

Financing Climate Change Adaptation in Transboundary Basins

Preparing Bankable Projects

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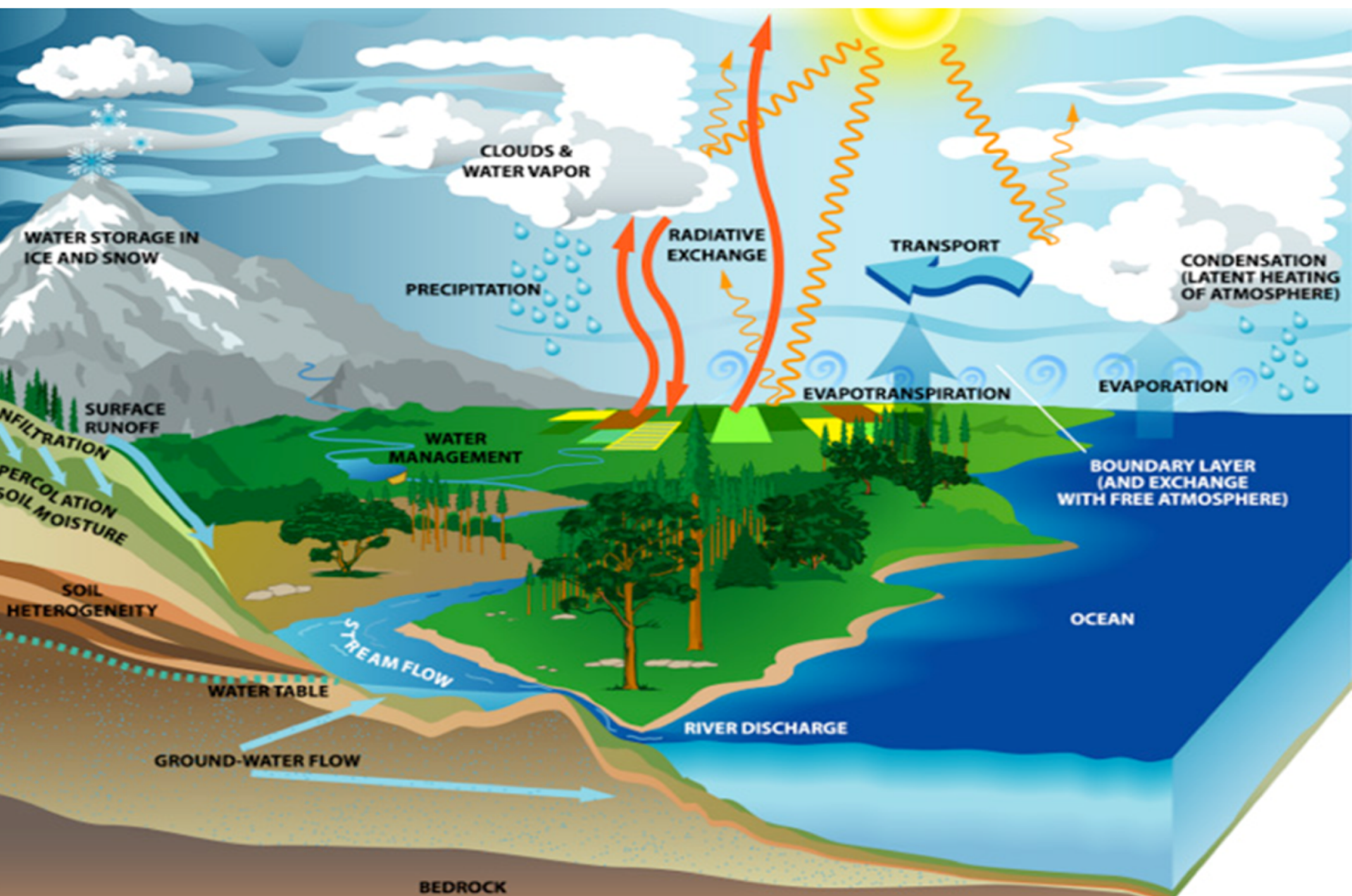
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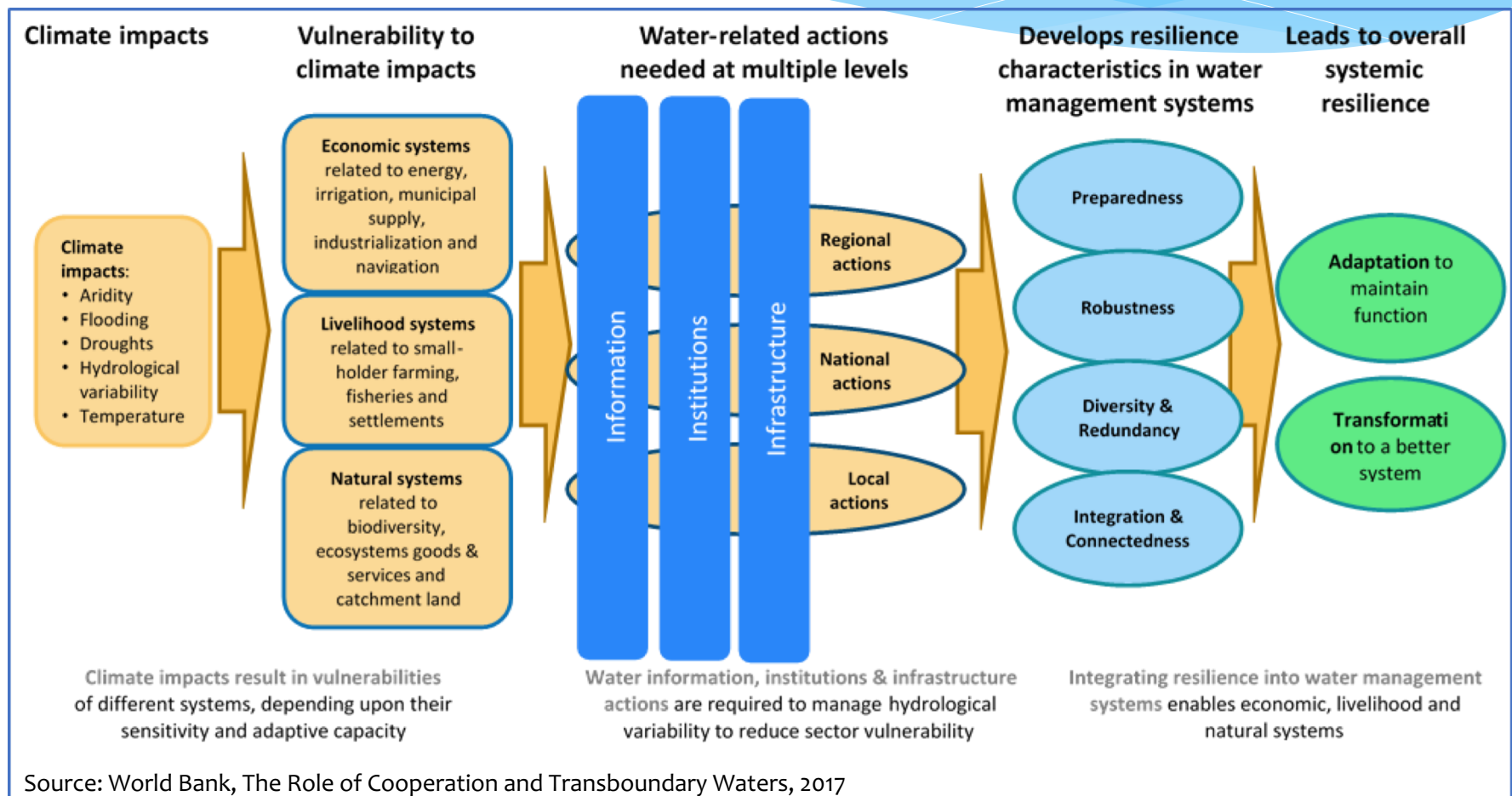


