

THE ENVIROMENTAL AND SOCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM: ESP AND GENDER POLICY

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ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Integrating in all decision making and fund operations

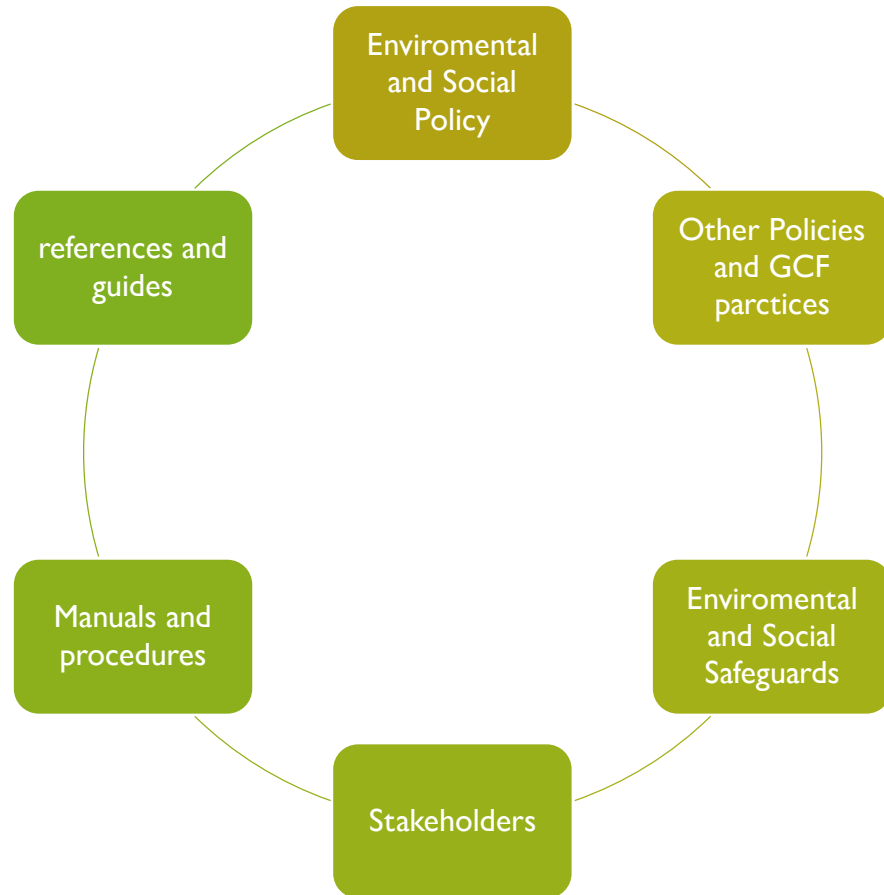
in order to "do good" and "do no harm".

Integrating environmental and social sustainability

emphasis on stakeholder participation

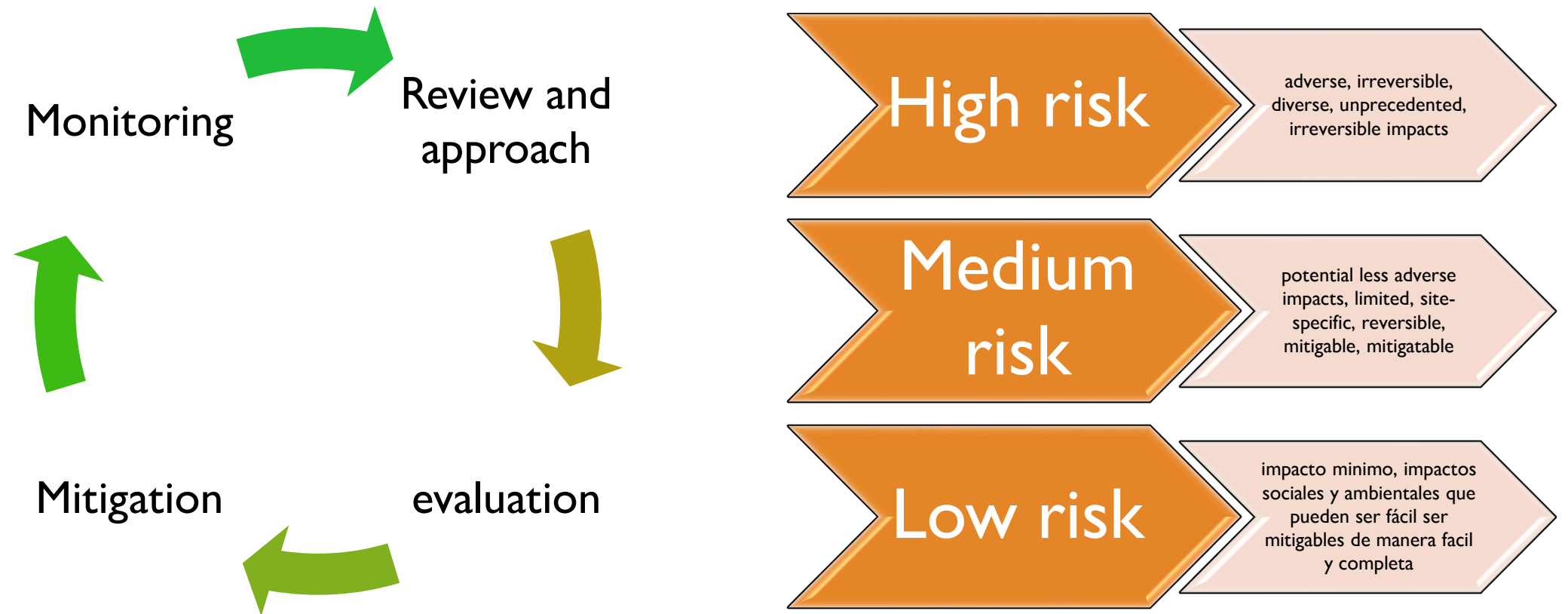
supported by policies, standards and processes.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



