Eastern Mediterranean and Middle East Climate Change Initiative advancing its

Governance, Monitoring and Financing

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Decisions from the Feb. 2022 Ministerial

• Principles
• Governance
• Interim Secretariat
• Regional Action Plan
• Next meetings: today, and October 25 (Heads of State)
Principles of participation to the Initiative

1. Without prejudice to other issues
2. Acknowledging and complementing National Plans
3. Discretionary: each State selects when, where and how to participate and contribute
4. UN principles. Further participation is open to all.
Governance

• Federated Structure
• Non-interference to national policies and decisions
• Partial participation of those willing to each activity, open to later additions
• Voluntary and supplemental to the Paris agreement
EMME CCI structure

• Country Offices
• The Regional Secretariat
• The Governing Council
EMME-CCI Country Offices

- established by all Countries participating in the Initiative
- significant administrative, monitoring, and scientific responsibilities
- liaising the Council and the Secretariat to their respective Governments
- Participating in the development of the Action Plan
- Monitor the effectiveness of policies and measures undertaken
- quality and timely execution of CCI projects
- leadership/coordination of specific policy areas of CC
- scientific leadership in an important aspect of climate change
Country Offices - examples

• coordinating center for solar desalination or
• the training center for new technologies in the built environment sector

• scientific leadership in an important aspect of climate change
  • (such as desertification,
  • sea level rise,
  • water scarcity,
  • renewable energy
  • Forest fires
  • Marine
The EMME CC Secretariat Pillars

Support pillars for policy/measures:

- Mitigation
- Adaptation
- Enabling Research and Development
- Enabling Observation Network
- Outreach and Education campaign
- Innovation and Green Development
Secretariat functions

• Facilitate and Support
  • E.g. The operations of the Governing Council of the Initiative, Obtaining finance

• Coordinate
  • The coherence and effectiveness of actions taken
  • The transnational projects of the Initiative, activities of the country offices
  • The sharing of information and knowhow
  • Financing/investing resources, requests

• Initiate
  e.g. Projects, especially of transnational nature, Institutions

• Monitor
  • The effectiveness of policies and measures undertaken by the initiative
  • The quality and timely execution of projects pursued under its auspices
Governing Council

The highest body of the Initiative Governing structure

• Sets policy targets for the Initiative
• Approves its rolling plan of action
• Approves the annual budget
• Evaluates and adjust the structure of the Secretariat, and the coordination among the Country offices
International Observers

• As invited guests of the Council, the Secretariat or a Country Office
• To provide consulting, technical support or funding

Reflecting
• the global character of the Climate Crisis,
• the interest of the international community in the EMME region,
• the need for scientific and technological knowhow transfer and information exchange, and
• the availability of coordinated international funding of mitigation and adaptation actions
Monitoring

(for the benefit of the Governing Council)

• Monitoring the progress of the EMME CC Initiative
• Monitoring the evolution of the Climate Crisis in EMME
• Monitoring regional adherence to the Paris Agreement
• Monitoring EMME CCI institution efficacy and its projects and services
Financing

Primarily for:

- projects and services for EMME climate change mitigation and adaptation
Funding sources

• The participating countries
• International banks and other funding agencies
• Institutional, Governmental, and private donors
Co-funding

From the Paris Agreement: Tier A (donor) and Tier B (recipient) countries

In EMME: both types of countries; the Initiative will follow the Paris Agreement distinction

• Transparent, credible, and reliable dispensing and monitoring mechanisms

• Will assure donors that resources will be well spent and according to the contracts agreed.
Regional funding

• The need for regional funding is internationally acknowledged
• Climate change impacts do not respect national boundaries
• Few established conduits for transnational funding serve the Climate Change requirements
• The EMME CC Initiative aspires to address this need
Thank you