

# African Development Bank (AfDB)

## Green Growth Strategy

Ensuring Sustainability of Africa's Development

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Partnership (PEP)

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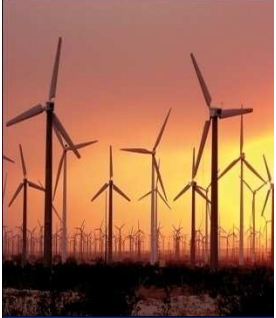
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# Outline

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- Why a Green Growth Strategy for Africa?
  - Objectives
  - Key areas of action
  - Design Process
- Key messages and Way Forward





# BACKGROUND



# AFDB and Green Growth



□ **Green Growth for AfDB is all about achieving sustainable development through:**

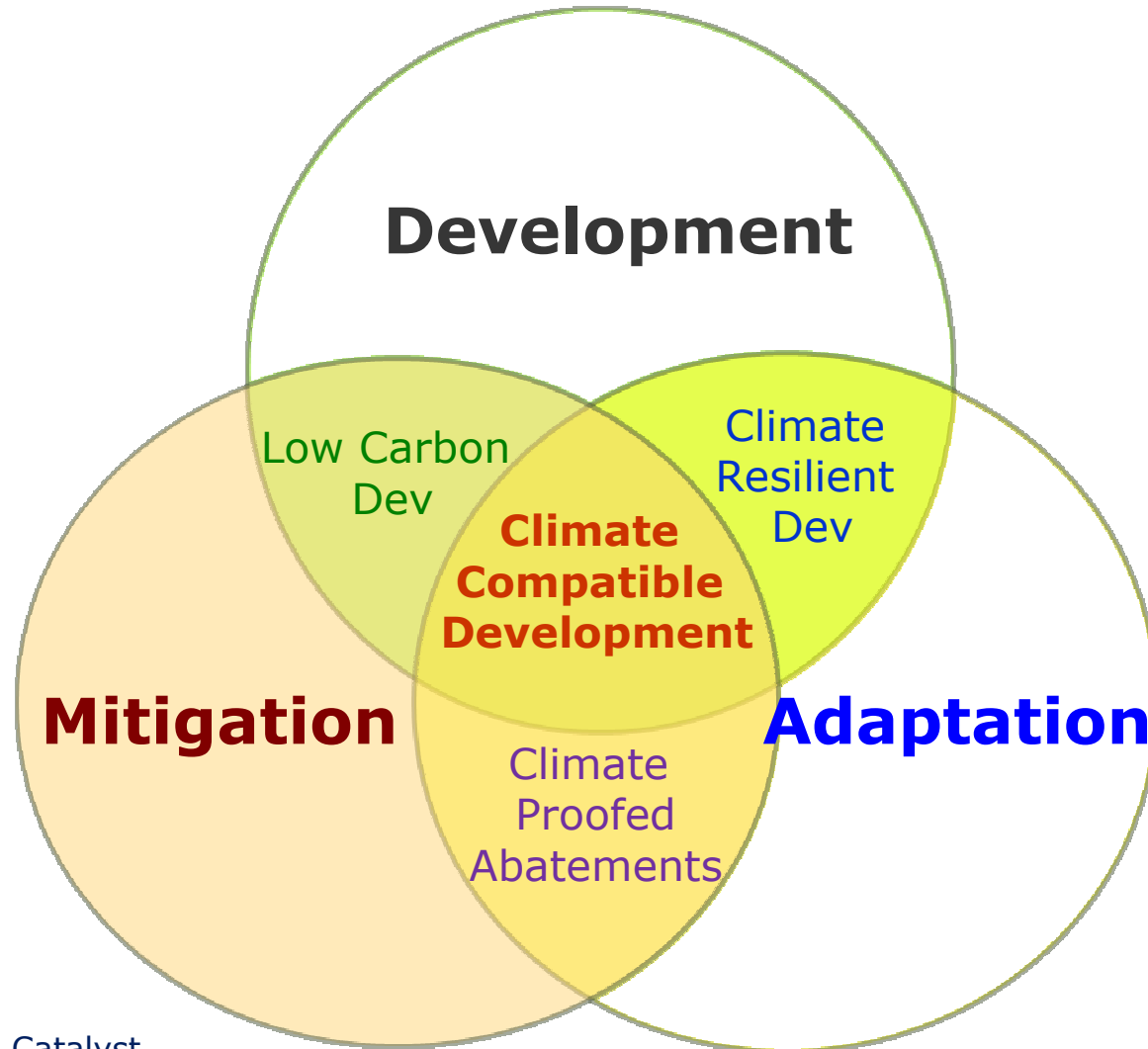
- Economic growth
- Environment, climate resilience and low carbon development,
- Sustainable improvement of living conditions (poverty reduction and social justice)





