resilience of the food system in Africa. The AAI Food Security Accelerator strives to offer 360-degree solutions to foster local private sector actors' engagement in resilient and adaptation of the African food system.



## **27. Systematic Observations Financing Facility - \$1 Million**

Announced September 2023

UN Multi-Partner Trust Fund jointly with World Meteorological Organization (WMO), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and United Nations Environment Program (UNEP)

<https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/news/2023/09/minister-guilbeault-supports-advancing-climate-ambition-in-new-york-city.html>

This project supports early warning systems for least developed countries (LDCs) and small island developing states (SIDS) in an effort to reduce, minimize and avert losses and damages incurred from climate change. SOFF is part of a United Nations Multi-Partner Trust Fund (UNMPTF) that was established jointly by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) at COP26. The project aims to close the weather and climate observations gap by providing financial and technical assistance to SIDS and LDCs for the long-term generation and sharing of basic surface-based weather and climate observations.

## **28. Africa Adaptation Acceleration Program – \$4.8 Million**

Announced September 2023

Global Center on Adaptation

<https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2023/09/backgrounder---canada-announces-2475-million-in-development-funding-for-projects-in-africa.html>

The Africa Adaptation Acceleration Program (AAP) is working to accelerate and increase climate adaptation action across the entire African continent and is open to projects from all African countries according to demand. Since its launch in 2021, the AAP has implemented development activities in 19 countries, including Côte d'Ivoire, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Djibouti, Ghana, Nigeria, Senegal, Seychelles, Somalia, South Sudan and Gambia, among others. It focuses on areas where investments in adaptation and resilience-building yield high economic dividends and can accelerate the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals. The interventions of the AAP span a multitude of sectors with 4 priority areas: food security, resilient infrastructure, youth entrepreneurship and job creation, and innovative climate adaptation finance

## **29. Climate Adaptation and Protected Areas – \$17 Million**

Announced September 2023

International Institute for Sustainable Development

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P011888001>

The Climate Adaptation and Protected Areas initiative works with project beneficiaries, including conservation partners, local communities, national and local authorities and traditionally marginalized groups—particularly women—to integrate nature-based climate solutions into protected areas management and conservation interventions. The initiative aims to increase the resilience, when faced with current and future climate changes, of ecosystems and people of all genders and social groups in the following countries: Zambia, Uganda, Fiji, Belize, Namibia, Angola and Zimbabwe.

**30. Support to the Great Green Wall in Senegal for the resilience of communities and ecosystems - \$25 Million**

Announced September 2023

FAO

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P011581001>

This project is a key initiative of the climate finance commitment and supports a flagship initiative of the African Union. The project aims to strengthen the resilience of ecosystems and vulnerable populations, especially women and youth, in the regions bordering the Great Green Wall in Senegal. This will be done through climate change reforestation, nature-based solutions, climate resilient agriculture, inclusive climate governance, and advocacy.

**31. Resilience of ecosystems and women's leadership in the Sahel (REELS) – \$30.3 Million**

Announced September 2023

CECI

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/filter-filtre>

The REELS project aims to adopt a regional approach to reduce the vulnerability and improve the resilience of women and local communities in the Liptako-Gourma region while fully taking into account the delicate security and stability context in which it will operate. The objectives are as follows: increasing the use of nature-based solutions to climate change under the leadership of women in community development processes; increasing women-led, locally adapted nature-based solutions for conservation, restoration and sustainable use of ecosystems; and improving economic, social and cultural environment for women to increase their influence in local, regional and national decision-making processes.

**32. Strengthening Investments in Gender-Responsive Climate Adaptation (SIGRA) – \$10 Million**

Announced: September 2023

Cowater Inc.

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P010611001>

The project seeks to advance climate action, food security, and inclusive governance in Ghana, to improve the resilience of Ghanaian citizens – particularly women, girls, and marginalized groups – through investment in inclusive and gender-responsive climate adaptation initiatives. It aims to strengthen the enabling environment at the national and local levels while supporting women’s voices and involvement in policy decisions relating to climate change adaptation.

**33. Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment: Disaster Resilience in Latin America and the Caribbean – \$2.6 Million**

Announced: September 2023

United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR)

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P012417001>

This project seeks to reduce climate and disaster risk in Latin America and the Caribbean. It will support the accelerated implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, ensuring that it incorporates a climate-smart, gender-responsive approach to foster greener, more sustainable, and more equitable communities. The project also seeks to improve climate-smart disaster prevention, including through more comprehensive disaster and climate risk management.

