



Primer Regional Platforms for Climate Projects (RPCP)

The Regional Platforms for Climate Projects (RPCP) aim to advance investable pipelines of projects in developing countries

Origin:	2022 UN Deputy Secretary General & COP27 Climate Champion collaboration
Purpose:	Supporting regional ecosystems in advancing tangible opportunities & systemic issues for advancing project pipelines
Geographic scope:	Africa, LAC, Europe, Arab region
Thematic scope:	SDGs and climate including mitigation, adaptation & nature
Activities:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">Curating regional shortlists of projectsSupporting project developers in reaching financiersEngaging regional-level stakeholders on systemic challenges and practical projectsCapacity-building for project developers and financial institutions

Who is involved?

- ❖ **Leadership:** Co-led by the
 - Climate Champions &
 - UN Regional Commissions, with support of the COP27 & COP28 Presidencies, & COP29 Champion
- ❖ **Target users:**
 - Project developers
 - Financiers
 - Policymakers (parties to the Paris Agreement)
- ❖ **Partners:**
 - 5 UN regional commissions: guide on regional priorities, engage UN Member states
 - 2 Technical implementation partners: shortlist projects, assist project developers
 - Financiers and funds: consider investment opportunities
 - Collaboration partners: platforms, accelerators, convenors giving visibility to projects

Activities

a) Curating regional shortlists of projects

- ❖ Initial Scoping and Research → Project Identification → Screening and Evaluation → Shortlisting → Validation & Endorsement → Documentation & Communication

b) Supporting project developers in reaching financiers

- ❖ Understanding Developer Needs → Identifying Suitable Financiers → Building Financial Cases → Facilitating Introductions & Meetings → Negotiation & Follow-Up → Closing & Monitoring

c) Engaging regional-level stakeholders on systemic challenges & practical projects

- ❖ Stakeholder Mapping & Analysis → Organizing Engagement Platforms → Facilitating Dialogue & Collaboration → Identifying Practical Solutions → Developing Action Plans → Monitoring & Reporting

d) Capacity-building for project developers & financial institutions

- ❖ Needs Assessment → Development → Resource Mobilization → Delivery → Evaluation & Feedback → Ongoing Support & Development

Successes to date

Practical outputs

- ❖ 5 regional shortlists of projects (63 in total) for financiers considering investment opportunities
- ❖ Practical support to project developers: visibility, financing factsheet, technical assistance database
- ❖ 200 + organizations participated in regional forums and events focused on projects

Project developers and financial institutions

- ❖ \$1.9 billion raised by 19 climate projects helping lower and middle income countries cut emissions and adapt to the impacts of global warming. NDC Partnership Awards.

Parties to the Paris Agreement

- ❖ Tangible investment opportunity case studies featured in UNFCCC meetings
- ❖ COP28 enabling environment convenings featuring project developers

2030 Climate Finance Framework (Nick Stern, Vera Songwe)

- ❖ Recommended priority actions include advancing project pipelines and enabling environment

Africa regional platform example

Continued project support has been provided through three main avenues

-  Circulation of shortlists and 1-on-1 investor matchmaking
-  Project showcases at regional events & forums
-  Light-touch project investor readiness support

