

## Rationale and Objectives for the No-Cost Extension

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### A. Introduction:

The 'SDG-Climate Facility: Climate Action for Human Security' is a regional, multi-partner project, implemented by UNDP. The project was signed in March 2019 and has a planned end date of December 31, 2022. This note is to present the rationale for a No-Cost Extension request of 12 months, until 31 December 2023.

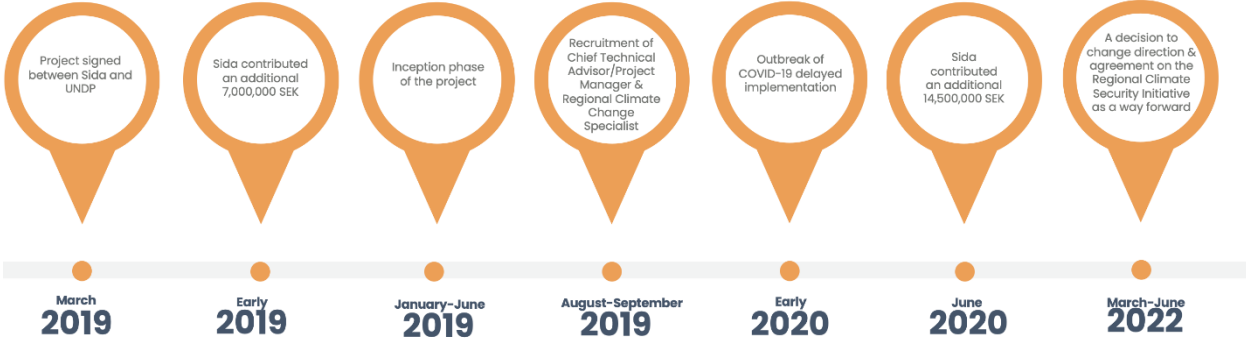
### B. Background:

- The SDG-Climate Facility project was agreed in December 2018 between Sida and the UNDP Regional Hub for Arab States, with an initial grant of 60,000,000 SEK from Sida. In early 2019, Sida contributed an additional 7,000,000 SEK to the project, and in June 2020, Sida further topped up the budget by 14,500,000 SEK. These different allocations amount to the equivalent of USD 8,945,415 contribution by Sida, and a USD 600,000 contribution by UNDP TRAC, resulting in an overall project budget of **USD 9,545,415**.
- The first half of 2019 was dedicated to an inception phase as the legal and operational foundations for the multi-partner project were laid out and completed in June 2019. During this period, initial country conflict analyses were undertaken by UNDP to assess the viability of identified countries to kick start implementation. This was an important step to ensure the viability of the planned Resilience Grants, which targeted numerous fragile countries, such as Iraq, Yemen, Palestine.
- The project team, headed by a Chief Technical Advisor/Project Manager was set up starting from August 2019, which was then strengthened in September 2019 with the onboarding of a Regional Climate Change Specialist.

With the effective initial low-cost preparations and consultations mentioned above as part of the inception phase, the early expenditures of the project in 2019 emerged to USD 646,546 in line with agreed workplan.

- In early 2020, country missions were underway to kick start the design of the Resilience Grants which make up 33.6% of the total project value. However, the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic from March 2020 and the continued impact during 2020 and up to early 2021 had significant implications for the take-off of the country level work and inter-linked activities. At the same time, the majority of the planned regional exchanges and activities undertaken by partners had to be revisited, revised, and in many cases postponed, due to the evolving pandemic severely affecting the overall timeframe of the project. These delays were communicated and discussed at the biannual Board meetings, beginning in 2020, as well as the recurrent Annual Review meetings with Sida.

- While efforts continued during the peak of the COVID pandemic to enable implementation of all possible activities using online modalities and innovative approaches, an additional 14,500,000 SEK were made available by Sida for support to capacity building efforts among the partners, top up some of the partner’s activities, as well as to supplement the existing country grants. As a result, substantial consultations were undertaken in Q2 of 2020 with partners to agree on design of additional activities with these supplementary resources while as the same time acknowledging the ongoing challenges encountered in implementing the already agreed activities within the context of the ongoing pandemic
- Key milestones



**C. Rationale for a No-Cost Extension Request**

The rationale for this No-Cost Extension request is to ensure maximum impact and sustainability of project activities through finalization of the Resilience Grants implementation and strategic communication and knowledge exchange related activities documenting the results achieved through the allocated grants. As discussed at the Board Meetings in 2020, and during the ad-hoc meetings that were called for each of the Resilience Grants, the design and decision for the scope of the Grants were guided by consultations with country stakeholders which identified the relevant national and sub-national partners, and specific localities for implementation. In some cases, the latter required additional government authorizations due to their protected status.

