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The Climate Finance Accelerator (CFA) is looking for innovative climate projects and businesses: Share the call with your networks and supply chains

The [Climate Finance Accelerator South Africa \(CFA-SA\)](#) is a global technical assistance programme funded by the UK government to improve climate businesses and projects bankability by providing tailored capacity building and networking opportunities. CFA-SA is now accepting applications for the **2026 cohort**.

Applications are open from 10 December 2025 to 6 February 2026.

The value/benefit of the CFA



Tailored capacity building with financial, technical and GEDSI experts on a 1-2-1 basis



Support with achieving low carbon objectives through webinars and technical capacity building



Increase businesses visibility and provide access to investors and grant funders through engagements and at an in-country event – pitching to investors in an attempt to secure financial deals



Support with access to national and international networks



Address implementation barriers with policy makers

Applicants interested in applying should be:



Revenue-generating (for businesses) or at least at the post-feasibility stage (for projects) having completed a full feasibility study.



Seeking a minimum of US\$ 3 million in funding.



Core technologies proven at a minimum of Technology Readiness Level 7 - system commissioning, where full-scale pilot/product/service is demonstrating performance for the operational environment) ensuring readiness for investment and scalability.

We particularly welcome applications which demonstrate an impact in the energy, transport, waste management, water, or sustainable agriculture sectors.

The CFA does not act as a transaction adviser or broker, nor does it raise capital on behalf of participants. Instead, by engaging with the CFA, businesses and project developers will receive tailored and fully independent advice that will help them:

- Align with investor requirement
- Prepare more compelling investment documentation
- Navigate policy and regulatory considerations
- Build relationships that support outreach to potential financiers

The result will be improved investor readiness, a clearer path to profitability and impact visibility, and a stronger foundation for meaningful investor engagement. The CFA-SA will host an investor pitch day at the end of the capacity building period where successful applicants will pitch their climate innovations.

Since its launch, CFA South Africa has already facilitated close to \$100 million (ZAR 2 billion) in climate finance across its first three iterations. For details on past successes, visit the [**National Business Initiative \(NBI\) website**](#).

Before completing the application form, applicants should [**download and read the pdf**](#) which provides all the necessary guidance for your application, including types of questions asked and supporting documents required.

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