



# Global EbA Fund

Providing catalytic support to create enabling environment for  
Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA)



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# Agenda



## Part 1 (will be recorded)

- Introduction and background to the Fund
- Objectives and Action Pillars
- Project proposal selection criteria
- Process and timelines
- Funding streams
- Proposal development tips

## Part 2

- Question and answer (Q&A) session



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- **Implemented by:** UNEP and IUCN
- **Funded by:** International Climate Initiative (IKI) under the Federal Ministry for Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection
- **Duration:** 2021 – 2028



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# Purpose of the Fund



The **Global EbA Fund** is a catalytic funding mechanism for supporting innovative approaches to EbA to create enabling environment for its mainstreaming and scaling up.



The Fund helps to overcome barriers to upscaling EbA, address knowledge gaps, pilot innovative EbA approaches, engage in strategic EbA policy mainstreaming, and incentivise innovative finance mechanisms and private sector EbA investment.



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# What is EbA?



**Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA)** is the use of biodiversity and ecosystem services as part of an overall adaptation strategy to help people to adapt to the adverse effects of climate change (CBD, 2009 & 2010)



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# EbA Barriers

According to the “Harnessing Nature to Build Climate Resilience: Scaling Up the Use of Ecosystem-based Adaptation” report issued by UNEP in 2022, barriers to the use of EbA include:



Lack of awareness and understanding



Lack of sufficient knowledge and information for scaling up EbA



Technical capacity constraints.



Insufficient political and public support



Governance challenges



Finance challenges



Limited space for ecosystem-based adaptation

# Fund Objectives (The Why)



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# Fund Pillars (The How)



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## Pillar 1: Levers for Catalytic Change:

### Sub-sections:

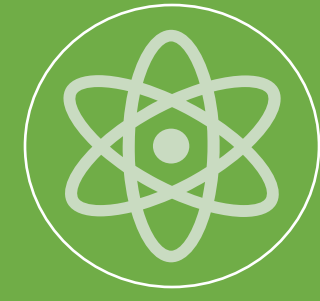
- Policy and policy instruments
- Education, capacity building and skills development
- Financing
- Working through the value chain perspective



## Pillar 2: Functional Data and Science

### Examples of activities:

- Climate risk and vulnerability assessments, including One Health
- Future scenario modelling
- Cost-benefit and multi-criteria analysis and making an economic case for EbA
- Job generation potential
- Traditional knowledge and technologies



## Pillar 3: Innovation for Adaptation

### Examples of activities:

- Developing unconventional partnerships
- Support the integration of EbA in novel sectors;
- Innovative tool for EbA implementation;
- Strategic pilot or demonstration, specifically where high potential exists for up-scaling through multilateral funds



# What We Fund



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# EbA Qualification Criteria & Quality Standards



**Element A:** Helps people adapt to climate change



**Criterion 1:**  
Reduces social & environmental vulnerabilities



**Criterion 2:**  
Generates societal benefits

**Element B:** EbA makes active use of biodiversity and ecosystem services



**Criterion 3:**  
Restores, maintains or improves ecosystem health

**Element C:** EbA is part of an overall adaptation strategy



**Criterion 4:**  
Is supported by policies at multiple levels



**Criterion 5:**  
Supports equitable governance and enhances capacities



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# Recipients of the Fund



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## The Global EbA Fund prioritise applicants that:

- are well-grounded in the proposed area of work
- have experience of the size and type of project proposed
- are inclusive of local communities, indigenous knowledge and gender perspectives
- partner with local organisations e.g. CBOs, local NGOs etc

## Legally-recognised entities are eligible:

- Local NGOs, INGOs & Community-based organisations
- Research organisations, Think tanks & Academic institutions
- Indigenous Peoples organisations
- Private sector companies

## Eligibility excludes:

- Government agencies, UNEP & IUCN offices



# How to Apply



Full project proposal submitted through the Online Platform:  
[Global EbA Fund - Global EbA Fund \(smapply.io\)](https://smapply.io)



## Global EbA Fund

Global EbA Fund is a funding mechanism for catalytic, innovative, and inclusive projects that aim to create an enabling environment for the implementation of Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA) to enhance the resilience of vulnerable communities and ecosystems to the impacts of climate change.