The No-Cost Extension will also allow for the project to respond to recommendations emerging from the recent discussions between LAS, UNDP and Sida vis a vis a shift in direction in the establishment of the SDG-Climate Facility and ensure a refocus on strengthening the LAS-led efforts to roll out a Regional Climate Security Initiative to allow for greater long-term ownership and sustainability.

***i. Shifting from the SDG-Climate Facility towards a Regional Climate Security Initiative***

The success of the SDG-Climate Facility was dependent on consensus around its long-term objectives, and governance structure. Some delays were incurred in the finalization of the draft design proposal, which impacted the discussions and consultations among the partners. However, during a project retreat in September 2021, all partners agreed that the envisaged Facility would need to facilitate technical solutions and mobilize financing for addressing climate security. It was also discussed that these objectives would be carried out through two key pillars: (i) climate and human security, and (ii) climate and sustainable finance, given the priorities of the region. However, an agreement about the governance

structure of the facility could not be reached, also due to challenges in identifying an appropriate legal set-up, as well as LAS' concerns about how ensure some level of accountability to LAS members states (their main stakeholders) through an independent entity.

Since the beginning of 2022, LAS has spearheaded efforts to establish a framework that addresses the Climate-Security priorities of the region. The Regional Climate Security Initiative will continue the themes of climate-security and climate and sustainable finance, while adjusting to the evolving needs of the region, with the aim to elevate the climate security agenda in the region during COP27 and COP28, and beyond. The initiative is expected to be taken forward with a strong partnership base, including the SDG climate facility project's current members, as well as new stakeholders, who can bring additional value to the efforts. This agenda has also been approved by LAS Sustainable Development Committee, as well as the LAS ECOSOC, thereby assuring regional ownership, and through LAS, a strong leadership to take the issues forward.

After consultation with LAS, Sida, and at the 6 July 2022 Board Meeting with all Implementing Partners, the Project Board decided to discontinue the efforts to establish an independent facility, which was deemed not viable. Instead, the remaining period, including the No-Cost Extension will be used to mobilize the current partnership and the results generated through the project implementation to support the further development of the Regional Climate Security Initiative.<sup>1</sup> As such, the No-Cost Extension period will be utilized to support these efforts by repurposing some of the budget that would have otherwise been dedicated to the establishment of another structure.

#### **D. Scope of the No-Cost Extension**

Considering the above, the No-Cost Extension will allow for sufficient time to complete ongoing activities and demonstrate the envisaged outcome level impact in line with objectives of the project document. Likewise, the No-Cost Extension will, in light of recent shift in direction, allow for the project to support the establishment of a robust coordination mechanism for the LAS Regional Climate Security Initiative, utilizing the building blocks emerging from the project outputs to date.

To enable this, the No-Cost Extension will prioritize activities that have been initiated already, ensure compliance with the dues remaining to partner agencies, and maximize the impact of remaining funds (including repurposing of certain funds as relevant) for a successful transition, leading to lessons learned, solid partnerships, and proofs of concepts that will facilitate future climate security initiatives in the Arab States region. It is therefore proposed that the 12-month period in 2023 focuses on the completion of ongoing priority activities, including the Resilience Grants, strategic knowledge products/regional exchanges to consolidate the various learnings emerging from the project to lay the ground for future interventions within this area of work, while at the same time seeking to align with the Regional Climate Security Initiative through substantive findings emerging from the project using the limited available budget available for this component.

##### ***i. Continued Implementation of Resilience Grants***

Due to the main causes of delays listed above, three resilience grants will be completed through the first half of 2023, specifically Iraq, Egypt, and Tunisia. Additionally, the Waste-to-Energy project in Yemen faced some challenges due to the ongoing unstable political situation particularly around Hodeidah, where the

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<sup>1</sup> Minutes from Board Meeting available here:

second Waste-to-Energy plant is being installed. As such, it is also expected that the activities will be completed within the first half of 2023. Egypt has been facing implementation delays but has recently seen a significant take up. Tunisia’s proposal was only approved in January 2022 and is just being kicked off. However, both Egypt and Tunisia have strong ownership and close engagement with COs are in place to ensure finalization by December 2023. In the case of Iraq, the project, from its inception was designed as a 36-month long initiative, due to the relatively large grant volume (a total of USD1 million with UNDP Iraq Country Office co-financing) as it likewise expected to be completed in December 2023.

In line with UNDP rules and regulations close monitoring are institutionalized as part of the workplan and the project team is working closely with the county offices on addressing any emerging challenges related to the implementation of the country grants.

