

# The International Climate Initiative

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**IKI**



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# International Climate Initiative (IKI)



- Since 2008, IKI has been financing climate and biodiversity projects in developing, emerging, and transition countries
- More than 800 projects with a current funding volume of approximately 5 billion Euro
- Project selection through idea competitions for the thematic and country calls across 4 funding areas
- ODA eligibility as a prerequisite for receiving IKI funds

**Mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions**

**Adaptation to the impacts of climate change**

**Conservation of biodiversity**

**Conservation of natural carbon sinks**  
Focus on reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation (REDD+)

# International Climate Initiative (IKI)

Structure

## Bilateral approach



### Country calls



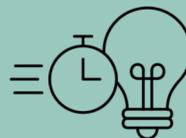
### Interface projects



## Thematic approach



### Thematic calls



### Small scale programmes

IKI Small Grants



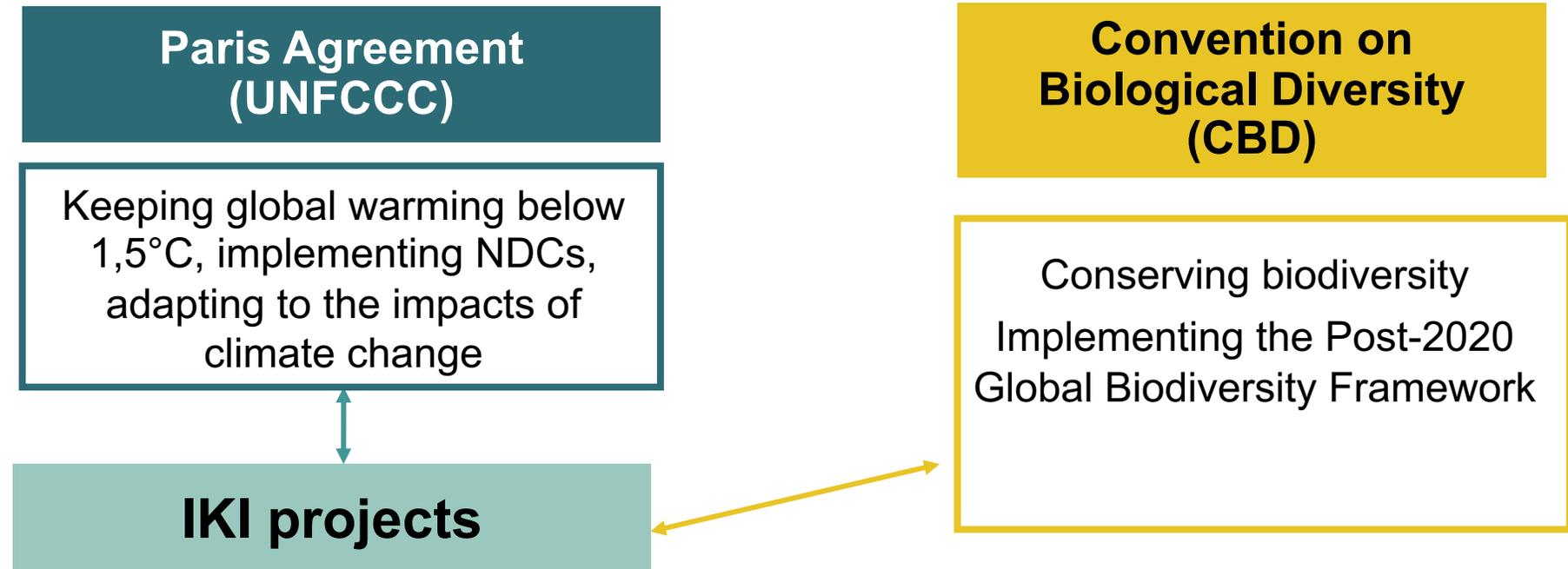
IKI Medium Grants



# IKI in the global climate and biodiversity context

Support for the implementation of international agreements

# 1,5°



# New IKI Gender Strategy

- **Launched at COP26** in November 2021.
- Consideration and targeted promotion of **gender justice** will be systematically anchored in all IKI processes and structures.
- **5 strategic fields of action** are defined and structure the IKI Gender Action Plan (in development).
- **Gender Help Desk at IKI Office** for all questions concerning planning & implementation of IKI projects → [iki-gender@z-u-g.org](mailto:iki-gender@z-u-g.org).



