

#### **WORKING GROUP**

# **FINANCE**



Supporting the development of national and subnational finance and funding strategies for LEDS

The Low Emission Development Strategies Global Partnership (LEDS GP) Finance Working Group provides technical assistance, matchmaking, training and thought leadership on financing strategies and approaches. The Climate and Development Knowledge Network (CDKN), the United States Department of Energy's National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), the Energy Research Centre of the Netherlands (ECN), and the Ministry of Planning and Investment of Viet Nam lead the activities of this Working Group. Working Group members consist of a global representation of governments, international development organizations, and the private sector, who together collaboratively implement the activities.

# THE LEDS FINANCE CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK

The LEDS Finance Conceptual Framework brings together the lessons learned and expertise from leading climate-finance organizations to provide a robust, common understanding of:

- The concept of and guiding principles for LEDS finance
- Various mechanisms for LEDS finance
- Approaches to spur the financing of national and sub-national LEDS actions, considering the local context
- The major challenges currently facing countries in accessing financing, funding and possible solutions.

## **Priority Areas:**

- Fiscal measures and their impact on LEDS financing
- Mobilizing private finance for LEDS
- Access to international finance

# FINANCE WORKING GROUP IN ACTION

#### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND MATCHMAKING

Expert assistance on finance is available to developing country government agencies preparing and implementing LEDS, and to technical institutes supporting these agencies. Inquiries should be related to the development of LEDS financing strategies and programs. The team will provide no-cost consultations via telephone and email to:

- Review your draft financing strategies
- Provide information on financing, investment and funding options
- Advise on policies and measures for mobilizing investment
- Identify opportunities and sources for capacity building on LEDS finance
- Support matchmaking with potential funders and offer guidance on finance proposals, such as those to the Green Climate Fund

Our network of expert advisers includes members of the Working Group itself, as well as individuals from other LEDS organizations. For more information about this activity or to request assistance, visit: http://ledsgp.org/working-groups/finance/.

#### COLLABORATION WITH THE REGIONAL PLATFORMS

The finance Working Group will support the regional platforms in Latin America and the Caribbean, Africa, and Asia by lending its expertise and network to support technical assistance requests and matchmaking and to help design and implement in-person and webbased trainings. The Working Group may also work with the regional platforms to develop proposals for additional, more in-depth services. For example, the Working Group is delivering training sessions on fiscal instruments and accessing climate finance during the LEDS Latin American and the Caribbean annual event, as well as a joint webinar for the region. The Working Group will also collaborate with the Africa LEDS Partnership to develop and document and make available to all Africa LEDS Partnership members examples of two good cases of how governments are developing national LEDS or green growth finance facilities. The Working Group will also develop an investor matchmaking portal for African countries.

#### OTHER KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTS

The working group will also develop case studies and webinars, on topics such as on domestic government fiscal instruments, attracting private investment for green growth, and accessing international public finance such as through the NAMA Facility and Green Climate Fund (GCF).

## **⇒**JOIN US

The Finance Working Group is open to all LEDS finance practitioners and country teams. Please join us in this effort by contacting Nguyen Trinh (Government of Viet Nam) at: trinh4mpi@gmail.com or Donald Pols (ECN) at: pols@ecn.nl

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The Low Emission Development Strategies (LEDS) Global Partnership was founded in 2011 to enhance coordination, information exchange, and cooperation among countries and international programs working to advance low emission, climate-resilient growth. The LEDS Global Partnership currently brings together LEDS leaders and practitioners from more than 160 countries and international institutions through innovative peer learning and collaboration forums and networks. For the full list of participants and more information on partnership activities, see: www.ledsgp.org | Email: secretariat@ledsgp.org.

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