Country Resilience Grants utilization overview (based on system generated information, 1 September 2022)

Resilience Grants - Utilization in USD (as of 1 September 2022)						
Country	Total Budget	Utilization as of December 2021	2022 Budget	2022 Utilization to Date	Total Utilization to Date	Rate
Yemen W2E	500,000	313,178	174,770	140,217	453,395	91%
Yemen Q2C	262,000	31,588	245,990	92,035	123,623	47%
Iraq	922,000	207,581	529,000	90,300	297,881	32%
Palestine	253,000	42,626	211,749	210,941	253,567	100%
Jordan	450,000	163,340	287,250	225,516	388,856	86%
Egypt	410,000	0	223,450	23694	23,694	6%
Tunisia	415,000	0	189,000	4,113	4,113	1%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3,212,000</b>	<b>758,313</b>	<b>1,861,209</b>	<b>203,151</b>	<b>1,545,129</b>	<b>48%</b>

\*Resilience grant in Egypt was approved by the project board in April 2021

\*\*Resilience grant in Tunisia was approved by the project board in January 2022

## ***ii. Communication and Knowledge Sharing***

As all the partners start concluding their activities, many of the lessons learned, results, and impacts are being consolidated into knowledge products, as well as materials that will inform similar initiatives and serve as the legacy of the project, It is expected that Q1 and Q2 of 2023 will be used to finalize these products, share them in regional dialogues, and trigger action for replication, scaling-up, and new programming, also contributing to the Regional Climate Security Initiative. Specifically, UNDP will be focusing on a lessons-learned publication from the Resilience Grants, which will build on a parallel initial gathering of interim lessons learned to be presented at the sideline of COP27.

To allow for documentation of the most up to date progress the planned final project evaluation will take place in Quarter 3 of the 2023, in line with the donor agreement and required budget is factored in to the proposed 2023 workplan, .

Table 1: List of Remaining Products that will be finalized/launched in 2023 (the products are already initiated)

Partner	Name of product/event that will take place in 2023
UNDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lessons learned publication from Resilience Grants</li> <li>• Knowledge product on Climate security mainstreaming into policies and validation workshop (with WFP)</li> <li>• Knowledge product on integrating climate change into public financial management systems and validation workshop</li> <li>• Knowledge product on displaced women and climate change and validation workshop</li> </ul>
AWC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Climate Change, Women and Displaced Women Nexus research paper.</li> <li>• Towards a Climate Security Framework for the Arab Region.</li> <li>• Climate Change Disasters, Flood Impacts and Risk Management on MENA Region: The case of Sudan and its Implications for Regional Food Responses.</li> </ul>
WFP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knowledge product on Climate security mainstreaming into policies and validation workshop (with WFP)</li> </ul>
UNEP-FI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Banking and Adaptation: MENA chapter in global study. Dec 2022 / Jan 2023)</li> <li>• Integrating climate change into Islamic Finance (Feb/Mar 2023)</li> <li>• Guidance for banks transitioning to net zero in the MENA region (May/June 2023)</li> </ul>
UNDRR	Concluded
UN-Habitat	Concluded

iii. **Support the Regional Climate Security Initiative**

Besides building synergies with the efforts mentioned above, the budget which was programmed for the establishment of the SDG-Climate Facility will be repurposed towards strategic support to the Regional Climate Security Initiative. This will take place through the following means (indicative, and not exhaustive):

1. Strengthen the coordination mechanism within LAS to bring together the different building blocks established by the current project through technical assistance, in collaboration with the Climate Security Mechanism
2. Support a selected number of dialogues and exchanges to bring on board new partners to take forward the initiative beyond 2023.
3. Development of an implementation plan for the Regional Climate Security Initiative based on the outcomes of discussions that will take place at the various stakeholder and partner exchanges.
4. Support the institutional capacity of the Sustainable Development and International Cooperation Department through technical expertise and advisory services.

The support and activities will be targeted and specific to allow for the most effective and efficient value for money in the use of scarce remaining resources.

**iv. Operational considerations**

The No-Cost Extension will be based on a smaller project team while leveraging the wider Amman Regional Hub capacity that will allow for the project to conclude smoothly, including a focus on a coordinating function, programme management function, and continued integrated climate change expertise.

**E. Budget Implications**

The No-Cost Extension considerations, both substantive and operational, has been designed to make the most effective use of the remaining resources. Please refer to the following tables for the various budget dimensions that have been taken into account.

