



## EAST AFRICA GROUP

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# Discussion

1. Overview of East African Community (EAC) Secretariat policy, legal, and Strategic frameworks related to climate action in the region
2. EAC priority programmes on climate change
  - Implemented and under implementation projects
  - Advanced Concept Notes
  - Concept Notes ideas (food security, ecosystem restoration, blue economy, renewable energy, climate mobility)
3. Support of GIZ and UNIDO in the EAC region on climate change issues.



# Agreement



- EAC Secretariat to **enhance the scope** of the proposed project components to align with regional priorities and focus areas – water, pastures, etc
- GCF Secretariat to consider the proposed Concept Note - **Climate Resilient Economies: An Integrated approach for the East Africa Region.**
- EAC and UNIDO to develop **a Concept Note on Building Climate Resiliency and Strengthening Adaptive Capacity and Food Security.**
- EAC Secretariat to pitch for **Leveraging Ecosystems and Nature-Based Solutions to build Resilient Communities**
- GIZ to work with EAC Secretariat to leverage the **blue economy potential for Sustainable Development proposal** and submit to GCF



# Agreement



- Need to link climate change vulnerabilities to post-harvest losses.
- Investments in **water transport to reduce emissions** should be considered in the EAC region.
- The **energy sector must be prioritized** as a critical component in addressing the impacts of climate change.
- EAC Secretariat should **expedite its accreditation** with GCF, GEF and AF.
- Enhance the role of **the private sector** to contribute to the interventions related to climate change.



## Next Steps



- EAC/LVBC Secretariat to **submit the proposed Concept Note** on Climate Resilient Economies to the GCF Secretariat by September 2025.
- GCF, AF, and GEF to continue to support Partner States and the EAC Secretariat in **capacity building for project preparation**.
- GIZ and UNIDO to work together with the EAC Secretariat to conceptualize proposed projects.
- EAC Secretariat, with support from UNFCCC, to **prioritize scaling up** access to renewable energy and water security initiatives and identify relevant partners to collaborate with.