APPLY

Opens

11 Dec 2023 03:00 PM (CET)

Deadline

21 Apr 2024 11:59 PM (CEST)

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[👁️ Preview](#) [⋮](#)

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Status: In Progress

APPLICATION   ACTIVITY

### Your tasks

- ✓ Eligibility Screening  
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- ✓ Due Diligence and Financial Capacity Questionnaire  
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- ✓ Application Form  
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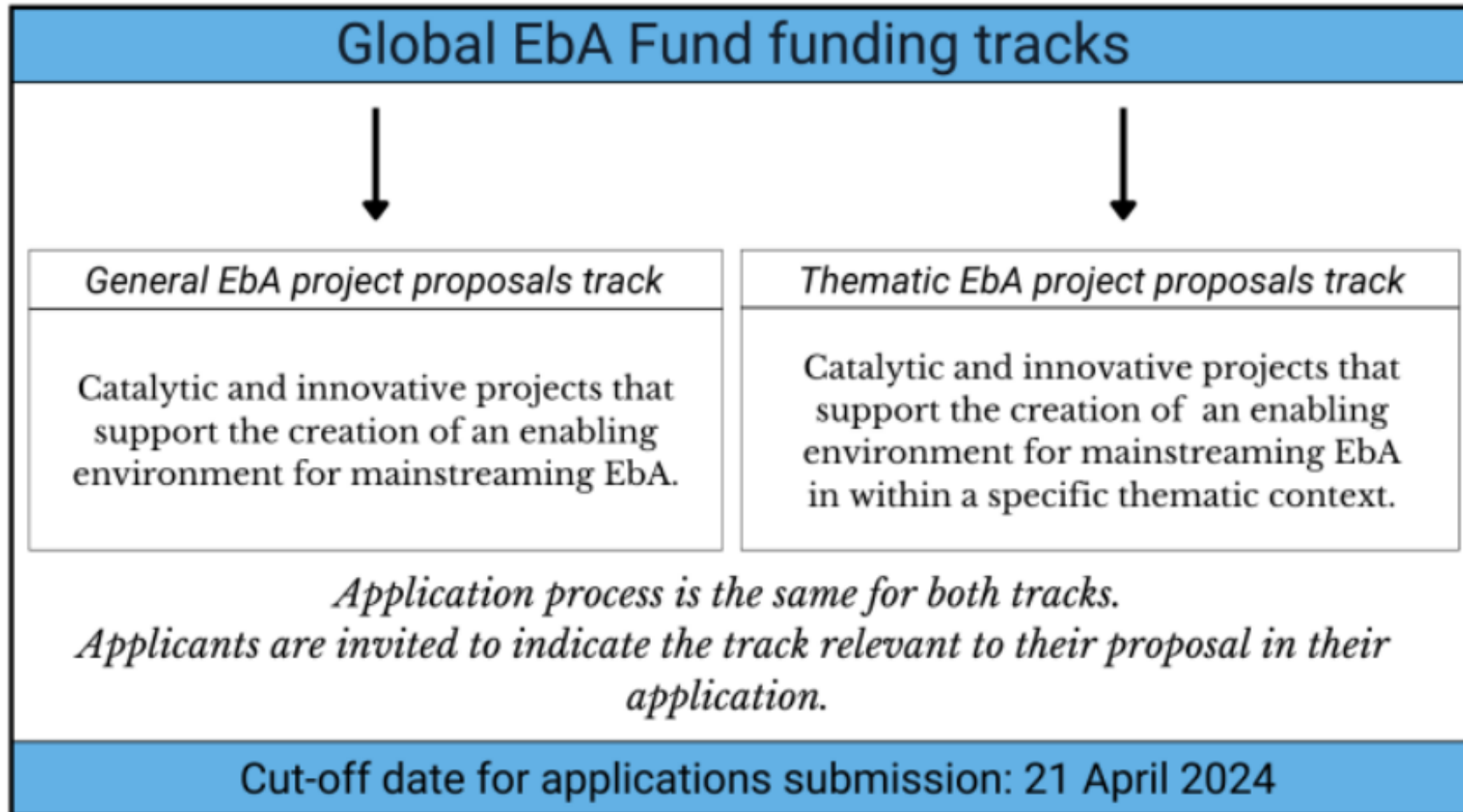
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7th cohort  
thematic track:

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# What to consider before applying:



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- ✓ Does my project qualify as EbA?
- ✓ Does my EbA project have catalytic and innovative potential to create enabling environment for EbA?
- ✓ Does my project fall under a max. 1 Strategic Objective and max. 2 Action Pillars of the Fund?
- ✓ Is my project Global or thematic or does my project target ODA-eligible country/ies?
- ✓ Is my project up to 24 months? If I'm requesting more than 36 months, is a justification for this length of time provided?
- ✓ Is my project between USD50,000 and USD250,000? If my project is up to USD500,000, is adequate justification for this amount provided?
- ✓ Are the lead applicant and partner organisations well-grounded in the proposed area of work, have previous similar experience, and are inclusive of local communities, Indigenous knowledge and gender perspective?
  - ✓ Does my project partner with local institutions/organisations (optional)?
- ✓ Are the lead applicant and partner organisations legally-recognised entities?
- ✓ Does the lead applicant comply with Due Diligence requirements of the Fund?



# Proposal Development Tips



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## Stay focused

One main outcome

Max of 4 outputs (2 recommended)

Max of 5 activities per each output



## Be clear & concise

Stay on point

Use scientific references

Demonstrate innovative & catalytic aspects

Avoid lengthy sentences



## Follow guidance

Read carefully and follow the guidance in the Grants Procedure Manual



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