- Environmental and social policy.
- Other GCF policies:
Indigenous peoples policy and gender policy.
- Environmental and social safeguards

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ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS

- The GCF adopted as interim Environmental and Social Safeguards (ESS) the performance standards of the International Finance Corporation (IFC), part of the World Bank Group (GCF, 2019).



THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL POLICY

Sets the principles and requirement to ensure that environmental and social risks are minimized, avoided or managed, in the overall outcomes of all GCF financed activities.

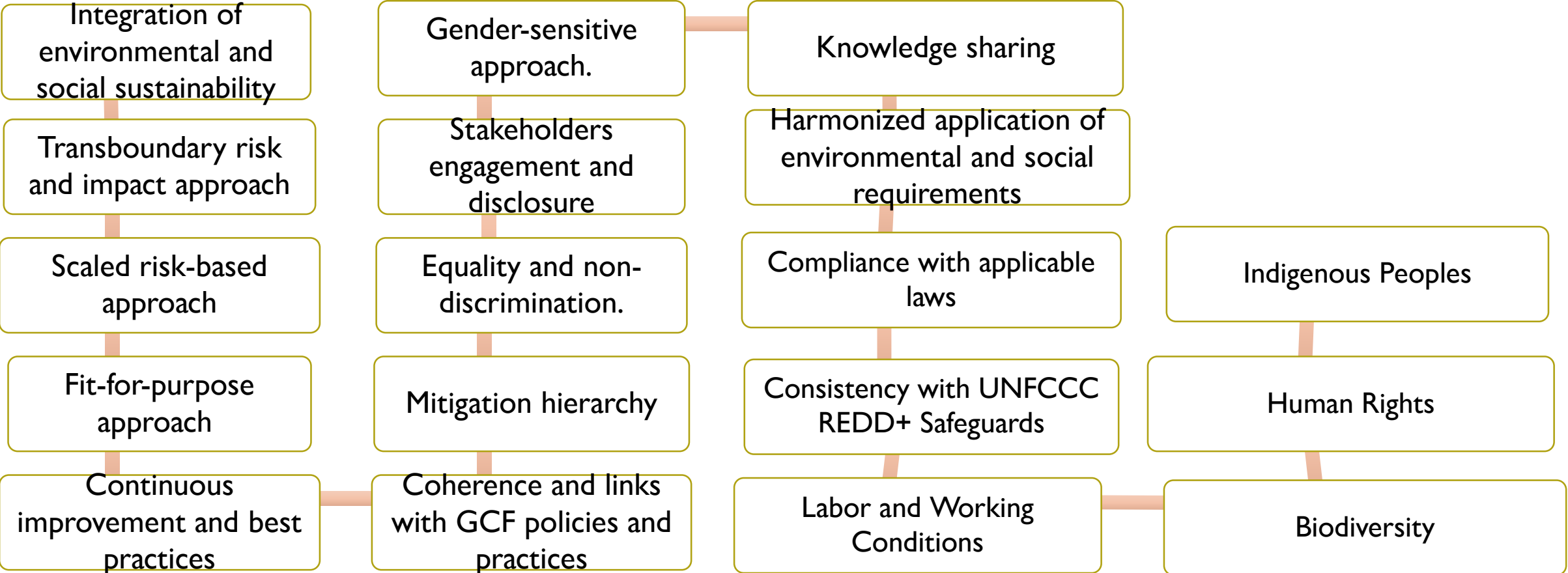
an overarching policy that is consistent and linked with the relevant policies and practices of GCF (i.e. accreditation, monitoring and accountability, redress, information disclosure, gender, and indigenous peoples), etc.

