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Finance Working Group

Raising finance is a challenge that cuts across all aspects of low emission development strategies (LEDS) and actions. As countries look towards implementing their LEDS and Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), they will need to secure substantial finance that goes well beyond that available through multilateral climate funds or international sources. Developing countries will also need to leverage domestic funds and private sector flows to close the gap.

The Low Emission Development Strategies Global Partnership (LEDS GP) Finance Working Group works to help members in this crucial area.

Priority areas:

- Mobilizing investment in LEDS and NDCs: Providing technical and advisory support to early movers to identify investment opportunities in LEDS and NDCs, and make progress on building an investment pathway.
- Private sector engagement: Identifying ways to increase private sector involvement and investment in LEDS and NDCs through stakeholder engagement and practical public private sector dialogues to build a strong enabling environment for investment.
- Knowledge support and navigation:
 Facilitating peer learning from investment-oriented work in the Partnership and helping members to navigate the huge amount of information available on LEDS finance by curating resources, delivering webinars, and enhancing access to new knowledge products.





The Finance Working Group has more than 600 members across the world, including government officials, consultants and advisors, representatives of international and regional organizations, and the private sector.

The Working Group focuses on supporting members in financing their LEDS and NDCs by providing webinars, training sessions at LEDS GP regional events, guidance on the best finance resources and tools, case studies, assistance through the Remote Expert Assistance on LEDS (REAL) service, and by developing projects to support early movers in LEDS finance.

Technical support

The LEDS GP REAL service supports requests from developing country LEDS teams, including government agencies and consultants, technical institutions, and non-governmental organizations that work directly with country governments to plan and implement their LEDS.

The Finance Working Group provides targeted remote expert assistance on LEDS to governments upon request, for up to 40 hours of an expert's time. In particular, the Finance Working Group can offer support on developing LEDS finance plans, identifying bankable projects, such as Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions (NAMAs), and understanding and accessing international climate finance including the Green Climate Fund.

Spotlight project: LEDS Finance resource guide

Request: Members have told the Finance Working Group that it is difficult and time consuming find the most appropriate resources to help them in their work on LEDS finance. They need an up-to-date resource containing all the relevant finance-related information.

Actions taken: The Finance Working Group is responding by developing an online resource that will help members to access relevant resources for specific LEDS finance topics. We have been



gathering and reviewing resources, including both introductory and more detailed reports and case studies, and will provide links to these using a simple and intuitive framework. The resource will be refined over time following member feedback and as new resources become available, while still aiming to be concise and easy to use. The resource guide will launch online in late 2016 on the LEDS GP website.

Join us

The Finance Working Group is open to all LEDS finance practitioners and country teams. Please join our efforts by contacting the Working Group at: finance@ledsgp.org

For more information about the Working Group, please visit: www.ledsgp.org/working-groups/finance/

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