# IKI Independent Complaint Mechanism – how does it work?

## Which complaints?

Violation of environmental or social safeguards

Improper use of public funds or economic crime

Reprisals as a result from cooperating with IKI ICM.

## What is the process?

Formal complaint.

2 procedures  
Review procedure (compliance) or problem-solving procedure (mediation).

Panel of 3 independent experts leads investigations.

## Who can complain and how are they protected?

All project-affected persons can complain.  
To protect complainants and whistleblowers, the anonymity of complainants are guaranteed, including through an anonymous mailbox.

## When is the IKI ICM functional?

The complaints mechanism is expected to be fully operational by mid-2022.

The Office of the IKI ICM can already be reached at [IKI-complaints@z-u-g.org](mailto:IKI-complaints@z-u-g.org).

# What does this mean for me in the implementation of an IKI project?



- Inform all project stakeholders, project partners and particularly project-affected persons about the IKI independent complaint mechanism and how to submit a complaint, e.g. in meetings, workshops, etc.



- Publish the IKI ICM on project websites etc (if applicable)



- In case you have your own complaint mechanism: obligation to inform IKI/project manager of complaints within 72 h



- Cooperate with the independent expert panel in case of complaints (facilitate on-site visits etc.)

# Protecting nature and people: IKI Safeguards

Environmental and social standards enhancing the positive impact of IKI projects

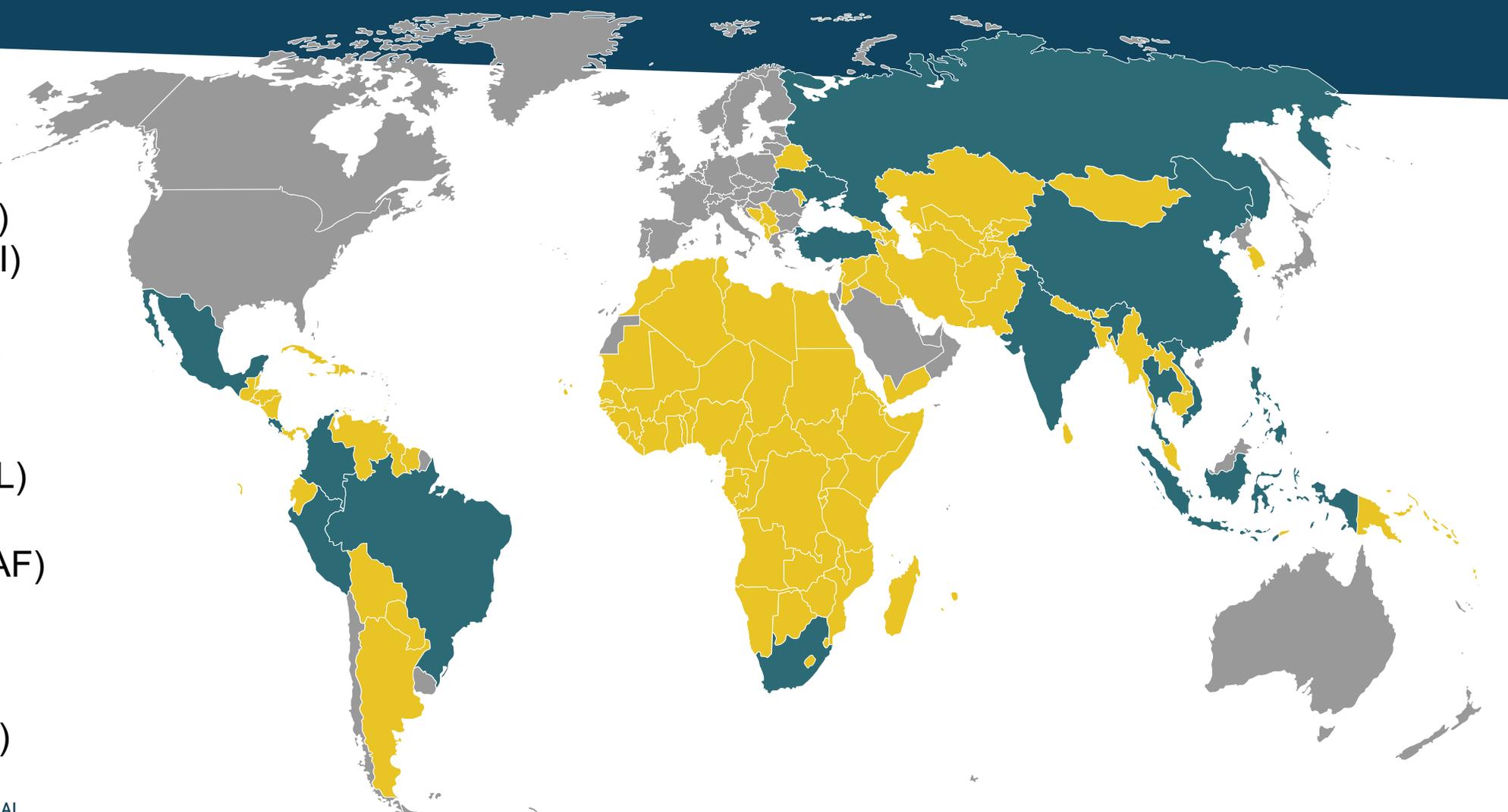
- Assessment of environmental and human rights risks
  - > working conditions,
  - > involuntary resettlement,
  - > threats to ecosystems
- Planning of adequate safeguards measures to mitigate risks and to enhance the positive impact of IKI projects on nature and people
- Integration of safeguards risks in monitoring and evaluation
- All IKI projects apply Green Climate Fund standards / IFC Performance Standards since 2017.



