Needs and Actions To Enhance Prospects for Private Financing



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Key Messages from Financing Workshop in Montreal & Bonn

Capacity building is key Risk is major consideration – technology, political, economic, etc. **Mobilizing domestic capital is essential.** Necessity of the enabling environment weaknesses of in-country institutions can be more of a barrier than access to financing.

Need for Capacity Building

- Capacity building for project
 development and financing remains a
 key area needed to access new markets
 for investment financing.
- Building capacity in developing countries to improve project financing proposal so that they can "speak" the language of the investment community.

Need to Mobilize Local Resources

Need to mobilize local resources, including natural, human, institutional, and financial. Need for capacity building of local partner to help create local entrepreneurs; thereby helping to mobilize local resources. Need Training programs to help educate local banks and other institutions on financing issues.

Other Needs

- Need to expand knowledge within the investment community of climate opportunities, particularly at the domestic level.
- Need for networks of partnerships to link different levels of key players presently disconnected; e.g. get development people talking to entrepreneurs.

Enhancement Actions

Outreach to investors to improve their perceptions of risk. For example, many investors view renewable energy and GHG reduction projects as compounding risk – combining risky sectors with risky markets with a risky commodity.

Look for project synergies to link climate aspects of a project with sustainable development goals that address issue such as water, poverty, pollution abatement, etc.

Enhancement Actions

- Efforts to enhance the enabling environment for technology transfer can take many forms –
 - Improving the legal system, e.g. strengthening IPRs.
 - Favored conditions for importing a priority technology.
 - Income tax exemptions in priority technology areas.
 - Simplify permitting approval process.

Conclusions/Next Steps

Expand the opportunities for technical assistance to project developers to prepare project financing proposals meeting international finance standards.

Encourage public/private partnerships to fill gaps in the continuum from project concept through development to eventual commercial financing.

Create investor-friendly environment