

The City Climate Finance Gap Fund (or “Gap Fund”) aims to help cities in low- and middle-income countries transition towards low-carbon and climate-resilient pathways in line with the goals of the Paris Agreement.

Resources will be available to provide technical assistance to the development of early stage urban climate action interventions, by: (i) supporting cities and their local governments prepare bankable climate action investment projects; and (ii) facilitating matchmaking to later-stage project preparation facilities and financiers. The fund is not designed to finance any expected investment expenditures.

Instructions: Applicants for the Gap Fund must ensure that their activities are properly aligned with the program’s goals and objectives, which you can find [here](#). Additional information may be enclosed as needed.

SECTION A: BASIC DATA

1. Title of proposed activity

2. Applicant’s information

Full name
Position and department/unit
Institution

3. City

4. Country

5. Applicant’s contact details

Email address
Phone number

SECTION B: KEY PROJECT DETAILS

6. Sector focus

(check all that apply)

Sustainable urban mobility

Related to public transport, BRT systems, fuel switches, non-motorised transport

Solid waste management

Recycling, integrated waste management systems, circular economy

Green buildings/eco-districts

Interventions to meet suitable green building certifications or equivalent

Adaptation

To established climate vulnerabilities

Affordable housing

With energy efficiency approaches

Energy efficiency

Buildings, street lighting, district heating and/or cooling and distributed renewable energy generation

Water and wastewater management

Water supply and sanitation, sewerage, redevelopment for flood protection

Greening of urban areas

Public spaces, nature-based solutions, blue/green infrastructure (green/blue roofs, rain gardens, etc.)

Multisector, area-based investment programs

Includes slum/informal settlement upgrading, brownfield redevelopments, urban extensions

7. Climate focus

(select one only)

Mitigation or low-carbon development

Adaptation or resilience

Both

None

8. Current stage in project cycle

(select one only)

Climate strategy development/enabling environment

Project definition/concept/identification/origination

Pre-feasibility study

Feasibility study

9. Type of support requested

The objective of the Gap Fund is to support the early stages of project preparation, when cities often lack the capacity and financial resources required to turn ideas into real projects. While the Gap Fund may support the implementation of full pre-feasibility studies or fill in gaps in feasibility studies, such situations are exceptional.

Climate strategy development and enabling environment

Examples include analysis of the legal environment, alignment with national strategies, policy mapping, stakeholder engagement, and building capacity for early-stage project preparation based on international good practices

Definition of a project concept

Examples include concept development, investment prioritization and analysis of potential finance-readiness

Pre-feasibility support

Examples include preparing Terms of References and carrying out a pre-feasibility study, technology assessment, stakeholder engagement at the project level, preliminary financial or economic analysis and climate assessment

Feasibility support

Examples include filling gaps in a feasibility study, bringing Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) to international financial institution standards and matchmaking support to other project preparation facilities

10. Briefly describe the: (i) challenges/issues to be addressed, (ii) proposed scope of interventions, including whether the activities will directly or indirectly respond to the impact of COVID-19, (iii) expected environmental, social and economic benefits, and (iv) rationale for Gap Fund support (no more than 400 words).

Existing partnerships/engagements

11. Does the city have an existing engagement with any one or more of these development partners? (Directly or indirectly via state or national agencies.)

(Select all that apply)

World Bank (WB)

Provide details on type and number of engagements, project name(s), timeline(s), amount(s), etc.

European Investment Bank (EIB)

Provide details on type and number of engagements, project name(s), timeline(s), amount(s), etc.

German Corporation for International Cooperation (GIZ)

Provide details on type and number of engagements, project name(s), timeline(s), amount(s), etc.

Others (multilateral development banks, national development banks and any other international financial institutions and development partners)

Provide details on type and number of engagements, project name(s), timeline(s), amount(s), etc.

None

12. Does the proposed intervention have any links to existing or planned local or national government strategies?

City climate change action plan or resilience strategy

Yes No

If yes, what is the status of the plan? Choose an item.

Completed Ongoing Planned

Urban development plans (master plan, strategic spatial plan, investment plan, etc.)

Yes No

If yes, what is the status of the plan? Choose an item.

Completed Ongoing Planned

National climate change action plan or resilience strategy, Nationally Determined Contributions, etc.

Yes No

If yes, what is the status of the plan? Choose an item.

Completed Ongoing Planned

Others, namely:

Yes No

If yes, what is the status of the plan? Choose an item.

Completed Ongoing Planned

13. Did you receive any assistance in filling out this expression of interest?

(Select only one)

World Bank (WB)

European Investment Bank (EIB)

Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)

Global Covenant of Mayors and city networks (such as ICLEI and C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group (C40))

Others (please specify):

None

14. Optional: provide additional information below as needed.

If the application is not selected by the Gap Fund, the applicant agrees to be connected with other organisations and development partners that are members of the [Cities Climate Finance Leadership Alliance \(CCFLA\)](#). Yes No

When requested, the applicant commits to provide evidence of local/national political support for the proposed intervention. Yes

If selected, the applicant commits to conduct an estimation of the climate change mitigation or adaptation potential of the proposed intervention under the Gap Fund, when requested and with Gap Fund support if needed. Yes