**i. Budget Overview**

**Project overall budget and annual utilization:**

Item	Amount	Notes
Total Project Budget	9,545,415	Based on actual transfers from Sida
2019 Utilization	(646,546)	System Generated Reporting
2020 Utilization	(1,266,076)	System Generated Reporting
2021 Reported Utilization	(2,515,010)	System Generated and Shadow Reporting
2022 Estimated Utilization (100%)	(3,710,431)	
<b>Estimated Balance to be programmed for 2023</b>		<b>1,407,352</b>
<b>Estimated UNDP TRAC from the 2023 Balance</b>		<b>187,215</b>

**2023 estimated budget distribution:**

2023 Estimated Budget Distribution		
<b>Programme Activities</b>	Resilience Grants	735,310
	Communication Activities	37,000
	Support to AWC	12,500
	Support to RCSI	65,000
<b>HR &amp; Cross Cutting</b>	HR & Staffing (P3 – 50% P2 – IPSA 11)	336,215
	GOE & Implementation Support	-
	Final Evaluation	50,000
<b>GMS (at 8%)</b>		<b>83,905</b>
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>1,319,930</b>
<b>Resources to be programmed by February 2023</b>		<b>87,422</b>
<b>Grand Total (USD)</b>		<b>1,407,352</b>

## Overall breakdown by Outcome

2023 Estimated Budget by Outcome		% Of total budget
Outcome 1	150,000	11%
Outcome 2	87,500	7%
Outcome 3	948,525	72%
Final evaluation	50,000	4%
GMS (at 8% of Sida resources)	83,905	6%
<b>Sub - Total</b>	<b>1,319,930</b>	<b>100%</b>
Resources to be programmed by February 2023	87,422	N/A
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>1,407,352</b>

### **Assumptions & Notes:**

- 1) To enable the calculation of the estimated resources for 2023 and identification of activities, the 2023 budget is based on the assumption that the project will utilize 100% of the 2022 allocated budget; however, all amounts that are not utilized by 31 December 2022, will be rolled over, and contribute to the overall 2023 budget.
- 2) UNDRR and UNHABITAT led activities are already completed, and no budget carry over is expected on those activities
- 3) WFP led activities are expected to be fully completed by end of 2022, and no carry over of budget is expected on those activities
- 4) UNEP FI and AWC/LAS led activities are experiencing some delays, and carry over of budget from 2022 to 2023 is expected
- 5) UNDP led activities are on track for 2022, except for the ones that are already identified as requiring additional time for implementation in 2023, primarily the three Resilience Grants (Egypt, Iraq, Tunisia)
- 6) Communication and knowledge products are on track with the understanding that some knowledge products can only be finalized in parallel to the implementation of the country grants. Funds will be committed in 2022 and there will be no budget requirements in 2023.

A proposed, and tentative Annual Work Plan for 2023 is annexed to this document. Please refer to Annex 3.

## Annex 2 - Challenges in Detail

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### *ii. Impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic*

The impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic posed a significant implementation challenge during 2020 and the first half of 2021, especially in terms of country level implementation, in-country missions, national and regional workshops, and knowledge exchanges which were cancelled or delayed.

While the project team and partners made efforts to mitigate negative impacts and resorted to virtual meetings/webinars, remote working, and telecommuting modalities, the effects on implementation were inevitable. For instance, there were significant delays in the launch and implementation of the Resilience Grants as national and sub-national consultations, or field assessments, were unable to go ahead as planned. Likewise, key workshops such as those related to the G20 and other planned knowledge exchanges were also put on hold or cancelled.

### *iii. In-country challenges and lengthy governmental approval processes*

Delays were also incurred due to complex national government, or local stakeholder's approval processes, including, but not limited to the Resilience Grants. Some examples of these delays include:

#### **External:**

- a. Egypt: the project proposal was approved by the project board in April 2021, but the government approval for implementation was only received during Q4 2021. The locality of the project required the approval of a specialized agency, due to the Protected status of the region. Furthermore, due to linkages with a larger GCF-UNDP project, the SDG-Climate Facility grant was also dependent on several preparatory studies under the GCF-funded project to be finalized prior to finalizing the design of the grant, notably the social vulnerability study funded by GCF, which guided design of the SDG-Climate Facility Resilience Grant.
- b. UNEP- FI activities related to engagements with banks in Egypt and Morocco were delayed due to late clearances from the concerned authorities.

#### **Internal:**

- c. Tunisia: Turn-over of UNDP Country Office team led to delayed and incomplete decisions related to the design of the Resilience Grant in Tunisia. The momentum was picked up only in the summer of 2021 when a new Team Leader came on board. The project was subsequently approved in January 2022; however, progress has been marred by the recent political changes, including at the sub-national level where the project scope was targeted.
- d. Syria: In March 2020, the project team was informed that Sida could no longer support implementation of activities in Syria due to EU sanctions. As such, the project team had to identify an alternative country that would still allow for the objectives to be met. Consultations with Sida, and consequently, the UNDP Jordan Country Office took place, to identify potential entry points. The consultations, some of which were in person, led to the approval of the Jordan grant in December 2020.