Outline

- Climate change as transboundary challenge
- Work on climate change adaptation in transboundary basins under the Water Convention, focusing on financing issues
- Financing Climate Change Adaptation in Transboundary Basins

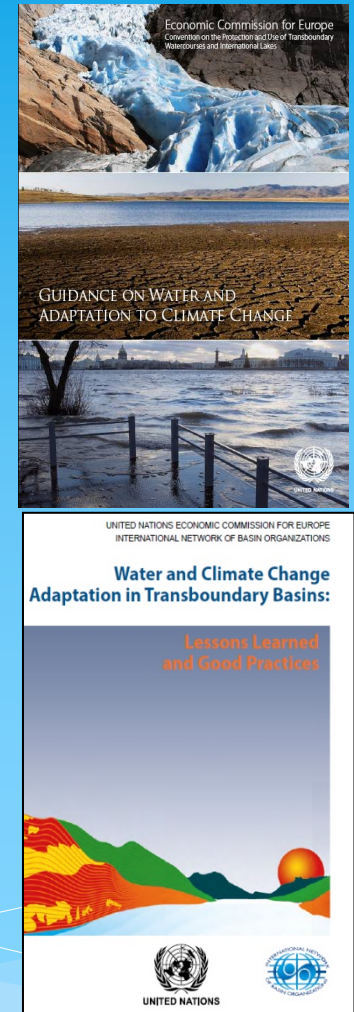


Building resilience to climate change in transboundary waters



Activities on adaptation to Climate Change under the Water Convention

- Task Force on Water and Climate since 2006
- Guidance on Water and Adaptation on Climate Change as a roadmap towards adaptation of water management to climate change (2009) - used worldwide in basins
- Pilot projects such as Chu Talas, Dniester, Sava and platform of sharing of experience
- Publication on Water and Climate Adaptation in Transboundary Basins: Lessons learned and Good Practices (with INBO in 2015), recently in Russian
- Global network of basins working on water and climate (14 members worldwide) with regular meetings: April 2016 meeting focused on finance
- Regular workshops on Water and Climate Change Adaptation in Transboundary Basins (last one on financing held in September 2016)
- Input to global processes (UNFCCC, ISDR)

