

Making Cooperation Work

CÔMCEC STRATEGY

For Building an Interdependent Islamic World

COMCEC Project Funding at a Glance



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Purpose and Function of the COMCEC Project Funding

Operationalization of the COMCEC Strategy

- ✓ Enhancing Multilateral Cooperation
- ✓ Increasing institutional and human capacity
- ✓ Improving joint solutions for common problems
- ✓ Strengthening operational skills on international projects
- ✓ Supporting the policy environment for the policy recommendations adopted by the COMCEC Ministerial.

Relations Between the Tools of the Strategy

Working Group Meetings

- ✓ Working Group Membership: Relevant Ministries and other public institutions and OIC Institutions registered to the Working Groups.
- ✓ Producing policy recommendations in WGs based on policy questions and the analytical studies

Project Funding Mechanism

- ✓ Enhancing multilateral cooperation between the member countries and OIC institutions in six cooperation areas.
- ✓ Policy support instrument to realize policy recommendations.
- ✓ Contribution to capacity building through soft projects

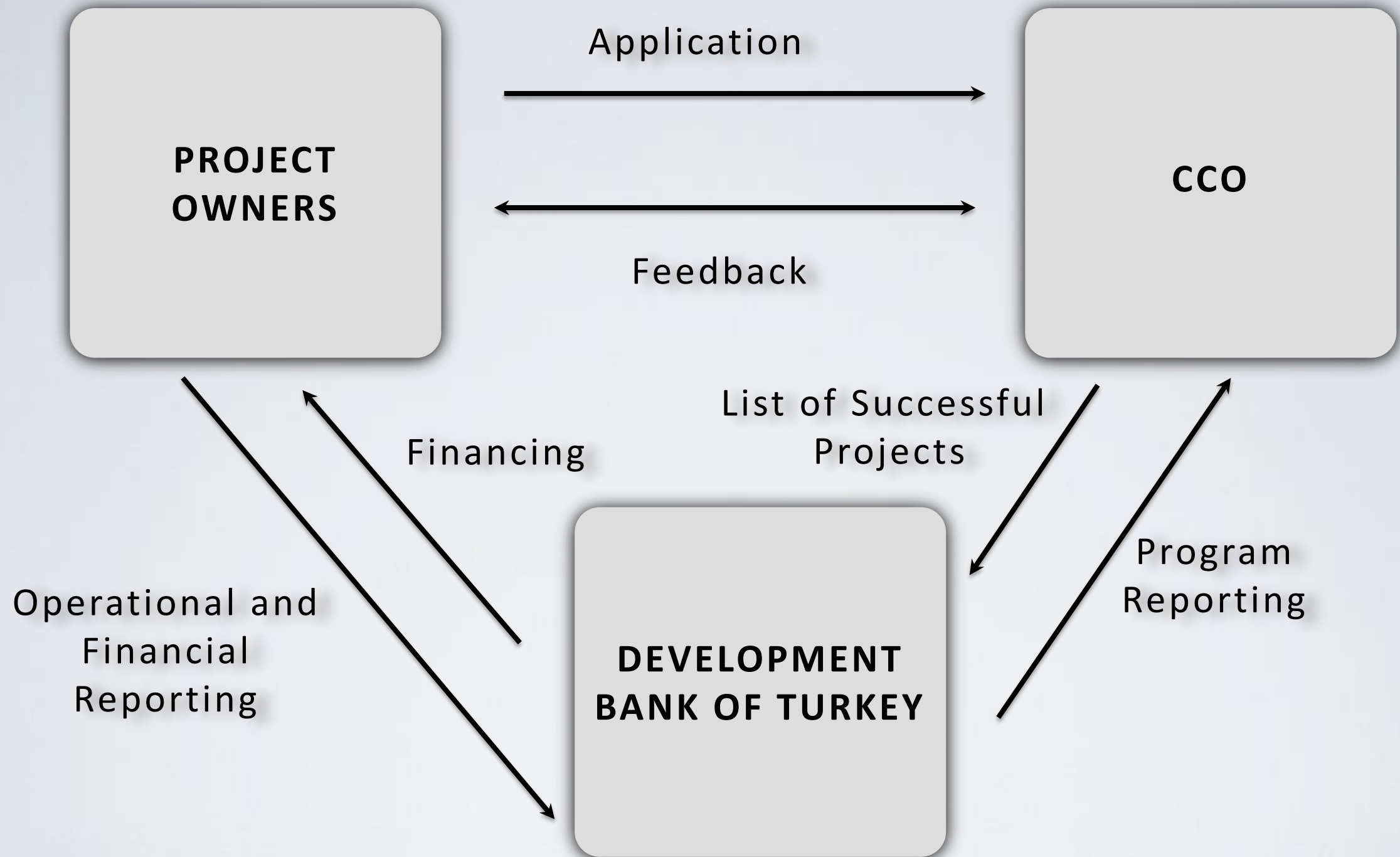
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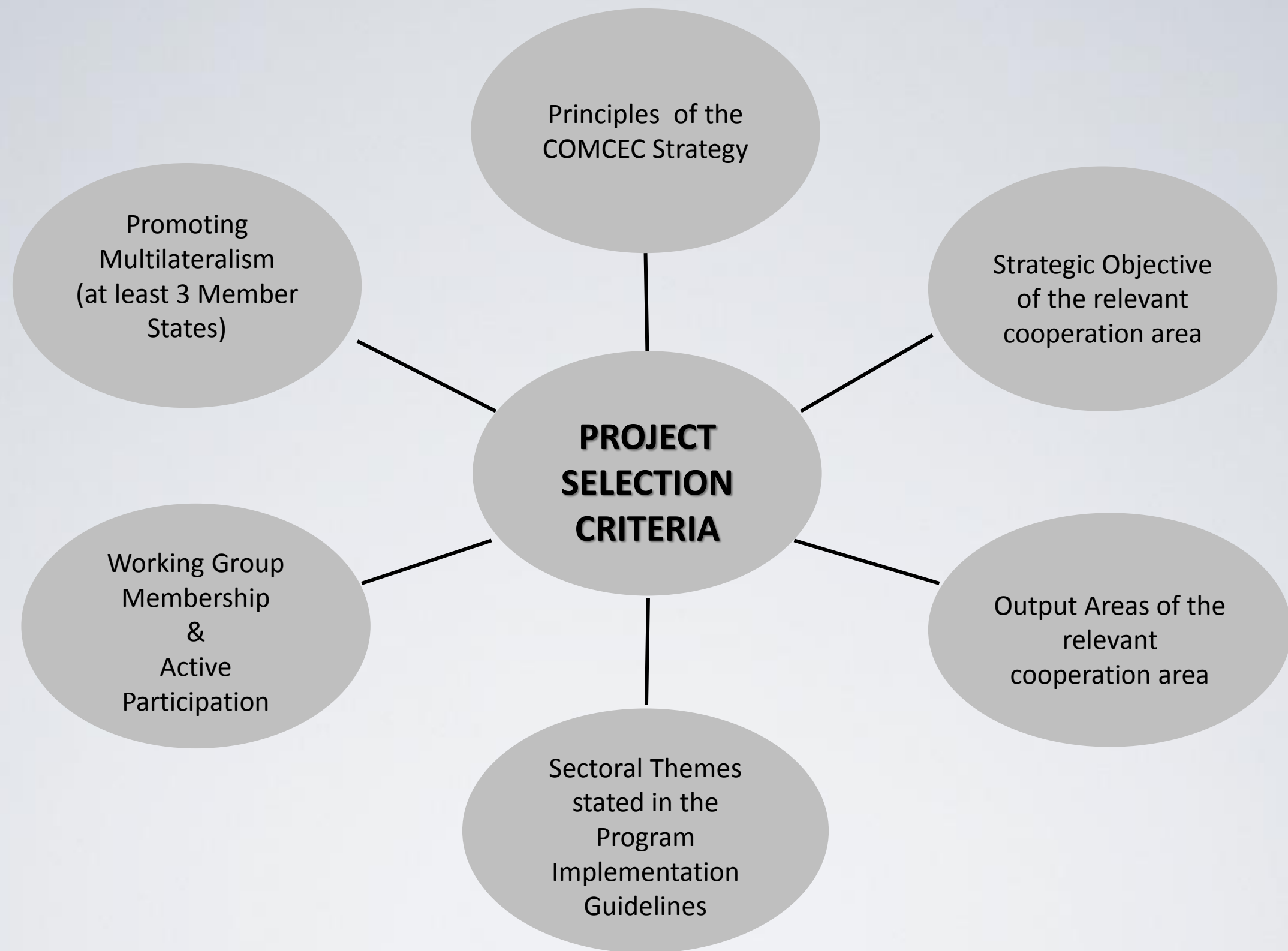
- ✓ Simple Rules
- ✓ Clearly defined Financial Framework
- ✓ Backstopping by the CCO and the Development Bank of Turkey
- ✓ Demand and Member Driven Mechanism