*i. Interdependency of project activities*

Several activities within the project are inter-linked and part of an iterative process. As such, delays in one set of activities had roll-over effects on others. For instance, while the intention was to have an initial regional exchange on the implementation of the Grants, the delayed launch and implementation of most of them made this untenable. Likewise, the planned launch of various knowledge products was also delayed due to delayed on-the-ground implementation.

**Annex 3: Proposed Annual Work Plan 2023 in line with project document**  
**(Activities outlined in gray are completed or expected to be completed by end of 2022.)**

Planned Activities	IP	Fund	Budget Description	2023 Budget	Notes
<b>Output 1.1. Establishment of a SDG Climate Facility as a multi-partner regional platform for accelerating climate action in a way that generates benefits across SDGs and for crisis prevention/recovery goals</b>					
Activity 1.1.1. Comparative analysis of multi-partner platforms in existence in terms of roles in generating innovation, business models for engaging broad ecosystem of actors, and financing models to engage various strands of public and private finance	LAS/AWC	Sida	Technical Specialists	-	
Activity 1.1.2. Development of options for design and structure of the Facility for review by Project Board members	LAS/AWC	Sida	Technical Specialists	-	
			Workshop / Travel		
Activity 1.1.3. Roundtables and consultative meetings facilitated between existing partners under the programme and potential expanded members of the Facility	LAS/AWC	Sida	Workshop Costs	15,000	In light of the shift from the Facility to the Regional Climate Security Initiative, this activity will focus on the development of implementation plan for the Regional Climate Security Initiative. Up to two consultative meetings are expected.
Activity 1.1.4. Endorsement by the Project Board of the selected model for the Facility and launch event with participating members	LAS/AWC	Sida	Workshop Costs	-	
<b>Output 1.2 Improved regional policies and actions that generate co-benefits from climate action for SDG achievement and crisis prevention/recovery goals</b>					

Activity 1.2.1. Support to map regional strategies under development to achieve the SDGs and 2030 Agenda, evaluation of results by ongoing regional strategies on water, climate, urbanization, energy, etc., and technical assistance to LAS on ways to mainstream climate risks into new strategies on road to 2030 targets. Special focus on climate security issues to address climate risks in fragile and crisis contexts in the region, and on ways climate mainstreaming can promote women's empowerment	LAS/AWC	Sida	Technical Specialists	-	
Activity 1.2.2. Undertake regional climate security assessment of the nexus of climate impacts with current displacement trends to determine (i) sensitivity to climate variability; (ii) forecasts of future climate displacement risks; and (iii) recommendations for regional strategies to prevent the role of climate change as an exacerbating force	LAS/AWC	Sida	Technical Specialists	-	
			Travel Costs	-	
<b>Output 1.3. Policy dialogues undertaken with regional and national stakeholders to highlight how policies and actions on climate change can contribute to SDG achievement and crisis prevention/recovery goals</b>					
Activity 1.3.1 Dialogues with member states to assess gaps and capacity needs for generating climate action in a way that brings benefits across the SDGs in line with national 2030 strategies, makes synergies between SDGs and NDCs, and brings benefits for women's empowerment	LAS/AWC	Sida	Technical Specialists	-	
			Workshop Costs	-	
			Travel	-	
Activity 1.3.2. Organize regular and dedicated climate security dialogues with crisis-affected member states to: i) contextualize nexus between climate and displacement; ii) raise awareness on climate risks to crisis prevention/recovery; iii) establish a climate-security network among practitioners and think-tanks to initiate regional policy research	AWC	Sida	Technical Specialists	-	
			Workshop Costs	-	
			Travel	-	

and capacity development agenda on managing multi-dimensional risks and building resilience					
Activity 1.3.3. Convene special sessions on climate security and the nexus of climate action with social vulnerability and crisis prevention/recovery at during the annual Arab Sustainable Development Week organized by LAS with member states and partners	LAS/AWC	Sida	Workshop Costs	15,000	Support to the SDIC Sustainable Development Week Meeting in 2023, where further discussions about the Regional Climate Security Initiative.
			Travel	-	
Activity 1.3.4. Contribute recommendations on climate nexus approach into dialogues convened by the new Arab Sustainable Development Committee, Science and Technology Advisory Group, other regional fora	LAS/AWC	Sida	Technical Specialists	-	
Activity 1.3.5 Technical assistance to enhance regional capacity to coordinate and implement climate-security nexus agenda, including support to Arab Water Council to strengthen linkages and synergies between climate-security research and policymaking	UNDP	Sida	Technical Specialists	12,500	
Activity 1.3.6 Design and launch Climate-Security Platform to facilitate knowledge exchange among practitioners, academics, research think-tanks and regional and international initiatives related to climate-security, including to provide technical assistance to policy makers on related areas	UNDP	Sida	Technical Specialists	-	
			Translation Services	-	
<b>Output 1.4. Advocacy and communication materials on the SDG-Climate-Security nexus to inform policy reforms and changes</b>					

