

# The International Climate Initiative (ICI)

An innovative financing mechanism for global climate protection

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## Objectives of the International Climate Initiative

- Contribution towards implementation of the Bali Road Map
- Support for partner countries: mitigation and adaptation
- Conservation of biodiversity with CO<sub>2</sub> – sink and/or adaptive functions
- Exemplary, innovative financing mechanism

## The Climate Initiative: Auctioning emission certificates for climate protection

- Auctioning of emission certificates started 2008 (8,8% of the certificates, German companies, industry' payments for emissions)
- 400 Mio € of the revenues were earmarked in the federal budget to the new Climate Initiative of the BMU
- National component: 280 Mio € (support for energy efficient buildings, RE)
- International component: 120 Mio €
- New and additional funds!

## Thematic priorities of the ICI

- Conservation of ecosystems and sustainable use of natural resources that play an important role as CO<sub>2</sub> sinks &/or proven relevance to adaptation
- Measures for “climate-proofing” of PAs management
- Measures for adaptation to climate change
- Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Degradation (REDD)

ICI builds on synergies between climate change adaptation and mitigation, forest conservation, REDD, protection of biodiversity and ecosystem services

## LifeWeb Initiative

**Clearinghouse**

**Electronic Marketplace**

**Platform for Partnership Building**

### Main Objective:

- support the creation of new and improve management of existing protected areas

### Requirements:

Full Implementation of the CBD Programme of Work on PAs

### Specific Objectives

- Parties and local and indigenous communities are encouraged to publish protected area proposals along with the respective needs
- Donors (donor countries, development banks, NGOs, private sector, foundations) are provided with a comprehensive overview on specific funding needs and are enabled to better channel and coordinate their support
- Partnerships for the financing of new protected areas

## ICI and LifeWeb Initiative – One and the Same?

- **No! Two different German initiatives but related**
- **ICI is a bilateral funding mechanism financed through revenues from emission certificates with broader scope**
- **ICI finances concret projects that serve to further the multilateral “LifeWeb Initiative” of the CBD PoWPA**

### **GOAL**

- **Support the creation of new and improve management of existing protected areas**
- **Support projects that demonstrate the role that protected areas play in addressing climate change (COP9 Decision IX/18 e)**

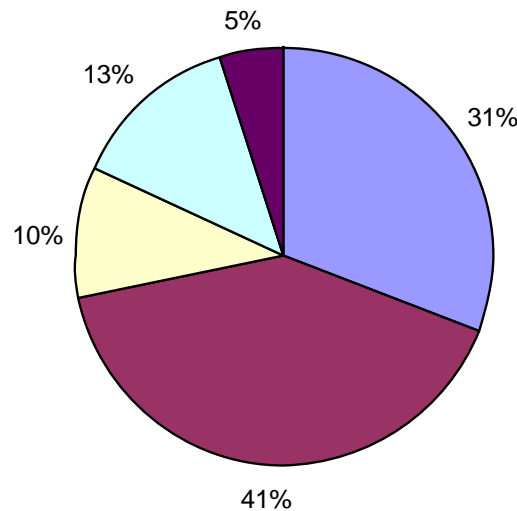







## 2008 Projects of the ICI

- An overall of 100 projects have been commissioned in 2008
- Projects in 27 countries and several regions have been supported in 2008
- 12 out of 100 projects are Adaptation to climate change projects
  - 16 out of 100 projects are LifeWeb projects
    - New Marine Protected Areas in the Coral Triangle
    - Advancing the Micronesia Challenge through New PAs
- 4 out of 100 projects are Sustainable Management of Natural Resources

## Thematic allocation of supported projects in 2008

**Project Categories**



-  Adaptation
-  LifeWeb Initiative/Climate-relevant Biodiversity/Protected Area Management
-  Management of Natural Resources/REDD
-  Policy Support
-  Marine and Coastal Protection Management



## Criteria for project selection

- Integration of climate change measures into PAs design, planning & management strategies
- Conservation, rehabilitation, sustainable use of climate-relevant biodiversity (carbon sinks, proven relevance in relation to human adaptation/benefit, hot spots of biodiversity/hot spots of carbon sequestration, reasonable CO<sub>2</sub> monitoring)
- Positive impact on resilience of ecosystems&people
- Adaptation effects to climate change
- Innovative, exemplary character of projects
- Multiplier effect (leveraging additional resources)
- Support by the partners (ownership)
- Direct and economically efficient mitigation effect

## Further Funding Process

- information on the funding process available on the website of the BMU:

([www.bmu.de/klimaschutzinitiative](http://www.bmu.de/klimaschutzinitiative))

- including the requirements for funding
- Including forms for the application process

**Thank you for your attention!**

**For more information:**

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