CWFPF ROUNDTABLE MEETING

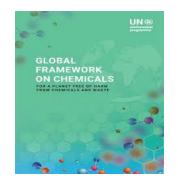
ADB's Environment Action Plan Priorities: Pollution Reduction and Circular Economy Pillar

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ADB Environment Action Plan: Scaling Nature and Environment Investments



BIODIVERSITY LOSS and ECOSYSTEM DEGRADATION

POLLUTION

CLIMATE CHANGE

MDB Joint Statement :: on Nature :: 0

Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

Multilateral Environmental Agreements

Paris Climate Agreement

INCREASE NATURE-POSITIVE INVESTMENTS

MAINSTREAM NATURE &
ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY IN
SECTOR INVESTMENTS

BIODIVERSITY & ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT



OCEAN & COASTAL MANAGEMENT



TERRESTRIAL ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT

POLLUTION CONTROL & CIRCULAR ECONOMY



AIR QUALITY



CIRCULAR ECONOMY

NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS



NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS/ GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE



ENVIRONMENT FINANCE & GOVERNANCE



ADB and Global Environment Facility (GEF)



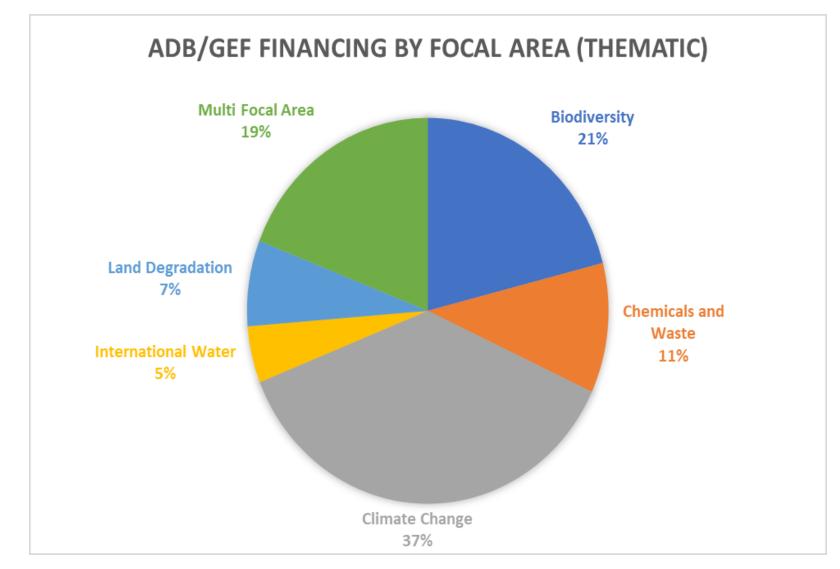




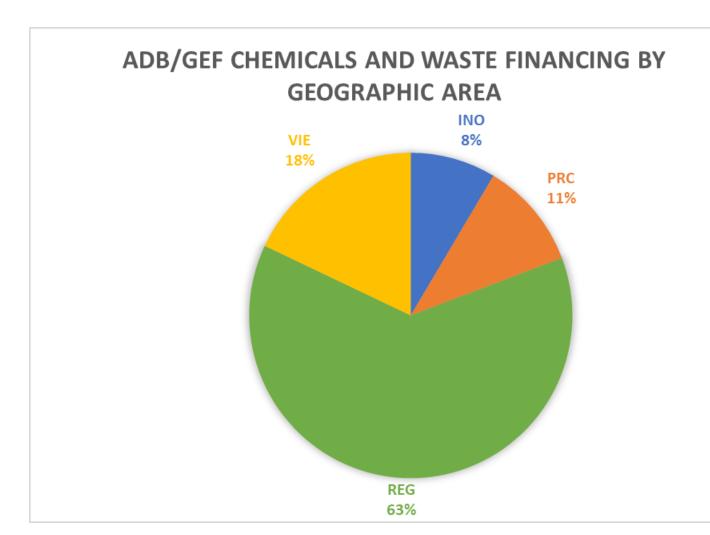
- Longest running financial partnership within ADB (since 2002)
- Strong alignment between GEF programming directions and ADB's Strategy 2030 operational priorities
- Links to ADB ambitions in climate and environment importance of tackling climate change, building climate and disaster resilience, and enhancing environmental sustainability
- Blending ADB's financial resources with GEF grant resources provides substantial opportunities for enhancing local and <u>global</u> <u>environmental benefits</u> (GEBs)
- For ADB, GEF resources are strategic, catalytic and enabling.
 About \$20 million is leveraged by ADB for every \$1 million provided by the GEF
- Relationship guided by Financial Procedures Agreement (FPA)
 with several amendments

