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# UNDP and the GEF – delivering climate finance

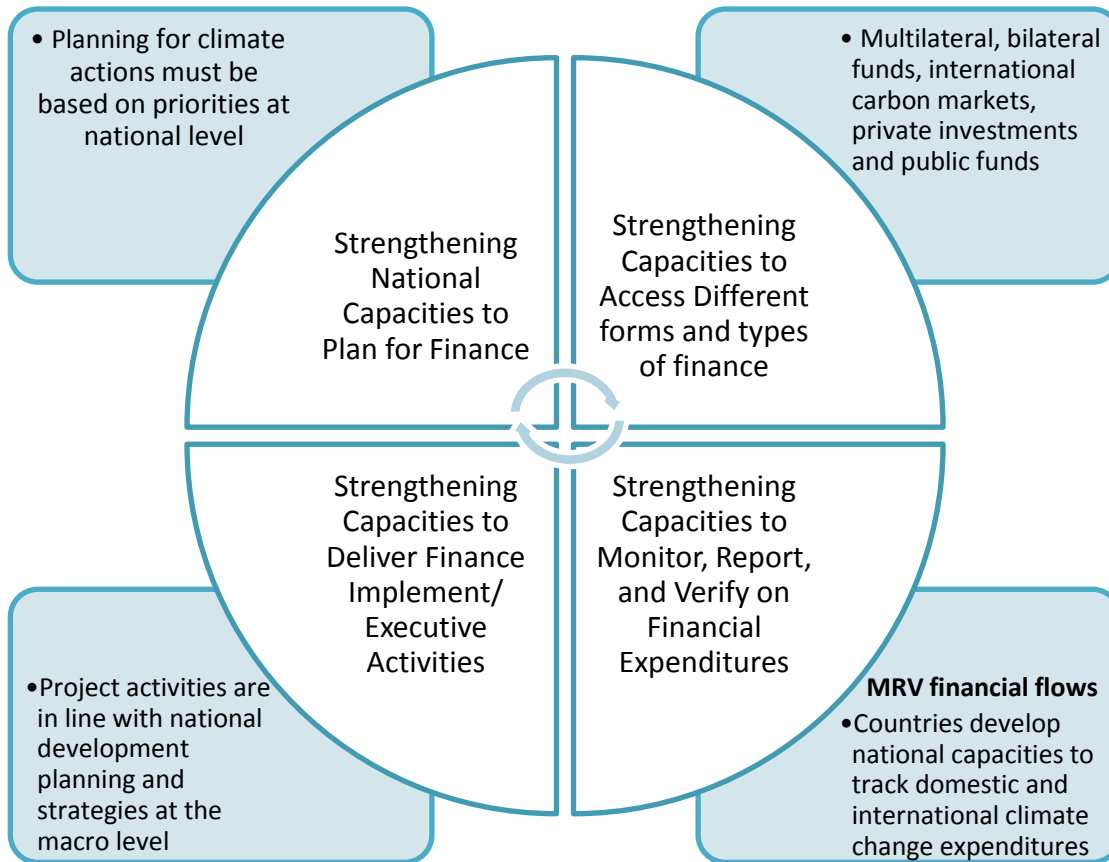
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# UNDP: Leveraging Climate Finance for Sustainable Future



## Climate Finance and International Aviation

- UNDP experience in 177 countries, over 20 years
- Enhance the technical support provided to States
- Implementing agency GEF
- **UNDP can support the identification of policy, finance, and technical support tools to support the greening of the aviation sector**





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# UNDP and the Global Environment Facility (GEF)

- The GEF is the main financing mechanism for the Rio conventions addressing global environmental challenges.
- Since its creation in 1992, the GEF has invested more than \$4 billion in climate change projects. This funding has been disbursed in over 3,000 projects across 165 countries.
- UNDP is one of the main implementing agencies of the GEF, responsible for delivering over \$3 billion of GEF resources, of which over \$1 billion are for climate change mitigation.





# Accessing GEF resources at the national level (I)

- Projects are implemented at the national, regional, and global level. The current partnership with ICAO is a global project.
- For national projects, countries are assigned a resource amount for a GEF 4-year cycle through the System of Transparent Allocation of Resources (STAR). The current GEF 6 cycle runs from July 2014 – June 2018.
- Each country has a GEF Operational Focal Point (OFP) that is responsible for ensuring that projects respond to national priorities. All projects must be endorsed by the OFP.





## Accessing GEF resources at the national level (II)

- There is no specific GEF programming window for aviation; however, such projects may be eligible in the fields of renewable energy, energy efficiency, technology transfer, and transport (including biofuels). The strategy and eligibility criteria for the GEF-6 cycle are available at [www.thegef.org](http://www.thegef.org).
- All national GEF projects are implemented through GEF-approved *implementing* agencies (UNDP, UNEP, WB, IADB, UNIDO, among others) and *executed* by a national entity (Government or NGO)



- In order to consider developing a national aviation project with the GEF, a country must ensure that;
  - a. it has completed a National Action Plan, validated by ICAO
  - b. the GEF Operational Focal Point will endorse the allocation of national STAR resources to the project, and
  - c. it partners with a GEF Implementing Agency
- For further information on the GEF in your country please contact the GEF Focal Point (available at [http://www.thegef.org/gef/focal\\_points\\_list](http://www.thegef.org/gef/focal_points_list) )
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