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Call for Participants: Online – Mediterranean Training to Mobilize Green Climate Fund (GCF) Support for Water, Energy, Food, and Ecosystems (WEFE) Projects

Course Dates: 1 October – 5 November 2025 (5 weeks) + additional week allocated for proposal submission.

Format: Fully online, modular learning with live streamed sessions, group assignments, and peer-to-peer exchange, final proposal submission for certification.

Organizers: Union for the Mediterranean (UFM) and Arab Water Council (AWC)

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1. Course Overview

The Mediterranean Training to Mobilize Green Climate Fund (GCF) Support for Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystems (WEFE) Projects has been designed to strengthen capacities across the region in developing high-quality, GCF-ready proposals. This 5-week online course combines expert-led webinars, interactive group exercises, and practical assignments to guide participants through the full project cycle, from concept to submission.

Learning Objectives:

By the end of this course, you will be able to:



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- Understand the fundamentals of the Green Climate Fund (GCF), including its goals, operational framework, and funding mechanisms.
- Identify and assess climate change-related challenges and opportunities for the Water, Energy, Food, and Ecosystems (WEFE) Nexus in the Mediterranean/UfM region.
- Demonstrate practical skills to design, develop, and submit project proposals for GCF financing.
- Foster multi-sector collaboration to support an integrated approach to project development and financing.
- Share best practices, successful case studies, and lessons learned to formulate GCF-eligible project proposals.

2. Participant Eligibility & Group Composition

To foster multi-sectoral collaboration, applications must be submitted in **national teams** of at least **2–3 participants per country**. Each team must include representatives from **at least two** of the WEFE sectors (Water, Energy, Food and Ecosystems). We encourage multi-country teams.

Eligible Countries: The Call is primarily open to all Mediterranean countries eligible for GCF financing, including:

North Africa:

- Algeria
- Egypt
- Libya
- Morocco
- Tunisia

Eastern Mediterranean:

- Lebanon
- Syria
- Palestine
- Jordan



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Western Balkans:

- Albania
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Montenegro

Others:

- Turkey

The call is also open to all GCF-eligible countries worldwide interested in Mediterranean WEFE nexus approaches.

Country Team Profile Requirements:

- **Mid-career professionals**
- Minimum **5 years** of experience in at least two WEFE sectors
- Demonstrated track record in **project development**, proposal writing, or project management
- English fluency (written and spoken) is **required**
- Availability to participate in scheduled live sessions and complete assignments over the full 5-week period

3. Application Process

1. Who can apply: Application is open for all eligible country representatives from **Ministries, GCF accredited institutions, Private sector**, NGOs, research institutions, and other relevant organizations fulfilling the application criteria.
2. **Applicants from GCF National Designated Authorities (NDA) are particularly encouraged to form a team** (2–3 members) representing at least two WEFE sectors.
3. **Application Package:** applicant teams must submit via the AWC online portal (URL):
 - Completed **team application form** (provided by AWC)
 - **Individual CVs** (max. 3 pages each)



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- **Statement of motivation** (max. 500 words) explaining how participation will advance GCF readiness in home context
- 4. **Deadline for Submissions: 10 September 2025 (23:59 CET)**
- 5. **Final Selection Announcement: 15 September 2025**

4. Selection Criteria

Applications will be assessed against the following weighted criteria:

Criterion	Weight
Professional Experience & Skills	35%
• 5+ years in WEFE project development	
• Project Cycle Management (PCM), Results-Based Management (RBM), Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) knowledge	
Sectoral & Regional Expertise	25%
• At least two WEFE sectors	
• Knowledge of Mediterranean issues (local and regional)	
Team Composition & Collaboration	20%
• Diversity across sectors	
• Evidence of past teamwork experience	
GCF Familiarity & Motivation	10%
• Understanding of GCF basic modalities	
• Clear justification in motivation	
Gender & Inclusion	10%
• Gender balance within team	
• Inclusion of underrepresented groups	

Time Commitment:

- Live sessions: how many hours per week, time zones, etc?
- Self-paced learning: how many hours a week?
- Group work: how many hours per week
- Final proposal development:



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Technical Requirements:

- **Reliable internet connection**
- **Computer/laptop with camera and microphone**
- **Access to common office software (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)**

5. Course Fees & Funding

- The online course is fully supported by UFM and Sida, **No course fee for selected participants.**

6. Application, Contact & Further Information

For submission portal access, please apply through the following Link:
<https://forms.gle/EqEgQ6oNYregY99g9>

For further information or enquiries please contact:

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Apply Now and Join us in building a resilient Mediterranean through high-impact GCF-ready WEFE projects!