



# The African Water Facility [AWF]

## *Towards Water for All By 2025* **Strategic Plan 2012-2016**

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# What is the AWF?

- ◆ An instrument for the successful implementation of the Africa Water Vision and Framework for Action for 2025
- ◆ An initiative led by the African Ministers' Council on Water (AMCOW) to mobilize resources to finance water resources development activities in Africa
- ◆ AfDB agreed to host the Facility at the request of AMCOW

# AWF Funding Partners

The amount of funds committed totals €130 m

- EC 
- Canada 
- France 
- Sweden 
- United Kingdom 
- Senegal 
- Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Denmark 
- Norway 
- Austria 
- Algeria 
- Spain 
- Australia 
- AfDB 

# ACHIEVEMENTS

- ❖ Since 2006, AWF has funded 68 projects in 36 countries, including most of Africa's fragile States.
- ❖ The investments are estimated at approximately €80 million.
- ❖ Multinational projects extended the reach of the Facility's support to 50 of the continent's 53 countries.

# REVISION OF THE STRATEGY BASIS AND REASONS

After 5 years, an effectiveness assessment of the AWF has been undertaken to review the operational activities and the institutional set-up



- Prioritization of projects and thematic areas should respond to African priorities such as to contribute to reduce the principal constraints to progress : investment, institutions and knowledge uptake.
- Increase the impacts of the grants through a reduction of the areas of it intervention.

# Strategic Priorities for the Facility within the five-year period 2012-2016

- 1. Prepare Bankable Projects** for effective and sustainable investments (70% of the overall budget)
- 2. Enhance Water Governance** to create the conducive environment for effective and sustainable investments (15% of the overall budget)
- 3. Promote Water Knowledge** for the preparation of viable projects and informed governance leading to effective and sustainable investments (15% of the overall budget)

## **Recipients Eligible for AWF Financing**

- Central Government/Ministry or Agencies
- Local Government/Municipalities
- NGOs/CSO
- Community Based Organisations (CBO)
- Regional, sub-regional and sectoral organization (i.e. Regional Economic Organization)
- River Basin Organizations
- NGOs and CSOs will need to fulfill criteria establishing their credibility and track record in the water sector

# Project Eligibility

## **Receivability Criterias**

- *Is the Applicant's legal statute in conformity with the criteria's of eligibility to resources of the AWF?*
- *Does the area of intervention of the proposal correspond to AWF strategic priorities?*

*Applications need to fulfill both admissibility criteria. If this is not the case inform applicant by letter.*

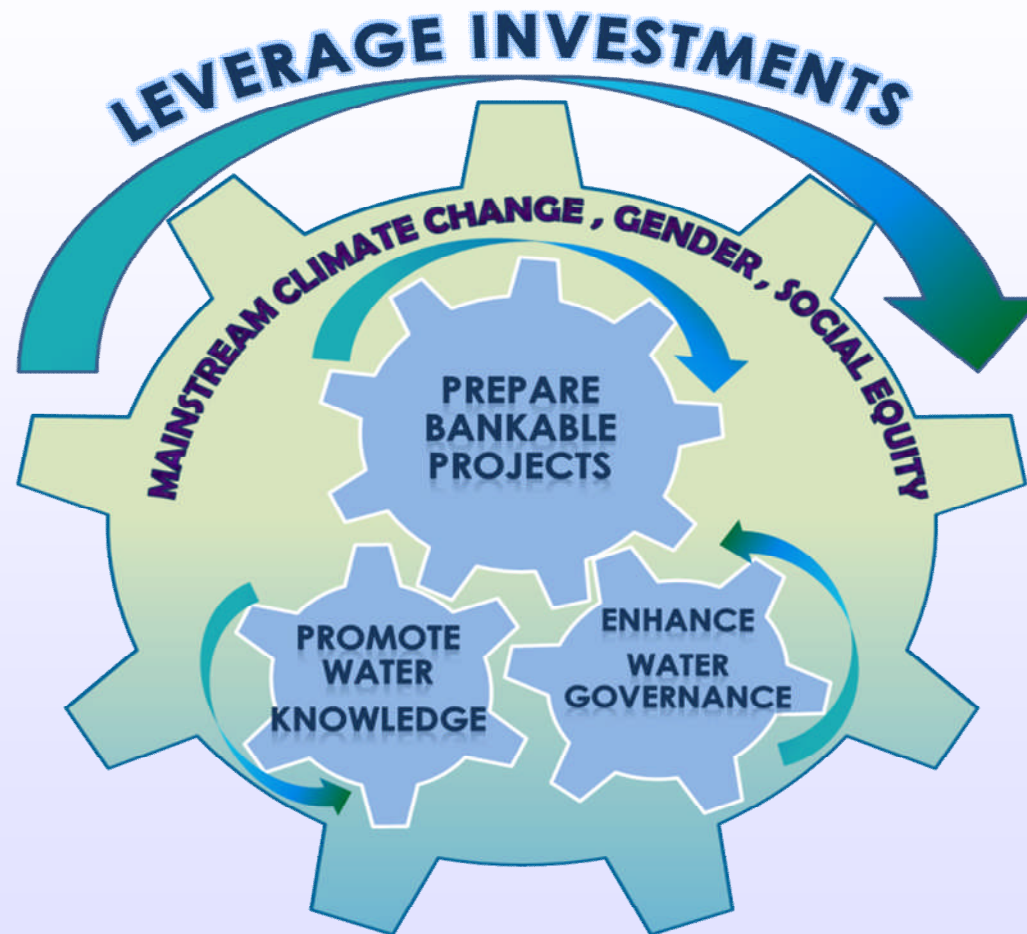
## **Eligibility Criterias**

***Eligibility of Recipient*** (*Duly signed application letter ? Endorsement letter available if NGO application? Management Capacity? Financial Capacity? Technical capacity?*)

***Eligibility of action*** (*Application follows AWF format? Requested AWF grant between 50k to 5 million Euro? Quality of proposed methodology? Credible institutional set-up for implementation? Credible institutional set-up for implementation? Innovative aspects? Environmental, Gender, socio-economic aspects & climate resilience considered? (Financial) leverage effect? Relevance / national priority?*)



# Mutually reinforcing strategic priorities



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Thank you for your  
attention!



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