Multilateral Chemicals and Wastes Conventions

CONVENTION	FOCUS	KEY MECHANISM	EXAMPLE SUBSTANCES	.	WHY IT MATTERS
BASEL CONVENTION	Transboundary movement of hazardous wastes and disposal	Requires prior informed consent before hazardous wastes can be exported, especially from developed to developing countries.	Hazardous wastes (e.g., toxic industrial waste, e-waste)		Prevents "toxic waste dumping" and strengthens environmentally sound waste management practices.
ROTTERDAM CONVENTION	International trade of certain hazardous chemicals and pesticides	Prior Informed Consent (PIC) procedure – exporting countries must inform and get consent from importing countries before shipping listed hazardous chemicals.	Aldrin, Chlordane, certain pesticides, industrial chemicals		Gives countries the right to refuse imports of hazardous substances they cannot manage safely.
STOCKHOLM	Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) – elimination/restriction	Global action on banned/restricted POPs (e.g., DDT, PCBs, dioxins, PFOS/PFOA added later).	DDT, PCBs, Dioxins, PFOS, PFOA		POPs travel long distances and affect even regions where they are not produced or used (e.g., Arctic).
MINAMATA CONVENTION ON MERCURY	Mercury and mercury compounds – emissions, trade, use	Controls mining, trade, use in products (like thermometers, cosmetics, fluorescent lamps), industrial processes, and emissions from power plants and small-scale gold mining.	Mercury in thermometers, lamps, artisanal gold mining		Mercury is highly toxic and can travel globally, contaminating water and food chains.



Focal Area (Thematic)	Total GEF Financing
Biodiversity	90,164,176
Chemicals and Waste	46,737,875
Climate Change	159,063,745
International Waters	20,399,197
Land Degradation	30,845,050
Multi Focal Area	81,949,404
Grand Total	429,159,447



Project	Total GEF	
	Financing	
"Promoting Resource Efficiency and Circularity to Reduce Plastic Pollution for Asia and the Pacific	1,122,375	
Innovating Eco-Compensation Mechanisms in Yangtze River Basin (YRB)	5,000,000	
"Plastik Sulit": Accelerating Circular Economy for Difficult Plastics in Indonesia	4,000,000	
Financing Agrochemical Reduction and Management (FARM) in Agri-Food Value Chains	8,393,000	
Natural Capital Fund (NCF): Investing in Nature-Positive Agri-Food Enterprises in Asia and the Pacific	4,500,000	
Global Programme to Support Countries to Upscale Integrated Electric Mobility Systems	54,500	
Global Coordination Project-Clean and Healthy Ocean Integrated Program	1,668,000	
Chemicals and Wastes Financing Partnership Facility (CWFPF)	22,000,000	
GRAND TOTAL	46,737,875	

Circular Economy Working Group



Role of the ADB CE Working Group

Provide ADB's operational teams with the knowledge, support, and tools to identify individual and programmatic CE investment opportunities, engage with DMC clients, and optimize implementation in both sovereign and private sectors.

SHORT TERM



Provide a centralized focal point and repository for ADB's CE knowledge and expertise, such as the CE webinar series, past trainings, and the CE Forum

MEDIUM TERM



Consult with staff to define what CE is for ADB operations and the criteria for identifying CE activities to support the Corporate Results Framework; and to develop a One ADB CE Toolkit, knowledge products, and other guidance documents, e.g., relating to the Global Plastics Treaty

LONG TERM



Manage the Toolkit to ensure continued relevance and utility for ADB's operations and Developing Member Countries

ADB Investments and Initiatives

ADB

- INO: Reducing Marine Debris in Indonesia
 Program (\$1,150.22 M)
- REG: Toward Plastic Pollution-Free and Sustainable Marine and Coastal Ecosystems in Indonesia and the Philippines (\$8.32 M)



ENABLING POLICIES, PROGRAMS, AND FRAMEWORKS

- ASEAN Catalytic Green Finance Facility
- Nature Solutions Finance Hub
- Ocean Resilience and Coastal
 Adaptation Financing Partnership Facility

- Studies on digitalizing the plastics value chain and preparation of digital road maps
- Pasig River digital twin model



INNOVATIVE FINANCE



DATA, INFORMATION, AND MONITORING SYSTEMS

CIRCULAR ECONOMY ENABLERS



KNOWLEDGE AND CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

- Technical assistance projects to mainstream circularity
- Various knowledge products (e.g., ADB briefs, Dev Asia articles)
- Circular Economy Data



PARTNERSHIPS

Collaboration with various organizations and donors for cofinancing projects or co-organizing training sessions, etc. — Agence Française de Développement, the Coordinating Body on the Seas of East Asia, Global Plastic Action Partnership, KfW Development Bank, various National Plastic Action Partnerships, and the World Wide Fund for Nature

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