

Capacity Building related to Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEA) in ACP Countries

Funded by the European Commission and Implemented through UNEP

Program Summary

- Program Title:** Capacity Building related to Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEA) in ACP Countries
- Program duration:** Four years
- Overall Objective:** To improve the environmental situation of the ACP countries in line with MDG Goal No.7, ensuring environmental sustainability in line with the international commitments taken at the national levels through the signature of the MEAs.
- Purpose:** To enhance capacity of ACP countries to comply with MEAs and related commitments and thereby improve their management of the environmental and natural resources therein.
- Results:**
- 1: Enhancement of regional, sub-regional and national capacity related to MEA implementation.
 - 2: Countries equipped with tools and skills for integrating UNCCD into national and sub-national programmatic frameworks.
 - 3: Strengthening capacity in participating countries to meet obligations under the MEAs in the fields of chemicals and wastes such as the Rotterdam, Stockholm and Basel Convention.
 - 4: Existing obsolete pesticide stocks eliminated and the opportunities for reduction of reliance on synthetic chemical pesticides explored.

Programme Components

- Component 1: Supporting regional MEA hubs
- Component 2: Supporting the implementation of specific MEAs
- UNFCCC and Kyoto Protocol - particularly in relation to the Clean Development Mechanism
 - UNCCD – Mainstreaming and resource mobilization
 - Basel, Stockholm and Rotterdam Conventions – particularly related to the Quick Start Program and Clean up of obsolete chemicals Programme.

Programme Budget Summary

Components and thematic areas	Implementing agency	Budget (Euros)
Component 1 – Allocation for 3 ACP regions and including UNEP coordination costs	UNEP	6.5 Million
Pacific Hub	SPREP	1.3 Million
Component 2		
UNFCCC – Clean Development Mechanism	UNEP	4.35 Million
UNCCD – Mainstreaming and Resource Mobilization	UNCCD Global Mechanism	3.25 Million
Quick Start Programme	UNEP	2.15 Million
Clean up of Obsolete Pesticides	FAO	4.9 Million
Program Evaluation	UNEP	0.2 Million
Audit	UNEP	0.1 Million
Total Programme Budget		21.45 Million

Note:

Pacific ACP States will benefit from the funding through the Pacific Hub as well as through activities implemented under the different thematic areas in Component 2.

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