Activity 1.4.1. Develop policy briefs and communication materials for deployment through various communication channels, as well as through regional dialogues to raise awareness on 2030 climate risk scenarios in the region, risks for generating social vulnerability and poverty with a particular focus on emergence of climate change as a root cause of resource insecurity, conflict and displacement, and special risks for gender inequality	UNDP	Sida	Travel	-	
Activity 1.4.2. Infographics on 2030 climate scenarios in the region for deployment in social media and regional dialogues to raise awareness, with emphasis on climate risks for social vulnerability, crisis and displacement, and special risks for gender inequality	UNDP	UNDP	Contract to AV Firm	-	
			Communication Specialist	-	
Activity 1.4.3 Targeted capacity development activities to media and CSO stakeholders at the regional, and country level to advocate for the nexus approach	UNDP	Sida	Technical Specialists	-	
			Travel	-	
	UNDP	Sida	CTA/Project Manager	-	
			CC Specialist	-	
		UNDP	Comms Specialist	50,000	UNDP TRAC
		Sida	CC Specialist / JPO	-	
			PM Analyst	22,500	Only 50% charged to the project
			Gender Advisory Services	-	
			Advisory Services	35,000	
Implementation Support	-				

			GOE	-	
<b>Total - Outcome 1</b>				<b>150,000</b>	
<b>Output 2.1. Better characterization of multi-dimensional risk, and baselines established on state of climate security, social vulnerability, and adaptive capacity needs across the region</b>					
Activity 2.1.1 Development of detailed climate impact forecasts using GIS, MIS and related tools to enhance understanding of multi-dimensional risks in countries that are hotspots of converging climate, social vulnerability and displacement risks.	AWC	Sida	Technical Specialists	-	
			Equipment	-	
Activity 2.1.2. Regionally tailored methodology developed for quantifying social vulnerability and displacement risk that can be incorporated into climate risk models for use by decision-makers; and technical assistance to improve use of climate science and data for decision-making on SDGs and crisis prevention/recovery.	AWC	Sida	Technical Specialists	-	
			Workshop Costs	-	
Activity 2.1.3 Designing the Arab Geographical Information Room (AGIR) structure to share data and results information with relevant stakeholders and the climate-security network.	LAS/AWC	Sida	Technical Specialists	-	
<b>Output 2.2. Early warning services, tools and risk assessments strengthened for better decision-making</b>					
Activity 2.2.1. Enhancing regional strategies and implementation mechanisms for managing climate risks to cities and building resilience to manage multi-dimensional risks for sustainable urban development	UNHABITAT	Sida	Technical Specialists	-	
			Workshop Costs	-	

Activity 2.2.2. Development of information systems for multi-hazard early warning and climate services to inform decision making and early action, particularly focusing on scale up of social protection and safety net mechanisms in the face of shocks and stressors in fragile and crisis contexts	WFP	SIDA	Technical specialists	-	
			Procurement services	-	
			Workshops	-	
			Travel	-	
Activity 2.2.3 Establishing regional baselines for risk transfer mechanisms including crop insurance, forecast based finance systems, sovereign risk insurance, as well as integrated risk management approaches at community level, based on existing lessons learned, with a focus on fragile/crisis contexts.	WFP	SIDA	Workshop costs	-	
			Travel costs	-	
Activity 2.2.4. Establish a regional DRR partners forum as a platform for identifying and scaling up innovative solutions on risk governance, early warning for climatic disasters and enhanced generation and use of data and indicators in line with the SDGs and Sendai Framework	UNDRR	SIDA	Technical specialists	-	
			Workshop costs	-	
<b>Output 2.3 Strategic risk assessments produced on nexus of climate change to SDG achievement and crisis prevention/recovery goals to promote integrated SDG solutions at the regional level</b>					
Activity 2.3.1 Climate-security risk assessments analyzing the role of climate change in generating long-term resource scarcity in areas of protracted crisis, exacerbating situations of conflict and displacement in the region, with particular focus on risks to women.	AWC	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	
			Workshop costs	-	
			Travel costs	-	
Activity 2.3.2 Dialogues to develop capacities of national partners to assess multi-dimensional	AWC	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	