**34. Least Developed Countries Initiative for Adaptation and Resilience (LIFE-AR) - \$5.0 million**

Announced: December 2023

Least Developed Countries Group

[https://www.adaptation-undp.org/sites/default/files/uploaded-images/life-ar\\_cas\\_launch.pdf](https://www.adaptation-undp.org/sites/default/files/uploaded-images/life-ar_cas_launch.pdf)

LIFE-AR aims to help least developed countries (LDCs) achieve the LDC 2050 Vision, which was launched in 2019 by the LDC Group within the structure of United Nations climate negotiations. Central to the LDC 2050 Vision is for all LDCs to be on climate-resilient development pathways by 2030 and to deliver net-zero emissions by 2050. Through the LIFE-AR initiative, LDCs work with hundreds of experts from around the world to learn from, and build on, existing good practice.

**35. Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF) - \$34.2 million**

Announced: December 2023

Global Environment Facility

<https://unfccc.int/topics/climate-finance/resources/reports-of-the-special-climate-change-fund>

The SCCF is one of the world's first multilateral climate adaptation finance instruments. Managed by the Global Environment Facility and operating in parallel with the Least Developed Countries Fund, the SCCF has two priority areas: (1) supporting the adaptation needs of SIDS; and (2) strengthening technology transfer, innovation, and private sector engagement for adaptation.

**36. Enhance Resilience to Climate Change and Biodiversity in the Iraqi Marshlands - \$5.0 million**

Announced: December 2023

UNDP

<https://www.undp.org/iraq/press-releases/canada-commits-protect-iraqs-mesopotamian-marshlands>

This project seeks to address the nexus between human livelihoods and biodiversity protection of the Marshlands based on their reliance on a shared, water-based ecology. With a focus on women as stewards of local traditional knowledge, this project helps build communities' resilience to the deteriorating state of the marshes. This project will also help women and all members of the Marshlands communities gain access to valuable training and technical assistance to improve natural resource management at the local level which in turn will lead to more sustainable livelihoods.

## **D. Adaptation / Mitigation Projects**

**Total Committed: \$1,167.4 million**

**1. Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research – \$55 million (US\$45M)**

Announced November 2021

For 2016-2020 Commitment, provided \$1.5 million for the CGIAR's 2019-2021 Gender Platform and \$27.0 million in institutional support for the same period. Between 2010 and 2021, Canada provided \$126.5 million in institutional support or an average of approximately \$10.5 per year, with additional special earmarked projects during this period.

If the time frame for the \$55 million is the four years, 2022 to 2025, this would represent \$13.75 million per year.

CGIAR's mandate is to reduce poverty and hunger, improve human health and nutrition, and enhance ecological resilience through high-quality international agriculture research, partnership and leadership. Canada's support to the CGIAR contributes to reduce rural poverty, increase food security, improve human health and nutrition, and promote sustainable management of natural resources.

**2. Inclusivity with the UNFCCC Process - \$2 million**

Announced: November 2022

UNFCCC

This initiative will deliver capacity-building workshops, in both English and French to enhance leadership of women climate negotiators in developing countries to allow them to participate meaningfully in international climate change negotiations. It will also help enhance Indigenous Peoples' contributions to the UNFCCC, by supporting the implementation of activities under the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform.

**3. Initiative for Climate Action Transparency (ICAT) - \$5 million**

Announced: November 2022

Institute for Climate Action Transparency (management and support by UNOPS)

This initiative will help improve the technical and institutional capacity of developing countries to support NDC implementation and to meet the reporting requirements under the Paris Agreement. Canada's contribution aims to create and strengthen regional cooperation networks to facilitate resource-pooling and peer-learning in priority regions.

**4. Rocky Mountain Institute for Climate Finance Access Network (CFAN) – \$5 million**

Announced: November 2022

Rocky Mountain Institute

Support the Climate Finance Access Network (CFAN) expand its work with climate-vulnerable countries. The Climate Finance Access Network has made great strides in building developing countries' capacity to structure and securing public and private finance for priority climate mitigation and adaptation investments.