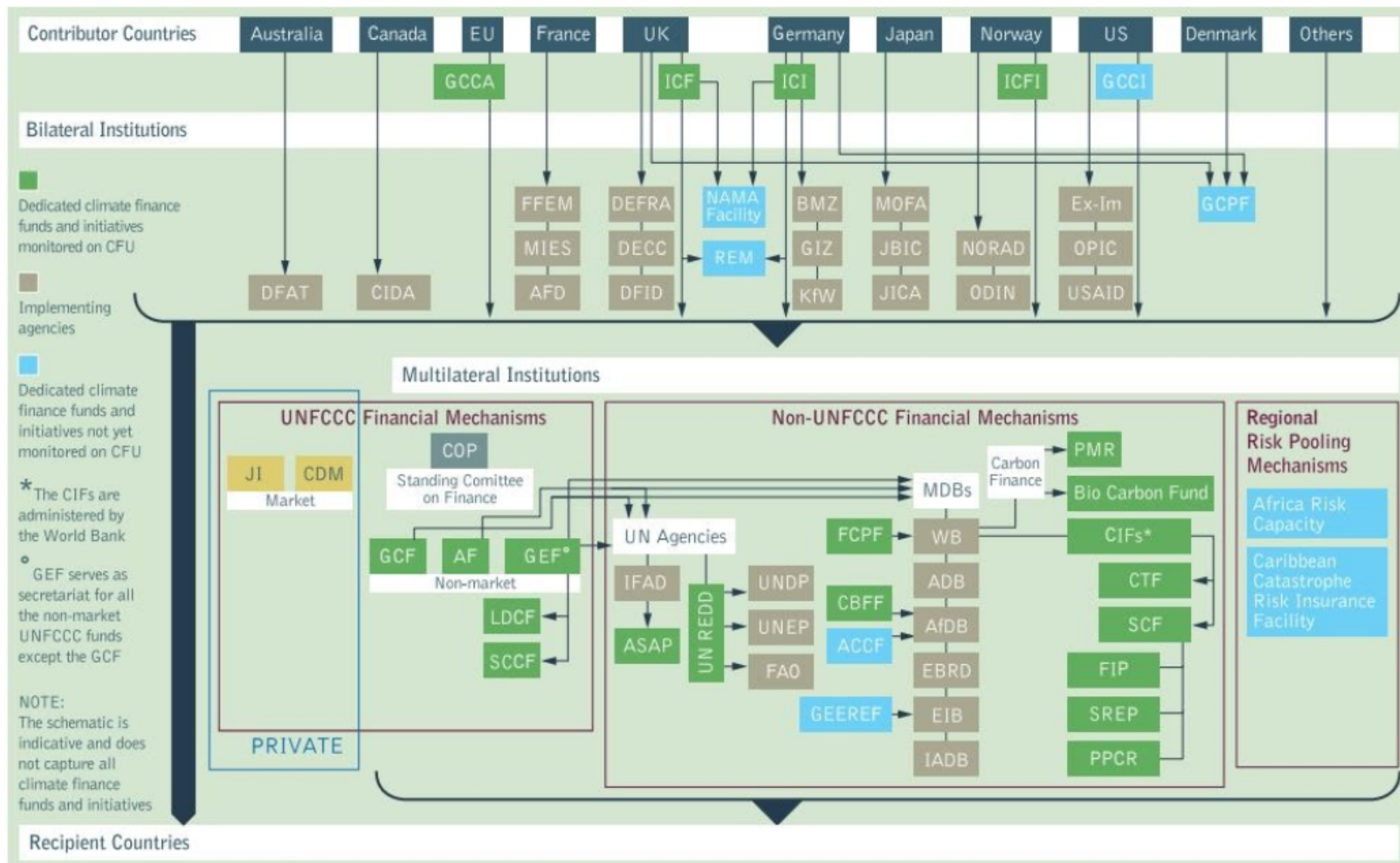


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- 61.8 Bio USD mobilized in 2014 by developed countries for developing countries to address climate change impacts
- Only 7% for adaptation and 16% for cross-cutting issues
- Challenges to financing for transboundary projects:
 - Complex climate finance architecture
 - Many funds not adapted to fund transboundary projects
- Only about 10 NDCs mention the transboundary dimension

Global Climate Finance Architecture

The architecture of the funds



Preparing Bankable Projects - Recommendations

- * Understand finance landscape and establish relationships with financing partners
- * Demonstrate clear understanding of adaptation needs and basin priorities
- * Identify, communicate and address specific risks
- * Ensure adaptation specific design
- * Demonstrate additionality and capture co-benefits
- * Make compelling argument for a transboundary approach

Lessons & Conclusions

- * Climate change a transboundary challenge
- * Awareness on transboundary cooperation needs for adaptation to be translated into planning and action
- * RBOs can play important role in coordinating adaptation and accessing finance
- * Capacity building and awareness raising on access to climate finance
- * Project preparation facilities to facilitate development of bankable projects

Thank you for your attention!

More information

<http://unece.org/env/water>

www.unece.org/env/water/water_climate_activ

<https://www2.unece.org/ehlm/platform/display/ClimateChange>