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# IKI priority countries

- Brazil (BRA)
- China (CHN)
- Colombia (COL)
- Costa Rica (CRI)
- India (IND)
- Indonesia (IDN)
- Mexico (MEX)**
- Peru (PER)
- Philippines (PHL)
- Russia (RUS)
- South Africa (ZAF)
- Thailand (THA)
- Turkey (TUR)
- Ukraine (UKR)
- Viet Nam (VNM)



# Role of IKI interface projects

## 13 interface projects in IKI priority countries, including Mexico

- The interface projects and their network represent an essential part of the IKI work in our partner countries.
- Pooling of information on the IKI portfolio and specific topics in the partner country that are relevant to IKI.
- They foster cooperation between IKI projects and create room for exchange and synergies (for example through IKI interface workshops, websites like [iki-peru.com](http://iki-peru.com))
- Regular meetings between interface projects and the respective IKI divisions and ZUG to share information.
- IKI interface newsletter to inform on current developments in the portfolio.

# IKI cooperation with Mexico

## IKI in Mexico:

- IKI cooperation since 2008, committed partners in the fight against climate change and loss of biodiversity.
- Ongoing projects: **6 bilateral and 31 global and regional** projects, with a focus on mitigation, adaptation and biodiversity.

## Upcoming:

- New bilateral projects: Currently there are 2 bilateral projects in preparation, including the country call project on land-use planning and financial innovation with a volume of 30 Mio. EUR.
- New regional & global projects: Furthermore, 5 new regional & global projects will start operating soon.

# The new post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF)

Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)

- New long-term agreement under the CBD for the period 2021-2050
- Successor to the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity and the 20 Aichi Targets.
- Target framework (2050 Goals, 2030 Milestones & Action Targets) & Implementation mechanisms (funding, capacity development, etc).