**5. Green Climate Fund -- \$250 million**

Announced: 2020

Green Climate Fund

Canada pledged \$300 million in 2019 in the first replenishment for the Green Climate Fund. Of this amount \$50 million was credited to the \$2.65 billion pledge and \$250 million to the \$5.3 billion pledge. The latter was disbursed in 2021/22. Of the \$300 million, \$210 million was in the form of a grant and \$90 million was loan finance. Based on the history of allocations in the GCF, 33% is allocated to adaptation (\$82.5 million) and 67% to mitigation (\$167.5 million).

**6. Global Environment Facility - \$74 million**

Announced December 16, 2022

<https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2022/12/backgrounder-canadas-new-support-to-protect-biodiversity-in-developing-countries.html>

Canada has announced \$219M as part of the 8th Replenishment of the Global Environment Facility (GEF), of which \$74M is from its climate finance commitment. The GEF helps support sustainable land and forestry management, reduction of air and water pollutants and protection of ecosystems, in addition to climate change mitigation. The climate finance portion has been allocated 80% mitigation and 20% adaptation based on GEF reports of project allocations.

([https://www.thegef.org/sites/default/files/documents/2022-11/GEF\\_Climate\\_Change\\_Catalyzing\\_Transformation\\_2022\\_11.pdf](https://www.thegef.org/sites/default/files/documents/2022-11/GEF_Climate_Change_Catalyzing_Transformation_2022_11.pdf)).

**Global Environment Facility - \$22.8 million top up**

Announced August 24, 2023 (Vancouver GEF Assembly)

<https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2023/08/canada-announces-contribution-to-global-biodiversity-framework-fund-to-protect-worlds-nature.html>

Canada announced an additional \$22.8 million to the 8<sup>th</sup> Replenishment of the GEF. This amount was allocated 80% mitigation and 20% adaptation.

**7. Promoting Improved Climate Change Governance through the Implementation of Nature-Based Solutions in Latin America and the Caribbean - \$2.5 million**

Announced February 2023

InterAmerican Development Bank

<https://pm.gc.ca/en/news/backgrounders/2023/02/16/canada-announces-448-million-new-funding-support-caricom-addressing>

In partnership with the Inter-American Development Bank, Canada is providing \$5 million to help Latin American and Caribbean countries who request support to build their capacity for the adoption of nature-based climate solutions, in order to increase their climate resilience and protect ecosystems.

**8. Green Climate Fund, Second Replenishment (2024 to 2027) - \$450 million**

Announced July 2023

Green Climate Fund

<https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/news/2023/07/canada-announces-450-million-for-the-green-climate-fund-the-worlds-largest-dedicated-climate-change-fund.html>

This contribution is a 50 percent increase from Canada's 2019 pledge to the GCF's first replenishment. This funding, which is a part of Canada's \$5.3 billion climate finance commitment, will directly support developing countries' clean energy transitions and climate-resilient sustainable development as more extreme climate impacts are being felt around the globe.

**9. High Impact Partnership on Climate Action - \$283.1 million**

Announced June 2023

European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

<https://www.pm.gc.ca/en/news/news-releases/2023/05/20/striving-better-world-leaves-no-one-behind-together-our-g7-partners>

HIPCA is the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development's (EBRD) first multi-donor partnership for accelerating climate action and environmental co-benefits, supporting climate adaptation, mitigation and resilience projects, including in Ukraine. This initiative will help advance low-carbon, climate-resilient

and environmentally compatible pathways in emerging economies and developing countries where the EBRD operates, in a manner that seeks to promote gender equality and economic inclusion. The project will operate over a 25-year period (2023-2048). Canada is contributing \$283.125 million to the High Impact Partnership on Climate Action (HIPCA), with \$250 million in concession loans and \$33.125 million in grants, including a technical assistance grant of \$20 million. Adaptation / Mitigation split 7% / 93% based on 2021 performance latest MDB Climate Finance Report for 2021 data.<sup>2</sup>

#### **10. Women Leading Climate Action - \$11 Million**

Announced: September 2023

Global Alliance for Green and Gender Action (GAGGA) consortium Fondo Centroamericano de mujeres lead agency

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P011213001>

The Women Leading Climate Action initiative aims to address gender inequality and achieve environmental justice by empowering women-led groups and environmental, climate and women's rights movement in Official Development Assistance-eligible countries in Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, and the Pacific, to influence key stakeholders to take urgent action to divest from fossil fuel industries, defend critical ecosystems, and support inclusive, sustainable and gender-just climate solutions. Funding from Global Affairs Canada will enable GAGGA to expand its activities to more countries.

