



ADAPTATION FUND

Ethics and the Adaptation Fund

How the Adaptation Fund guarantee the independence and impartiality?

- **Oath of service:** rules of procedure of the Adaptation Fund Board (VII Confidentiality and conflict of interest)
- **Code of Conduct:** developed by the Committee of Ethics and Finance and approved by the Board.
- **Committee of Ethics and Finance:** Among other duties, oversee the implementation of the Code of Conduct and address differences in its interpretation as well as consequences of breach of the Code of Conduct;



OATH OF SERVICE

Shall be **taken** and **respected** by each member and alternate member

Obligations:

- not disclose, even after the termination of the functions, any information marked confidential
- disclose immediately any conflict of interest : *further developed by the code of conduct*
 - At each meeting in relation to any items on the agenda.
 - Immediately during the discussions

Implications:

- Not participate in all related deliberations and decision-making



Code of Conduct of the Adaptation Fund

Objective:

- identify cases of conflict of interest in the participation of Board members and alternates and the staff of the secretariat
- apply the related procedures

What is a case of conflict of interest?

- Activities, including business, government or financial interests which might influence his/her ability to discharge his/her duties and responsibilities objectively;
- Any financial, contractual or personal relationship or link with an Implementing Entity seeking or receiving funding from the Fund, or with an Executing Entity involved in a project/programme proposal submitted to or in execution under the Adaptation Fund;
- Activities or interests of his/her spouse or personal partner or dependant that would influence his/her work with respect to the subject matter being considered by the Board or its advisory bodies;
- Any actual or perceived conflicts of interest of a direct or indirect nature of which s/he is aware and which s/he believes could compromise in any way the reputation or performance of the Board or its advisory bodies.



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Procedure

- Disclose before starting consideration of a subject matter, at personal discretion
 - could seek the advice of the Chair
 - conflicts of interest related to the Committee's Chair may be raised with the Chair of the Board.

Implication

- Be absent during the deliberations and adoption of the recommendations or decisions



Thank you!

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