COMCEC Project Funding

- ✓ COMCEC Projects are based on **GRANTS** (No re-payment)
- ✓ Simple procedures (unlike credit agreements)
- ✓ Prompt payment after reporting (financial & technical) to the Bank

COMCEC Project Funding Mechanism





Project Proposals in Three-year Period

- ✓ **209** project proposals submitted by Member Countries and OIC Institutions during three-year period.
- ✓ **22** projects were implemented in 2014 and 2015.
 - **3** Tourism projects
- ✓ **10** project proposals are being implemented in 2016.
 - **2** Tourism projects (Malaysia and Gambia)

Implemented Tourism Projects



Project Title: Improving Statistical Capacities of Tourism Sector in COMCEC Mediterranean and Gulf Region

Project Owner: SESRIC

Project Purpose: Identification of the statistical capacities and needs in tourism statistics in selected COMCEC Countries in the Mediterranean and Gulf Regions

Activities: Circulation and evaluation of questionnaires in order to make a needs assessment in the selected countries, Organization of several training programs and a workshop.



Implemented Tourism Projects (con't)



Project Title: Cities of Common Cultural Heritage

Project Owner: Ministry of Culture and Tourism of Azerbaijan

Project Purpose: Increasing touristic arrivals to the selected countries by exchanging good practices, developing and promoting joint tourism products (Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Turkey and Uzbekistan)

Activities: Assessment of potentially attractive cultural-historical sites, Drafting of an interim assessment report, Organization of a workshop



Implemented Tourism Projects (con't)



Project Title: Strengthening Community Resilience through eco-tourism.

Project Owner: Ministry of Tourism and Culture (The Gambia)

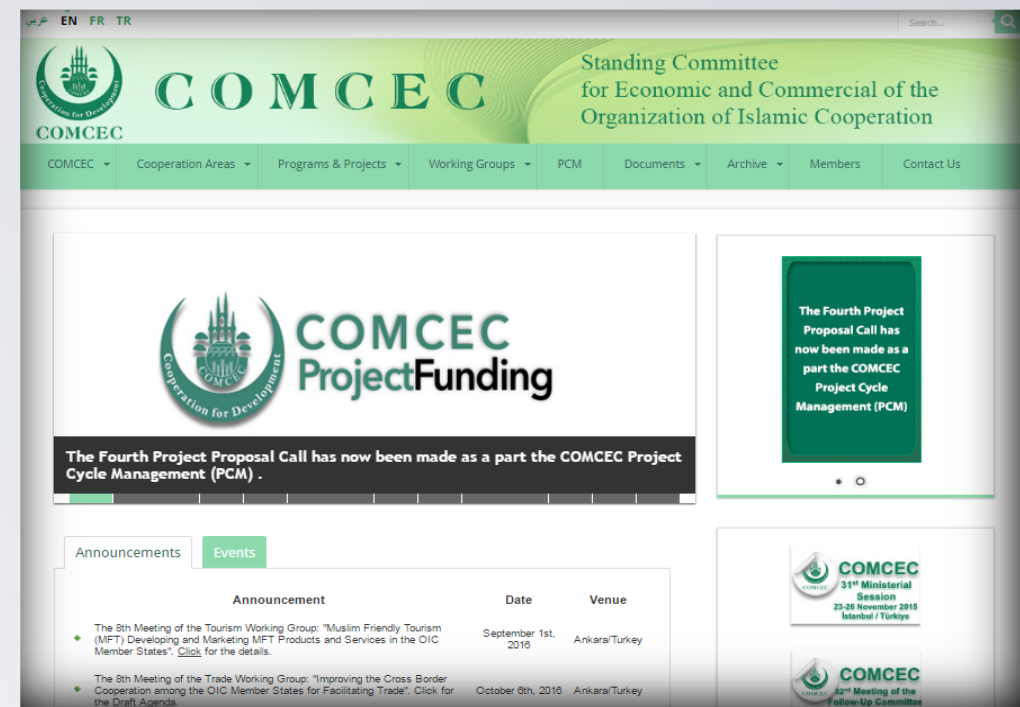
Project Purpose: Building resilient communities in The Gambia, Senegal and Guinea Bissau through eco-village practices