15+
Speakers & experts

7
projects showcased at events

COP 28
Dubai, Dec 2023

4
projects showcased at events

2
projects featured in deal rooms

Africa Climate Summit
Nairobi, Sept 2023

Africa Regional Roundtable
Abidjan, Jun 2023

6
project pitches

30+
investor organizations

>130
participants



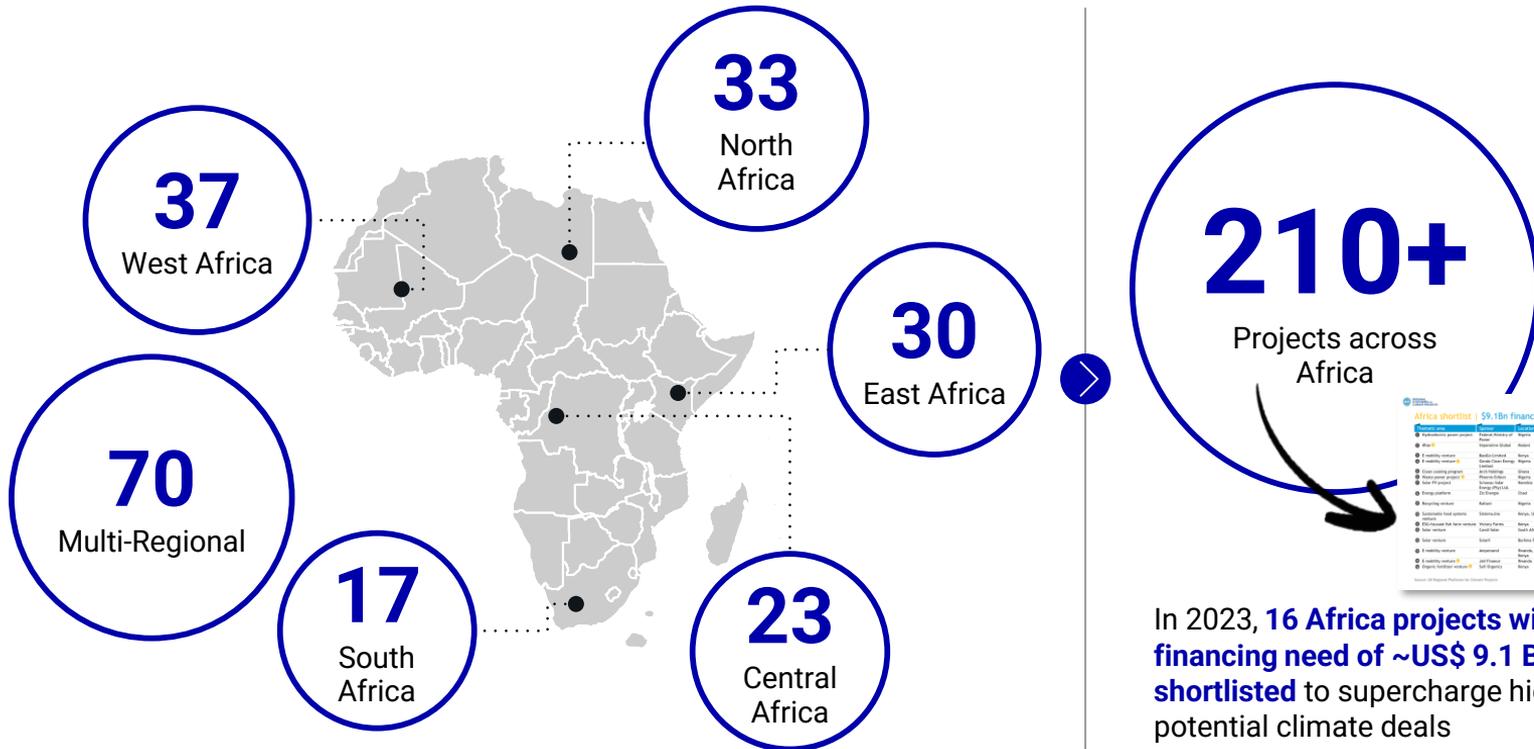
4
projects showcased

>300
participants

Green Climate Fund Private Investment for Climate Conference
Nairobi, Sept 2023

Note: Depth of support dependent on project engagement and investor feedback

Through our work in Africa alone we identified 210+ projects within the pipeline, with relatively even distribution across sub-regions & several multi-regional initiatives



Africa shortlist | \$9.1Bn financing required across various thematic areas

Project Name	Country	Financing Need (US\$ Bn)	Thematic Area
Algeria	Algeria	1.0	Renewable Energy
Angola	Angola	1.0	Renewable Energy
Botswana	Botswana	1.0	Renewable Energy
Burkina Faso	Burkina Faso	1.0	Renewable Energy
Burundi	Burundi	1.0	Renewable Energy
Cameroon	Cameroon	1.0	Renewable Energy
Chad	Chad	1.0	Renewable Energy
Cote d'Ivoire	Cote d'Ivoire	1.0	Renewable Energy
DRC	DRC	1.0	Renewable Energy
Egypt	Egypt	1.0	Renewable Energy
Ethiopia	Ethiopia	1.0	Renewable Energy
Ghana	Ghana	1.0	Renewable Energy
Guinea	Guinea	1.0	Renewable Energy
Kenya	Kenya	1.0	Renewable Energy
Madagascar	Madagascar	1.0	Renewable Energy
Mali	Mali	1.0	Renewable Energy
Morocco	Morocco	1.0	Renewable Energy
Mozambique	Mozambique	1.0	Renewable Energy
Niger	Niger	1.0	Renewable Energy
Nigeria	Nigeria	1.0	Renewable Energy
Rwanda	Rwanda	1.0	Renewable Energy
Senegal	Senegal	1.0	Renewable Energy
South Africa	South Africa	1.0	Renewable Energy
Tanzania	Tanzania	1.0	Renewable Energy
Togo	Togo	1.0	Renewable Energy
Tunisia	Tunisia	1.0	Renewable Energy
Zambia	Zambia	1.0	Renewable Energy
Zimbabwe	Zimbabwe	1.0	Renewable Energy

In 2023, 16 Africa projects with financing need of ~US\$ 9.1 Bn shortlisted to supercharge highest potential climate deals

Africa project example: Schonau Solar Energy

Merchant, utility-scale renewable energy for SADC region

Pieter Rossouw

Director



Project location



Project overview

Plant size	50 MW / 72 MWh (Phase 1)
Technology	Solar PV + BESS
Annual production	127.5 GWh (Phase 1) (sufficient to power 17k households)
Off take	Southern Africa Power Pool Markets
Operational	Q2 2026
Latest Milestone	SAPP Membership Conclusion of technical studies
Current activities	Fundraising Conclude grid connection agreements

Impact

- **Social impact**
Job creation & technical skills transfer
- **Economic impact**
Renewables will reduce electricity cost on SAPP
Stimulate economic growth through greater availability of energy
- **Sustainability impact**
Based on full plant size of 125 MW, GHG emissions reduction across the SAPP grid of 335 k tCO₂e annually*, 1.52 Mn tCO₂e by 2030*.
- **Future Growth Projection**
Increase in plant size to 125 MW / 180 MWh

Project financing

- **Project Value**
USD 63 Mn (Phase 1)
- **Financing structure**
Information available on request
- **Financing raised to date**
Information available on request
- **Investor categories**
Information available on request
- **Key project drivers**
 - Low cost of energy from renewables
 - World's second highest solar resource
 - World-class Namibian infrastructure
 - Namibian regulatory framework
 - Regional energy deficit
- **Funds outstanding**
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