## Post-2020 GBF targets

Goal 3: **Protect** 30% of ecosystems by 2030 (30x30 target)

Goal 7: Reduce **pollution**: nitrogen -50%, pesticides -66%, plastics-100%)

Goal 8: **Mitigation / adaptation to climate change using ecosystem-based approaches / NbS**

Goal 11: Preservation of **ecosystem services** using ecosystem approach / NbS

Goal 18: Reduce **biodiversity-damaging subsidies** by 500 billion USD

# Nature for Health Trust Fund for Pandemic Prevention

- IKI funding 50 Mio. EUR
- CBD draft Global Action Plan for Biodiversity and Health
- holistic - further evidence of the links between biodiversity, climate and health -> measures to prevent future pandemics.



# German Climate Action Governance

Act, strategy, programmes

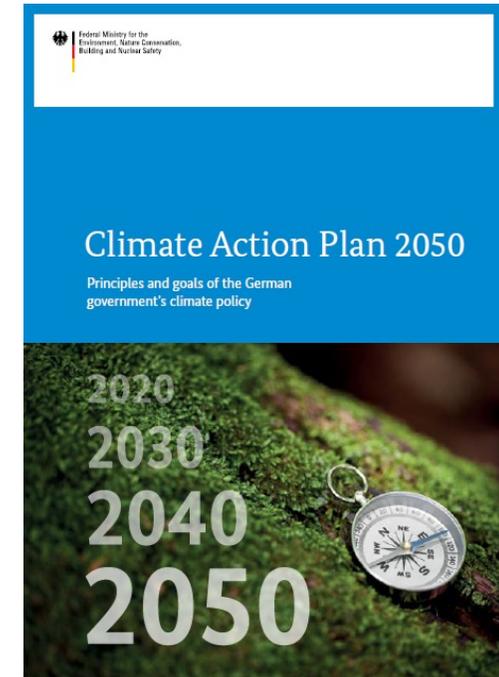
- **German Federal Climate Change Act**

Legal framework with targets and sectoral annual emission budgets (adopted 2019/2021): **2030: –65%; 2040: –88%; 2045: carbon-neutral.** Support for political dialogue with partner governments and other stakeholders.

- **2050 Climate Action Plan** > Germany's long-term strategy in accordance with the Paris Agreement (adopted 2016)

- Climate Action Programme 2030 > Measures 2020–2030; mitigation target: –65% vs. 1990

- **Renewable energy:** Aim of reaching a share in electricity consumption of 80% in 2030 and nearly 100% in 2035; currently at 41%



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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# Focus on NDC support

## The Paris Agreement (PA)

- NDC revision process in 2020/21: Increased ambition, but not on a 1.5°C pathway.
- EU NDC: Increased mitigation target to 55%; Germany: 65% until 2030
- Positive signals: Climate Neutrality pledges, but NDCs and other shorter-term targets not consistent
- Glasgow Climate Pact (COP 26) requires:
  - Increase NDC targets until COP27
  - Submit LTS until COP27
  - Align NDC and LTS

## NDC Support by IKI

- NDC Partnership is a key partner
- IKI country calls focus on NDC support
- Ambition Initiative of NAMA-Facility
- Focus now:
  - Implementation of updated NDCs
  - New high quality LTS; cooperation with 2050 Pathways Platform and NDC Partnership
  - Alignment of LTS and NDC

# Reporting, monitoring & evaluation of IKI projects

mandatory  
(project)

- Annual interim reports on project progress, context changes and learning experiences
- Final project report and proof of use

complementary  
(project)

- Half-yearly updates
- News, pictures & videos for the website, Twitter & newsletter

mandatory  
(IKI Secretariat)

- All large joint projects are subject to a midterm evaluation according to the IKI evaluation criteria
- Final reviews to assess impact & sustainability

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(IKI Secretariat)

- Selected projects are subject to accompanying impact evaluation from planning to beyond completion