DRIVING CLIMATE AMBITION THROUGH RESULTS-BASED FINANCE

The Climate Emissions Reduction Facility (CERF)

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WHAT IS CERF?

The **Climate Emissions Reduction Facility (CERF)** is a new Umbrella Trust Fund that will consolidate all the Bank’s Results-Based Climate Finance (RBCF) work.

CERF provides **climate finance at scale** – $40 - $60 million per project – paid out during project operation to reward generation of verified emissions reductions.

CERF can support WBG projects in three sector pillars: (i) **natural climate solutions**, (ii) **sustainable infrastructure**, and (iii) **green fiscal and financial sector actions**.

CERF operations will incorporate the outcomes of **the Paris Agreement and the Glasgow Climate Pact**.

CERF incorporates over 20 years of lessons in RBCF to **mainstream processes into World Bank operations to simplify steps** to obtain and disburse funding.

CERF-supported projects create Emission Reduction Credits (ERCs) to help meet **increased ambition in NDCs and participate in voluntary and compliance offset markets**.
Several work streams require attention, including:

- DP contribution commitments
- Finalize details of COP27 capitalization & comms/visibility
- Further develop & advance methodological framework(s)
- Bring business development architecture fully online
CERF DEVELOPMENT IS PROGRESSING WELL TOWARDS COP27 ANNOUNCEMENT...

✓ **Methodological Framework:** WB team has continued to develop the CERF MF & will present a draft (that focuses on Pillar 1) for discussion at these meetings. Work for Pillar 2 and Pillar 3 on-going.

✓ **Development Partner (DP) Engagement:** Continued bilateral discussions with potential DPs (including philanthropies).

✓ **WB Senior Management Engagement:** Team has briefed WB SMT, which is now actively fundraising & cascading support for CERF to operational teams.

✓ **Early Pipeline Development:** Initial outreach to some regions & global units has occurred, and very early ideas for CERF projects are being formulated.

✓ **Internal Organization:** Climate Funds Management is organizing itself to be able to operationalize CERF as soon as it is capitalized.
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