#### **11. Generation Unlimited and Green Rising - \$7 million**

Announced: September 2023

Generation Unlimited (UNICEF)

The Green Rising initiative is a youth-led initiative that aims to address climate change vulnerability. It will support youth to develop and deliver a youth-centered training program on climate change adaptation and mitigation strategies, including gender-responsive approaches. There will be a focus on gender equality through activities such as: training and capacity building programs for women and girls; mentorship and coaching programs to learn from leaders and develop leadership skills; creation of safe spaces to participate in advocacy, social mobilization, and policy dialogue; and encouraging and supporting the participation of women and girls in decision-making processes related to environmental protection and climate change adaptation to ensure that their voices are heard and perspectives considered.

### **E. Loss and Damage**

#### **Total Commitment: \$23.8 million**

##### **1. Global Shield Financing Facility - \$7.0 million**

Announced: November 2022

World Bank

This initiative will help make climate-vulnerable countries more resilient and protect the lives and livelihoods of the most vulnerable, including women and girls. This investment supports the Global Shield against Climate Risk to strengthen the Global Climate Risk Finance and Insurance Architecture.

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<sup>2</sup> See <https://www.devex.com/news/cib-sets-15-climate-adaptation-target-by-2025-101994>

**2. Loss and Damage Fund - \$16 million**

Announced: December 2023

World Bank (Loss and Damage Fund)

At COP28, Canada announced \$16 million towards the start-up costs of a global fund to address loss and damage resulting from climate change. This funding will provide support to vulnerable countries and communities and equip them with the means to avert, minimize and address loss and damage. After Parties at COP27 agreed to the creation of the fund, Canada, as a member of the Transitional Committee on Loss and Damage, worked with developing and developed countries to bring forward recommendations on the operationalization of the fund that were adopted at COP28.

**3. Global Shield Centre of Excellence on Gender Smart Solution - \$0.8 million**

Announced:

InsuResilience Global Partnership (Hosted by GIZ, Germany)

<https://coe.insuresilience.org/>

Project to help developing countries access financing for recovery from natural disasters and climate shocks, and enhance gender-specific approaches in the climate and disaster risk finance and insurance sector.

## **Annex One**

### **Partnering for Climate Initiative**

### **Project Commitments**

For details on the call for proposals for this CSOs Partnering for Climate (\$300 million), see <https://www.international.gc.ca/world-monde/funding-financement/partnering-climate-partenariats-climat.aspx?lang=eng>.

Of 77 CSO proposals received (August 2022), 21 were invited to submit a full proposal, with a total value of \$420 million (against \$300 million available to be allocated).

The call for Indigenous Peoples Partnering for Climate concepts (\$15 million) is current open (January 2023). For details see <https://www.international.gc.ca/world-monde/funding-financement/indigenous-partnering-partenarias-autochtones.aspx?lang=eng>

Total Committed CSOs: \$295.7 million (99%) (November 2023)

Total Committed Indigenous Peoples' Organizations:

#### **Approved Projects:**

##### **1. Feminist Climate Action in West Africa - \$16 million**

Announced: December 2022

Inter Pares and Suco

<https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2022/12/backgrounder-canadas-new-support-to-protect-biodiversity-in-developing-countries.html>

Canada's support will help scale up community-based responses to climate adaptation by strengthening the participation of women and youth in local governance of biodiversity and climate action, improving agro-ecological practices and ecosystem rehabilitation, and enhancing economic empowerment in Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea-Bissau, Senegal and Togo. Activities include the design and implementation of ecosystem management and development plans, support for strengthening climate-resilient agro-ecological practices, and the installation of nurseries and reforestation of coastal ecosystems.

##### **2. Regenerative Seascapes for People, Climate and Nature- \$30 million**

Announced: February 2023

Mission Inclusion

<https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2023/02/backgrounder-canadas-new-funding-to-protect-and-restore-ocean-ecosystems-in-developing-countries.html>

This project will support the establishment of a network of sustainable seascapes that will help enhance the climate and socioeconomic resilience of coastal communities in Kenya, Tanzania, Mozambique, Comoros and Madagascar.