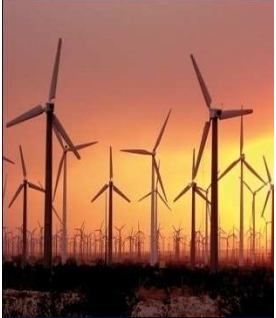
# Climate Change and Development

In Africa, climate change is all about development



Source: Catalyst, 2009





# Why a Green Growth Strategy for Africa





## Alignment with Bank's Mission

### The Green Growth Strategy will:

- Support a low carbon intensive development and ensure sustainability
- Strengthen the Bank's Medium Term Strategy (2008-2012) and Sector Strategies
- Support the existing Bank's Climate Change Policies for climate resilient and low carbon development:
  - **Clean Energy Investment Framework**
  - **Climate Risk Management and Adaptation Strategy**
  - **Integrated Climate Change Action Plan**



# Objectives

Ensuring Sustainable and Equitable Economic Growth; and Climate and Environment Protection

Establishing a Framework to foster innovation

Identifying needs/potentials; Pilot projects/Best Practices; and Constraints

Designing a Green Growth Strategy based on Africa's concerns

Providing a strategic orientation

Ensuring efficient use of natural capital

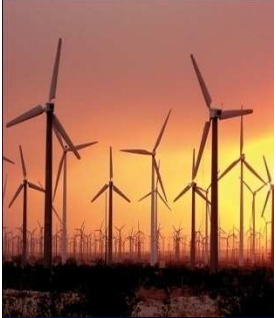
Promoting best practices and good policies





## Key areas of action

- ❑ Green agricultural practices
- ❑ Green technologies
- ❑ Sustainable trade
- ❑ **Sustainable use of natural resources**
- ❑ Clean industrial development
- ❑ Sustainable transport
- ❑ **Clean Energy**
- ❑ Green jobs
- ❑ Waste Management
- ❑ **Socially appropriate growth**



# Design process of the Green Growth Strategy





# Conception

## □ Preparation

- Work Plan and Concept Note
- Fact findings at different levels

## □ Design

- Data Analysis
- Definition of Indicators, output & impact

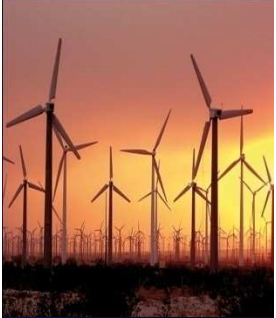


- **Draft AfDB Green Growth Strategy**
- **Draft National Green Growth Strategies**  
*(Easily adaptable to specific country needs)*

## □ Peer Review/Adoption/Board Approval

- Stakeholders' Meetings for harmonization/adoption
- Board approval





## Implementation

### □ Implementation of AfDB's Strategy

- Political Orientation of Bank
- Harmonization with existing Bank policies
- Implementation Action Plan

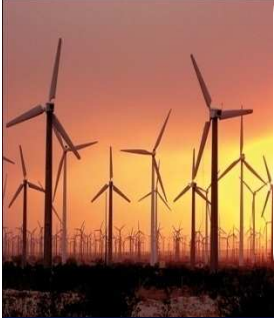
### □ Implementation of 5 Pilot Strategies

- Selection of pilot countries based on economic, social and political variations
- Implementation in Key Sectors

## Evaluation

### □ Revision and way forward





## Lessons Learnt/Best Practices

- **Within the Bank**
- **At national level in the 5 Pilot RMCs**
- **At regional and international levels**

## Scaling Up

- **Supporting the scaling up of national Green Growth Strategies**
- **Monitoring how they are adapted and implemented, through Bank regional offices**



# Summary of the Process



## Conception

- AfDB Green Growth for Africa
- Pilot Green Growth Strategies in RMCs



## Implementation

- AfDB Green Growth for Africa
- 5 Pilot Green Growth Strategies



## Evaluation

- Lessons learnt
- Dialogue with stakeholders
- Revision/Adoption/way forward



## Scaling Up

- Best practices/lessons learnt
- Monitoring of national strategies



## Key messages and Way Forward

- A Green Growth Strategy can make Africa in the long term a potential pole of economically, **socially and environmentally sustainable growth**
- **Huge challenges** need to be addressed, including appropriate political framework & regulations, appropriate technologies, financing, etc.
- Bank initiative to establish the **Africa Green Fund (AGF)** is part of the solution
- **Partnership is key** for the development of the Green Growth Strategy for Africa





We are all sitting in the same boat

Thank you!

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