risks, role of climate as a root cause of resource scarcity in areas of protracted crisis, and trigger exacerbating situations of conflict and displacement.			Workshop costs	-	
			Travel costs	-	
<b>Output 2.4 Regional analyses of opportunities to increase access to renewable energy in the Arab States, with a particular focus on crisis settings and fragile contexts completed</b>					
Activity 2.4.1: Expert review of current initiatives, experiences, and entry points on Sustainable Energy for Displaced Communities	UNDP	SIDA	Travel	-	
Activity 2.4.2: Develop innovative regional concept note(s) and project outline(s) that will serve as initial project ideas to be considered for financing at the climate investment forum	UNDP	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	
Activity 2.4.3: Support the development of special issue of energy access in crisis and fragile countries in the context of COVID-19	UNDP	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	
Activity 2.4.4: Regional workshop to refine and validate concept note(s) and project idea(s) developed under 2.4.2 with relevant stakeholders	UNDP	SIDA	Workshop costs	-	
Activity 2.4.5: Enhance the annual AFEX publication, and integrate focus on crisis/fragile contexts	UNDP	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	
Outcome 2 Crosscutting Costs	UNDP	UNDP/Sida	CTA/Project Manager	-	
			CC Specialist	-	
			Comms Specialist	50,000	UNDP TRAC
			CC Specialist / JPO	-	
			PM Analyst	22,500	



			Gender Advisory Services	-	
			Advisory Services	15,000	
			Implementation Support	-	
			GOE	-	
<b>Total - Outcome 2</b>				<b>87,500</b>	
<b>Output 3.1. Leadership and capacities of national and sub-national stakeholders enhanced to integrate climate change into development and crisis prevention/recovery policies and plans</b>					
Activity 3.1.1 Technical assistance to national partners to pilot climate services and early warning mechanisms to inform interventions, including to scale up national social protection and safety net programmes mechanisms that address climate risks to food/water security and reduce social vulnerability, with special focus on co-benefits for gender equality and women's empowerment	WFP	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	
			Procurement services	-	
			Workshop costs	-	
			Printing costs	-	
			Travel costs	-	
Activity 3.1.2. Technical assistance to national partners to mainstream climate resilient solutions into new urban development processes as well as recovery and reconstruction processes in cities affected by crisis	UN-Habitat	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	
Activity 3.1.3. Technical assistance to national partners to mainstream climate action into crisis prevention and recovery plans and policies, including use of foresight methodology, complex adaptive systems theory	UNDP	SIDA and UNDP	Institutional Contract	-	

and approaches to understand and managing multi-dimensional risks			Workshop Costs		-
<b>Output 3.2. Resilience grants to advance integrated, country-driven solutions</b>					
Activity 3.2.1 Yemen: Deploy off-grid local solar solutions for innovative waste-to-energy nexus approaches	National partners/UNDP	SIDA and UNDP	SDG-Climate Advisors		
			Short-term national experts		
			Procurement of equipment and services		
			Local workshops		
			Travel costs		
Activity 3.2.1 pilot innovative food-security solutions to address unsustainable food production to address emergency development needs and expanded access to health and education services for IDPs in war-affected areas of Yemen to achieve co-benefits across SDGs including women's empowerment	National partners/UNDP	SIDA and UNDP	SDG-Climate Advisors		
			Procurement of equipment and services		
			Local workshops		
Activity 3.2.2 Palestine: Deploy decentralized solar solutions for emergency needs and expanded access to health and education services for crisis-affected communities in Palestine, with emphasis on innovation to achieve co-benefits across SDGs women empowerment	National partners/UNDP	SIDA and UNDP	SDG-Climate Advisors		
			Short-term national experts		
			Procurement of solar equipment and services		
			Travel costs		
Activity 3.2.3 Deploy solar solutions to address sustainable energy needs and drinking water supply for communities prone to displacement in the Iraqi Marshlands, and support pilot climate security nexus solutions that address biodiversity, enhance ecosystem resilience and support post-conflict restoration with emphasis on women empowerment	National partners/UNDP	SIDA and UNDP	SDG-Climate Advisors	185,400	
			Short-term national experts		
			Procurement of equipment and services		
			Local workshops		
			Travel costs		
		SIDA and UNDP	SDG-Climate Advisors		