**3. Natur'ELLES - \$20 million**

Announced: February 2023

SOCODEVI

<https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2023/02/backgrounder-canadas-new-funding-to-protect-and-restore-ocean-ecosystems-in-developing-countries.html>

This project will enable the adoption of nature-based solutions to help conserve mangrove ecosystems, enhance climate resiliency and biodiversity, and support inclusive and equitable governance of the natural resources of mangrove systems in Senegal.

**4. Conservation & Sustainable Management of Coastal and Marine Ecosystems (COSME) - \$16.5 million**

Announced: February 2023

Plan International

<https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2023/02/backgrounder-canadas-new-funding-to-protect-and-restore-ocean-ecosystems-in-developing-countries.html>

This project seeks to improve sustainability for women in the blue economy who depend on healthy oceans for their livelihoods. The project also aims to improve coastal management in Kenya by supporting communities in restoring and conserving mangroves, sustainably farming seaweed, and managing and conserving forests.

**5. Gender-Transformative Wetlands Conservation in Lake Chad Basin - \$25 million**

Announced: March 2023

Alina

<https://www.alineainternational.com/le-canada-annonce-un-projet-sexotransformateur-de-conservation-du-bassin-du-lac-tchad/> and <https://www.international.gc.ca/world-monde/funding-financement/partnering-climate-partenariats-climat.aspx?lang=eng>

The Lake Chad Basin Conservation Project aims to enhance the climate resilience of ecosystems and marginalized communities structurally vulnerable to climate change. With a focus on women and youth, the project team will apply nature-based climate solutions to six Lake Chad Basin [RAMSAR wetland sites](#) in Cameroon, Chad and Niger. The project team will use an integrated approach to achieve better conservation and restoration of wetlands and adjoining agricultural landscapes, as well as contribute to sustainable and equitable use of ecosystems. Additionally, an environmental peacebuilding approach and the application of traditional, local and Indigenous knowledge and practices will help reduce local conflict related to use and access of resources.

**6. Women Pro-Forests - \$16 million**

Announced September 2023

Union des producteurs agricoles - Développement international (UPA-DI)

<https://www.pm.gc.ca/en/news/backgrounders/2023/09/10/working-together-deliver-real-results-beyond-our-borders>

This project aims to improve the adaptation to climate change of women and their families in the Moyon-Bafing National Park in Guinea, through the adoption of nature-based solutions. It also seeks to sustainably improve the economic opportunities of beneficiaries through climate-smart nature-based agroforestry solutions, and through the inclusive and equitable governance of forest biodiversity.

## **7. Gender Transformative Climate Adaptation - \$16.3 million**

Announced September 2023

Canadian Lutheran World Relief

<https://www.pm.gc.ca/en/news/backgrounders/2023/09/10/working-together-deliver-real-results-beyond-our-borders>

This project seeks to reduce vulnerability to climate change and enhance the well-being of communities and their surrounding ecosystems in the transnational catchment area of the Logone Chari river system between N'djamena and Lake Chad in Cameroon and Chad. The project will improve low carbon, climate resilient economies in the region through the adoption of nature-based solutions. The project will use a gender-transformative approach to support women in leadership roles and reduce their time burdens.

## **8. Knowledge, Rights and Leadership: Actions by and for Women to Adapt to Climate Change - \$9.9 million**

Announced: September 2023

Paul Gérin-Lajoie Foundation

<https://www.pm.gc.ca/en/news/backgrounders/2023/09/10/working-together-deliver-real-results-beyond-our-borders>

This project aims to use gender-transformative methods and nature-based solutions to improve women's adaptation to climate change in agriculture and forestry. The project will advance forest biodiversity conservation and restoration in the Democratic Republic of Congo's North Kivu (Walikale) and South Kivu (Kabare, Kalehe and Mwenga). The project will also seek to improve households' living conditions and food security status.

## **9. Zanzibar Women's Leadership in Adaptation Project (ZanzADAPT) - \$5.8 million**

Announced: September 2023

Community Forests International

<https://www.pm.gc.ca/en/news/backgrounders/2023/09/10/working-together-deliver-real-results-beyond-our-borders>

This project aims to enhance nature-based climate adaptation in vulnerable coastal communities, fostering biodiversity and conserving coastal and marine ecosystems through mangrove conservation, nature-positive land use, and climate-adaptive agroforestry. The project will help increase women's influence and leadership in nature-based climate adaptation enterprises and governance structures in Zanzibar.

