



CDKN INNOVATION FUND

The first deadline for applications to the Innovation Fund is: 28th October 2011, 17:00 (GMT+1).

The CDKN Innovation Fund supports innovative thinking **and** innovative action. It is designed as an open competitive fund to provide fast-moving support for creative initiatives in the field of climate change and international development

It is flexible in order to catalyze a range of different project types, scales of operation and projects in different stages of development.

The Innovation Fund is structured around two stages.

- Stage 1 provides support for organisations/partnerships in designing and developing innovative projects on climate compatible development. This will be supported through an **innovation process**, and the outcomes of this process will include a project proposal.
- Stage 2 focuses on **innovative research projects**, and provides funding for organisation/partnerships to implement (a) research projects that emerge from Stage 1, as well as 'fast-track' research proposals which do not need support through Stage 1.

Applicants should either apply for Stage 1 (Innovation Process), with the potential to go through to Stage 2 on completion, or apply to be fast-tracked to Stage 2 (Research Projects only).

The overall budget for this round of the CDKN Innovation Fund is £1.1 million and CDKN invites applications that fall under one of the following themes:

- Climate compatible development strategies and plans
- Improving developing countries' access to climate finance
- Strengthening resilience through climate-related disaster risk management

For full information including guidance documents and details on application processes and eligibility criteria, please visit the [CDKN website](#), or contact the CDKN Innovation Fund Team on innovationfund@cdkn.org