



## GEF Financing for the Albertine Rift Conservation and Climate Change Adaptation

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# About the GEF



- A financial mechanism established to protect the global environment and promote sustainable development.
- GEF supports developing countries and economies in transition on incremental cost of actions to protect the global environment.
- Financial mechanism for the CBD, UNFCCC, UNCCD, and POPs.
- Six Focal Areas: Biodiversity, Climate Change, Int'l Waters, Land Degradation, Ozone, POPs.

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## ■ NAPA development in all countries

### ■ Rwanda

- ❖ Conservation of the Montane Forest Protected Area System (\$5.45M)
- ❖ Integrated Management of Critical Ecosystems (\$4.3M)
- ❖ Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change by Establishing Early Warning and Disaster Preparedness Systems and Support for Integrated Watershed Management in Flood Prone Areas (\$3.16M)

### ■ Uganda

- ❖ Conservation of Biodiversity in the Albertine Rift Forest Areas of Uganda (\$3.4M)

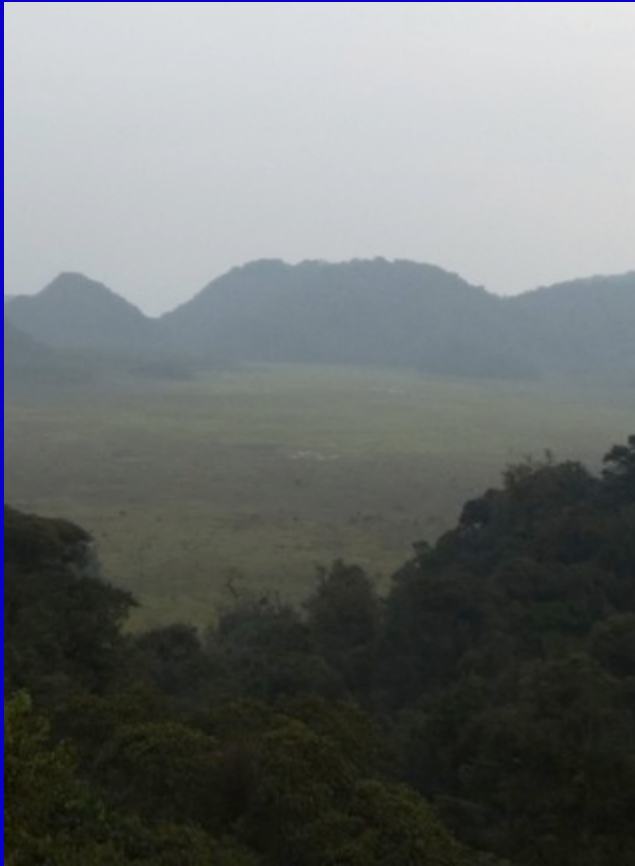
### ■ Burundi

- ❖ Improving Effectiveness of Protected Areas to Conserve Biodiversity (\$0.85M)

### ■ DRC

- ❖ Support ICCN's Program for the Rehabilitation of the DRC's National Parks Network (\$7M) – Garamba and Mikenno
- ❖ Forest and Nature Conservation Project (\$6M)

# Rwanda: CC Adaptation related Activities of the World Bank/GEF IMCE Project and TA on CC/SLM



- CC/SLM Inception Paper
- Develop guideline to mainstream climate change adaptation in production sectors.
- Assessment on climate change impact to and regulation services provided by Rwanda's important wetlands
- Development of Rwanda Biodiversity Information System
- Support information sharing and coordination on CC activities in Rwanda