## **10. Ecosystem Solutions for Sustainable Adaptation (ESSA) - \$15 million**

Announced: September 2023

Cégep de la Gaspésie et des îles (CGI)

<https://www.pm.gc.ca/en/news/backgrounders/2023/09/10/working-together-deliver-real-results-beyond-our-borders>

This project aims to contribute to climate change adaptation in communities in or near three protected areas in West Africa: The National Park of Arguin Bank (Mauritania), Niimi and Jokadu Park (Gambia), and the Protected Marine Area of Ufoyaal Kassa-Bandial (Senegal). The project will scale up the implementation of nature-based solutions already tested in the region for greater climate change adaptation.

**11. Climate Change Adaptation for Women in Protected Areas of Congo and Chad - \$21 million**

Announced: September 2023

Développement international Desjardins and BAASTE

<https://www.pm.gc.ca/en/news/backgrounders/2023/09/21/canada-supports-strong-ambitious-international-action-78th-session>

This project aims to enhance the conservation of biodiversity and ecosystems services in protected areas through nature-based solutions. It will strengthen women's ability to manage natural resources; enhance the adoption by women of productive nature-based solutions with biodiversity co-benefits; and enhance the adoption of gender-sensitive and climate-resilient management plans for protected areas.

**12. Nature-Based Climate Adaptation in the Guinean Forests of West Africa - \$25 Million**

Announced: September 2023

World University Service of Canada (WUSC) and Center for International Studies and Cooperation (CECI)

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This project aims to enhance the adoption of gender responsive and inclusive nature-based solutions for climate change adaptation in the Guinean forests of West Africa, specifically in Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, and Guinea by improving women's leadership in planning processes. This project will benefit biodiversity by increasing the restoration of degraded forests and key habitats, and it will increase gender-responsive investments with income potential for women. The project engages with a wide range of stakeholders to develop local and regional capacity to use evidence and integrate women and marginalized groups to prioritize locally relevant nature-based solutions to climate change adaptation.

**13. Scaling Urban-Nature-Based Solutions for climate Adaptation in Sub-Saharan Africa - \$28.7 Million**

Announced: September 2023

International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD)

<https://www.pm.gc.ca/en/news/backgrounders/2023/09/21/canada-supports-strong-ambitious-international-action-78th-session>

This project seeks to achieve enhanced community demand for gender-responsive nature-based solutions for climate adaptation through watershed conservation and restoration; increased adoption of gender-responsive nature-based solutions using watershed conservation and restoration practices to support flood control, upstream and downstream water security, gender equality and biodiversity protection; and enhanced inclusive and gender-responsive governance for the implementation of nature-based solutions for climate adaptation by municipal officials and local stakeholders in urban communities.

**14. Locally-led Indigenous Nature-Based Solutions for Climate Change Adaptation in Zimbabwe - \$15 Million**

Announced: September 2023

Mennonite Central Committee

<https://www.pm.gc.ca/en/news/backgrounders/2023/09/21/canada-supports-strong-ambitious-international-action-78th-session>

This project will lead to increased adoption of Indigenous-led and gender-responsive nature-based solutions for climate change adaptation. The project aims to reduce vulnerability and increase biodiversity within terrestrial ecosystems; and enhance Indigenous-led, nature-positive, conflict-sensitive and climate

resilient livelihood opportunities, particularly for women and girls, through sustainable use of biodiversity in the Mwenezi, Binga, and Gwanda districts.

**15. Nature-Positive Food Systems for Climate Change Adaptation - \$35.5 Million**

Announced: November 2023

Canadian Foodgrains Bank

<https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P011740001>

The project aims to improve low-carbon, climate-resilient economies in rural areas of Ethiopia, Kenya, Mozambique and Zimbabwe to enhance the well-being of communities and, particularly, women, girls and other marginalized groups. It will use nature-based solutions coupled with landscape-level restoration to address food insecurity and increasing threats to livelihoods. It also aims to increase the ability of targeted landscapes to absorb biophysical shocks and stresses caused by the increasingly disruptive effects of climate change.