

SEMINAR AGENDA CLIMATE FINANCE UNION FOR MEDITERRANEAN/UfM SECRETARIAT BARCELONA, 09 – 11 MARCH 2016

Objective

The objective of the seminar is to contribute to scale up financing of climate-related projects in the Southern and Eastern Mediterranean region by:

- Exploring current financial instruments and discussing how to better use them
- Exploring new financial mechanisms, especially market-based measures
- Improve (or stimulate the identification of) projects/initiatives/NAMAs to be brought to the attention of (the participating) Financial Institutions

Participating countries are invited to submit up to three (3) realistic project/initiative/NAMA proposals to help building the seminar on tangible examples and delivering concrete results.

Project/initiative/NAMA proposals should be submitted by Monday, 15th February and should be ranked from 1 to 3. In order to reflect the level of priority for the proposing country, proposal number 1 will be the first to be analyzed.

Target audience

Main target audience: Selected government officials from ClimaSouth countries involved in climate finance (Environment, Planning / Finance, line ministries such as Energy, Water, Agriculture, Transport, as per country priority); developers of significant mitigation and adaptation initiatives. Up to 4 participants per country can be nominated. Ministry of Finance/Planning and the Ministry responsible for Climate Change must be represented.

Day 1 – Project-based financial instruments and carbon pricing

TIME	ITEM	SPEAKER
09.00/09.30	Registration	
09.30/10.15	Opening, brief presentation of ClimaSouth and UfM, tour de table and key challenges on climate finance/NAMA	CS, UfM
10.15/11.00	Key outcomes of the Paris Conference (COP21) on climate finance - discussion	DG CLIMA, Martin Kaspar
11.00/11.30	Coffee break	
11.30/12.30	Recall of existing climate finance programs	CS, UNEP
12.30/13.00	Presentation of the EU Regional Facility for Climate Change	Lothar Schillak
13.00/14.00	Lunch break	
14.00/14.45	EU Instruments to support capacity building (Twinning, TAIEX, ...)	DG NEAR, Guillemette Vachey
14.45/15.30	Market based instruments: benefits and drawbacks, global state of play of carbon pricing - Part I	UfM, Nicolas Debaisieux

15.30/16.00	Coffee break	
16.00/17.30	Market based instruments: benefits and drawbacks, global state of play of carbon pricing - Part II	UfM, Nicolas Debaisieux

Day 2 – Capacity building

TIME	ITEM	SPEAKER
09.00/10.30	Supporting private sector investments	CMI/EIB/EBRD/CS
10.30/11.00	Coffee break	
11.00/11.30	Tour de table on expectations of countries in terms of capacity building for climate finance	
11.30/12.30	Point of view of IFIs in project preparation and best practices of financed projects	CMI/EIB/EBRD/CS
12.30/13.30	Lunch Break	
13.30/14.45	Breakout session (I). In each group 2 investment programs will be presented by country representatives. Financiers / investors will provide feedback on the investment programs, from 2 angles: attractiveness of the program for the institution, and ways to improve the program	CMI/EIB/EBRD/CS
14.45/15.15	Coffee break	
15.15/17.00	Breakout session (II). Countries work on improvement of the program presentation and on the identification of investment programs that can match their needs	CS/EIB

Day 3 – Capacity building

TIME	ITEM	SPEAKER
09.00/09.30	Information on the regional finance cooperation committee for climate action in the Mediterranean	UfM, Nicolas Debaisieux
09.30/11.00	Breakout session (II). In each group 1 or 2 investment programs will be presented by country representatives. Financiers / investors will provide feedback on the investment programs, from 2 angles: attractiveness of the program for the institution, and ways to improve the program	CS/IFIs
11:00/11:30	Coffee break	
11:30/13:00	Breakout session (III). In each group 3 or 4 investment programs will be presented by country representatives. Financiers / investors will provide feedback on the investment programs, from 2 angles: attractiveness of the program for the institution, and ways to improve the program. This will be shorter than session 1 and 2, and with a switch in the financier/investors to a new group	ClimaSouth/IFIs
13.00/14.15	Lunch break	
14:15/16:00	Plenary: presentation of results of breakout sessions and improvements to proposals presented	ClimaSouth/IFIs
16.00/16.15	Wrap up and closing of the seminar	ClimaSouth/UfM