

SREP Competitive Set Aside

BACKGROUND, CRITERIA, PROCEDURES & TIMELINE

SREP Pilot Countries Meeting
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Background



- Sub-Committee agreed in October 2012 to set aside resources for allocation on a competitive basis to:
 - ✓ Private sector clients working through MDB private sector arms
 - ✓ Public sector entities which would in term channel all funds to private sector recipients (competitive subsidies, PPPs, results-based financing)
 - ✓ Minimum 60% of the set aside resources be allocated to the private sector clients through MDB private sector arms
 - ✓ Eligible countries: first six pilot countries (Ethiopia, Honduras, Kenya, Maldives, Mali, Nepal)
 - ✓ Available resources for the set aside: USD 90 million

Ability to advance SREP program objectives, principles, and investment criteria, with the following additional criteria:

- Alignment with the objective of the country investment plans
- Level of innovation proposed, such as innovative project approaches and financing models, while focusing on proven technologies
- Demonstration of private sector support and engagement
- Projects expected to be approved by MDBs and implementation would begin within 12 months or shorter
- Progress that has been achieved in implementing other projects under the endorsed investment plan

Procedures



- Pilot countries and MDBs develop project concepts.
- MDBs inform the pilot country focal point with a brief description of the concept.
- MDBs submit project concepts to the CIF AU.
- Group of experts review and prioritizes project concepts.
- CIF AU submits report of the experts to the Sub-Committee.
- MDBs seek endorsement on a no-objection basis from the pilot country focal point.

Timeline



Now until August 15

- ✓ MDBs and pilot countries develop project concepts.

June

- ✓ CIF AU and MDB Committee select four experts.

September 16-19

- ✓ Experts meet to review and shortlist concepts.

October 1

- ✓ CIF AU submits experts' report to the Sub-Committee.

Week of October 28

- ✓ Sub-Committee reviews and selects shortlisted concepts.

Access to Competitive Funding

FOR INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS THAT ENGAGE THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN THE SREP

Under the Program for Scaling Up Renewable Energy in Low Income Countries (SREP), USD 90 million in concessional funds have been set aside to contribute to financing for innovative programs and projects in six pilot countries that engage the private sector in piloting and demonstrating the economic, social and environmental viability of low carbon development pathways in the energy sector by creating new economic opportunities and increasing energy access through the use of renewable energy. Proposals for utilizing these funds will be reviewed and selected on a competitive basis by the SREP Sub-Committee, taking into account recommendations of an expert group. The Sub-Committee will agree to the first round of selection of concepts for further development in November 2013.

Proposals eligible for financing under the SREP set-aside should be aligned with the objectives of the endorsed Investment Plans of the first six SREP pilot countries: Ethiopia, Honduras, Kenya, Maldives, Mali and Nepal. Proposals should advance the SREP objectives (see [SREP design document](#)). Programs and projects will be implemented through one of the CIF partners: the African Development Bank, the Asian Development Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank and the World Bank Group, including the International Finance Cooperation. The following criteria will be considered, in addition to the above mentioned objectives, to review innovative programs and projects:

- level of innovation proposed, such as innovative project approaches and financing models, while focusing on proven technologies;
- demonstration of private sector support and engagement;

RESOURCES



Procedures for allocating SREP Resources on a Competitive Basis from a Set Aside.



Timeline for accessing resources under SREP Set-Aside.



Downloading common format to be used to present project concepts for consideration.

Questions / Comments



Plenary Discussion



What project ideas for the SREP Competitive Set Aside have government, private sector, or MDBs discussed in your countries?