Scope of application

- ESP applies to all GCF-financed activities whether these are programmes, projects and subprojects , whether these are delivered by public and private sector entities or these are grants, concessional loans, guarantees or equity investments



GUIDING PRINCIPLES



LEVELS OF APPLICATIONS AND RESPONSABILITIES OF THE GCF



Facilities and operations



Projects and programmes



Policies



Gender and Climate Change

**UNDERLYING
INEQUALITIES**



GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE



DIFFERENTIATED
IMPACT ON CC



**Livelihoods sensitive
to CC**



**CONTRIBUTIONS AS
AGENT OF CHANGE**

CLIMATE FINANCE AND GENDER

The Cancun Agreement

- Gender equality and women's effective participation important for climate responses
- Especially adaptation
- climate finance decisions must be guided by recognition of women's rights as inalienable human rights

Paris Agreement

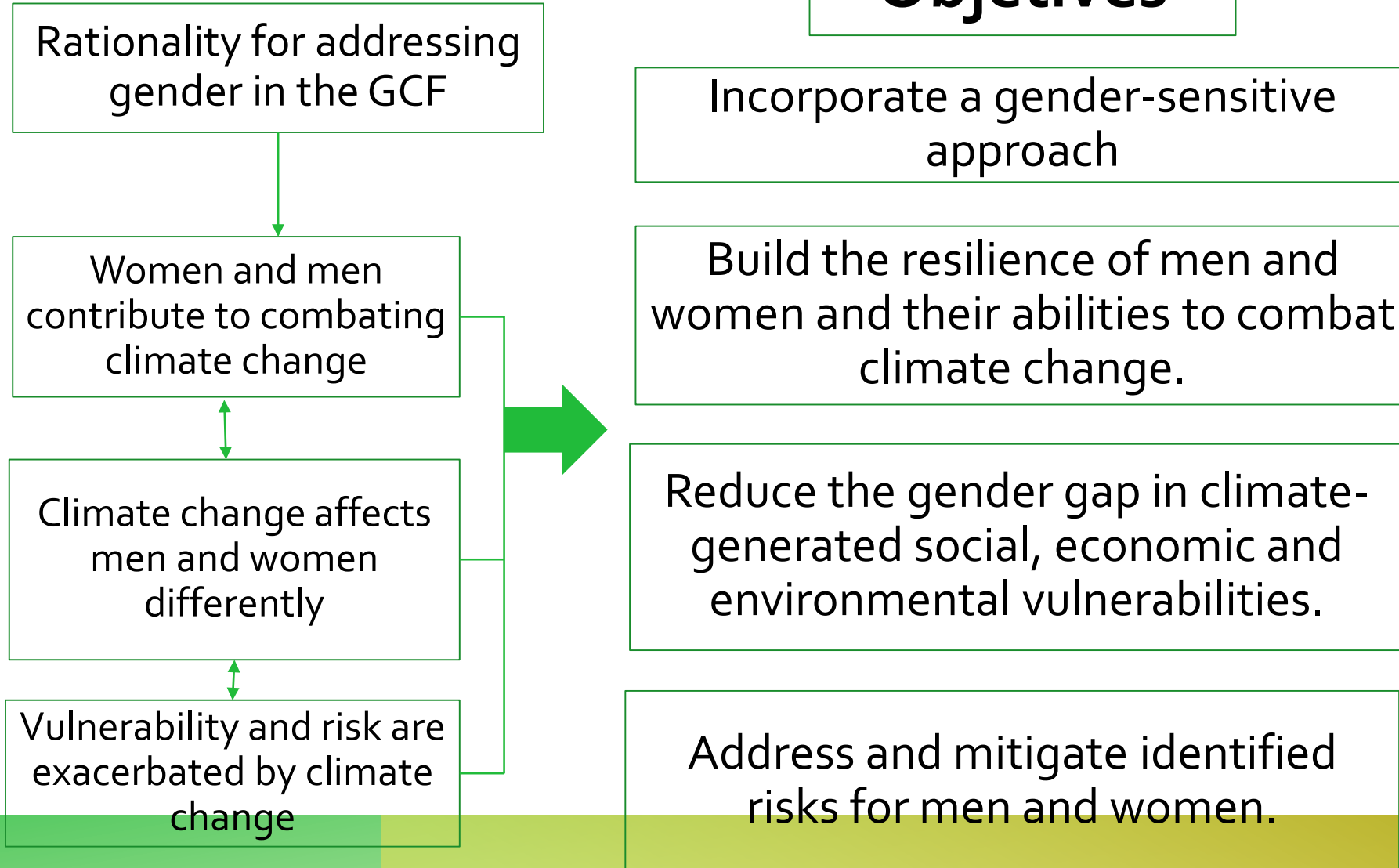
- gender equality and women's empowerment as a core principle in the preamble
- calls for gender-sensitive adaptation and capacity building efforts, but does not integrate gender-specific language in its mitigation, technology or finance section.