Activity 3.2.4 Jordan: Technical assistance to assess risks of climate change on Syrian refugee populations and their host communities in Jordan, and develop policy innovations and pilot solutions to address the nexus of climate change, displacement, energy and natural resources management to support post-conflict climate security	National partners/UNDP		Short-term national experts	-	
			Procurement of goods and services		
			Local workshops		
			Travel costs		
Activity 3.2.5 Egypt: Technical assistance to assess climate risks to critical ecosystems in Egypt such as delta, oases and aquifer systems, and develop policy innovations, institutional capacities and pilot interventions on climate resilience in Delta systems, in follow-up to CBD COP14	National partners/UNDP	SIDA and UNDP	SDG-Climate Advisors	242,910	Final decision on utilization for 2023 budget will be made in January 2023 based on progress by December 2022.
			Short-term national experts		
			Procurement of services		
			Local workshops		
			Travel costs		
Activity 3.2.6 Tunisia: Technical assistance to develop institutional capacities, policy response and community action for mainstreaming climate risks into sustainable coastal management, and identify resilient livelihood opportunities (Tunisia)	National partners/UNDP	SIDA and UNDP	SDG-Climate Advisors	307,000	Final decision on utilization for 2023 budget will be made in January 2023 based on progress by December 2022.
			Short-term national experts		
			Procurement of services		
			Local workshops		
			Travel costs		
<b>Output 3.3. Access to innovative finance and private partnerships is facilitated and scaled up through market analyses, mechanisms like Climate Investment Forums and others</b>					
Activity 3.3.1: Technical assistance to conduct market research, intelligence and analysis in the Arab region to establish baseline of finance institutional landscape, map existing barriers to scaling up climate finance, identify potential	UNEP-FI	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	
			Short-term national experts	-	

policy and market-based sustainable finance innovations, and establish knowledge platform on financing the climate transition in MENA.			Workshop costs	-	
			Travel costs	-	
Activity 3.3.2. Technical assistance to commercial financial institutions to develop financial products and services that support financing for climate mitigation and adaptation and for SDGs through an impact-based approach.	UNEP-FI	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	
			Short-term national experts	-	
			Workshop costs	-	
			Travel costs	-	
Activity 3.3.3: Technical assistance to design pipeline of bankable projects for consideration by potential investors	UNEP-FI	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	
			Short-term national experts	-	
			Workshop costs	-	
			Travel costs	-	
Activity 3.3.4 Country exchanges on lessons learned from implementation of country grants (focused on integrating climate-security considerations, and financing successes)	UNDP	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	
				-	
			Workshop costs	-	
			Travel costs	-	
Activity 3.3.5 Convene private sector roundtables and public-private marketplace forum to foster commitment to climate-security finance and facilitate matchmaking between private investors, multi-lateral development	UNDP	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	
			Workshop costs	-	

banks, project developers, NGOs, industry and public authorities			Travel costs	-	
Activity 3.3.6: Establishing alliances of climate-security champions in the region, including a collation of Finance Ministers, regulators, and others as relevant.	UNDP	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	
			Workshop costs	-	
Activity 3.3.7: Development of country climate investment opportunity case studies in select countries arising from the market study	UNEP-FI	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	
			Workshop costs	-	
Activity 3.3.8: Detailed investment theses developed for targeted market segments, such as for off-grid decentralized solar in crisis and post-crisis contexts and insurance for enhanced climate resilience, to serve as guidance for public-private partnerships and for private investments	UNDP	SIDA	Short-term technical specialists	-	
<b>Output 3.4. Good practices, lessons learned, and models captured for replication and scale-up</b>					
Activity 3.4.1. Report capturing results under country innovation grants and climate finance pillar to extract lessons learned and good practices	UNDP	SIDA and UNDP	Travel	5,000	
			Printing and Distribution	-	
Activity 3.4.2. Short films capturing success stories of local results in achieving climate action in a way that brings benefits across the SDGs and for crisis prevention and recovery	UNDP	SIDA and UNDP	Sub-Contract to AV firm	15,000	
			Travel	2,000	
			Distribution	-	
Activity 3.4.3. Development of communication activities including blogs, op-eds and social media contributions in leading media platforms to share success stories	UNDP	SIDA and UNDP	SDG-Climate - Story Writers & Editors	15,000	
Outcome 3 Crosscutting Costs	UNDP	UNDP/Sida	CTA/Project Manager	-	

		CC Specialist	-	
		Comms Specialist	87,215	TRAC
		CC Specialist / JPO	-	
		PM Analyst	34,000	50% charged to the project
		Gender Advisory Services	-	
		Advisory Services	55,000	
		Implementation Support	-	
		GOE	-	
<b>Total - Outcome 3</b>			<b>948,525</b>	
<b>Final Evaluation</b>			50,000	
<b>Total Programme Costs</b>			1,236,025	
<b>Total TRAC Resources for 2023</b>			187,215	
<b>GMS (at 8%)</b>			83,905	
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>1,319,930</b>	