# Biodiversity Program Objectives

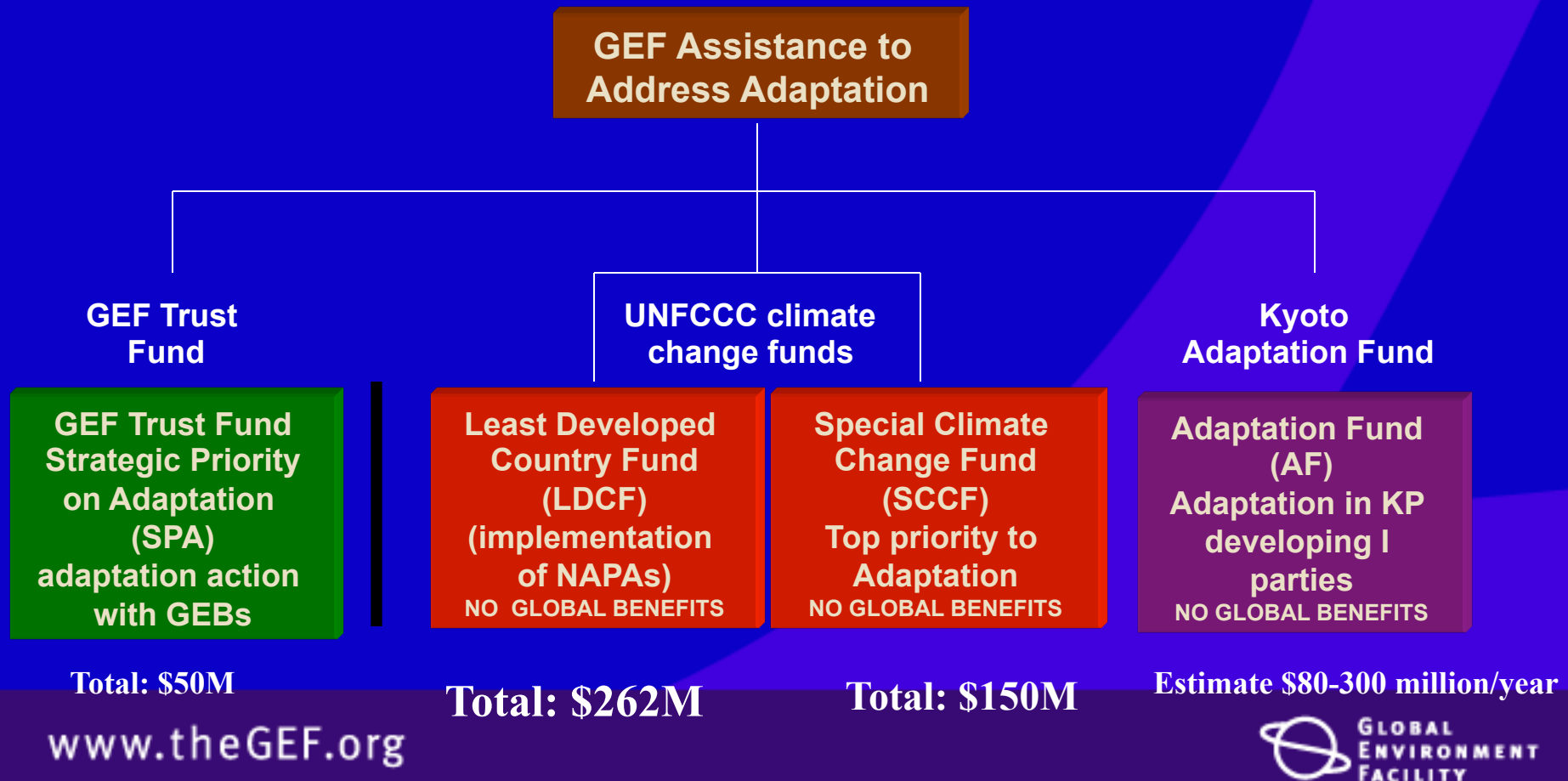
## 2011-2014 Budget: \$1.3 Billion

1. Improve Sustainability of Protected Area Systems
2. Mainstream biodiversity conservation and sustainable use in production landscapes/seascapes and sectors
3. Build capacity for the implementation of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety
4. Build capacity on access and benefit sharing
5. Integrate CBD Obligations into National Planning Processes through Enabling Activities



# GEF and CC Adaptation Funding

- GEF finances both climate change mitigation and adaptation
- Four funding sources for Adaptation under the GEF



# Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF)

LDCF projects support the implementation of National Adaptation Plans of Action (NAPAs) which identifies '*urgent and immediate adaptation needs*' in each LDC.

- The LDCF has so far supported the preparation of NAPAs in 48 LDCs and will also support implementation of priority actions identified in completed NAPAs.
- 44 NAPAs have been completed, and 42 implementation projects have been approved for LDCF funding.

# Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF)

SCCF adaptation projects support the implementation of adaptation actions in non-annex I parties.

- Priority areas: water, land management, agriculture, health, infrastructure development, fragile ecosystems, integrated coastal zone management, disaster risk management and prevention
- Total resources under the SCCF program for adaptation, including new pledges: \$150 million.
- 22 projects have been approved for support under the SCCF.





**Thank you**

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