GENDER IN THE GREEN CLIMATE FUND

- Green Climate Fund, the world's largest multilateral climate fund
- mandate to integrate a gender perspective from the outset into its policy frameworks and funding operations
 - Governing instrument of the Fund
 - Reference to gender and women in the Fund's governance and operations
 - staff and board of directors
- Integration into the GCF accreditation approach by requiring GCF accredited entities to have their own gender policies or action plans.
- capacity and track record of implementation in accordance with the GCF gender policy.

GENDER POLICY – OBJECTIVES AND RACIONALITY

Objetives



GENDER IN THE GCF

- *Main processes where gender issues are reviewed:*
 - *Accreditation - for competence, capacity and existence of gender policy.*
 - *Project Preparation Fund (PPF) - review of proposals for gender mainstreaming.*
 - *Evaluation of funding proposal: Internal practices.*
 - *Implementation: Annual performance reports*
 - *Readiness activities: ensure support for readiness to address gender-related capacity gaps or issues*

GENDER REQUIREMENTS IN FINANCING PROPOSALS

Central American Bank for Economic Integration

Productive Investment Initiative for Adaptation to Climate Change
Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama and
Dominican Republic

Gender Assessment

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- . **Gender Evaluation**
- Analysis of how differences in:
 - Norms, roles, power structures, etc. affect women and men in sectors or contexts.
 - Identify why gender inequalities exist
- Considerations:
 - Evidence gathering, including stakeholder engagement.
 - Conducting the analysis

GENDER REQUIREMENTS IN THE FINANCING PROPOSALS

- **Gender Action Plan**

- Ensure that the project is able to effectively address the identified gender issues:
 - Ensure participation of relevant stakeholders.
 - Ensure benefits, responding to needs/priorities.
 - Gender-related actions monitored and evaluated for impact (includes baseline, target, indicators).
- Ensure that budget is available to implement the action plan.
 - Ensure that gender experts are available throughout the implementation of the action plan.

Annex 16b Gender Action Plan

“Building livelihood resilience to climate change in the upper basins of Guatemala’s highlands”

Impact Statement: Climate impacts on the hydrological cycle in the Highlands of Guatemala, compounded by inappropriate land use, increasingly affect the landscape’s infiltration capacity and water availability, erosion control, sediment retention and other water-basin related ecosystem services. Therefore, the project’s overarching objective is to reduce the impacts of climate change on the hydrological cycle in target watersheds through improved land use practices. This will lead to improved water recharge and productivity and contribute to the population’s and ecosystem’s increased resilience to climate change. Expected total number of direct and indirect beneficiaries (reduced vulnerability or increased resilience), are:

- 132,000 of vulnerable households, local organizations and technicians at local level using totally or partially climate related tools, information and practices (30% women)
- 30,000 people benefit from capacity building (at least 30% women) and incentives for forest conservation in strategic water catchments (10% women)
- At least 50,000 people benefit from the grant facility (30% women)
- 132,000 people benefit from a participatory early warning system for agricultural practices and water management (30% women)
- 7,500 hectares of agroforestry systems supporting water recharge and productivity
- 5,000 hectares of forest restored and maintained to provide hydrological services

As an underlying approach, all project activities will be developed hand in hand with MARN Gender Unit, Municipal Gender Offices and local women organizations, this will ensure sustainability and long-term impact of gender affirmative actions.

Outcome statement: Increased resilience to climate change of at least 15,000 women in project area through improvement of their capacities to access early warning system for agricultural/agroforestry practices and water management, climate smart agriculture and agroforestry practices and/or to grant facility.

Activities	Indicators and targets	Timelines	Responsibilities
Output 1: Integrated climate smart watershed management			
(i) Improve local capacities of woman for climate action and watershed management with special focus in female-headed households	• 15,000 women in project area, at least 50% of women-headed households surveyed.	Start date Year 1 Q3 End date Year 7 Q3	EE and Execution partners
(ii) Promote women access to government forestry and agroforestry incentives		Start date	EE & Execution

Importance of integration Indigenous Peoples Issues in the Environmental and Social and Gender Policies





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