Activities: Eco-village design (EDE) education (training of the trainers), Report on EDE practices

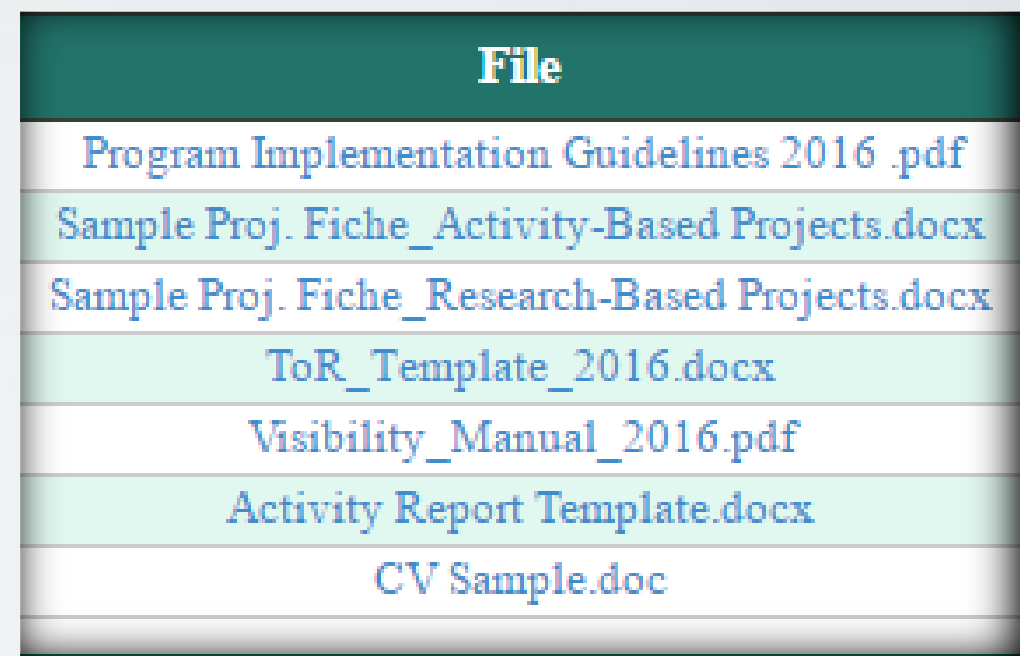


Fourth Call for Project Proposals

- The Fourth Project Proposal Call has been made on September 1st, 2016 on the COMCEC's official website (www.comcec.org.)



- The relevant documents are available on the online project application section of the COMCEC's official website.



How to Prepare for the Project Submission

- Must be focal point (Member Country or OIC Institution)
- Own a username and password
- Check the reference materials on the pcm online
- Think about the sectoral themes under tourism on page 20 of the Program Implementation Guidelines
- Conceptualize your project
- Fill out the project fiche
- Contact PCM Group (pcm@comcec.org) when necessary

What is new in the fourth call ?

- Two interfaces in the online submission system
- Several updates in the Program Implementation Guidelines:
 - 1 - Research-based projects with new procedures
 - 2 - New positions added to human resources section
 - 3 - Updates in sectoral themes

Online Project Management Information System

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The Fourth Project Proposal Call for the COMCEC Project Cycle Management (PCM)

Announcements Events

Announcement	Date	Venue
♦ The 8th Meeting of the Tourism Working Group: "Muslim Friendly Tourism (MFT) Developing and Marketing MFT Products and Services in the OIC Member States". Click for the Draft Agenda and Draft Programme .	September 1st, 2016	Ankara/Turkey
♦ The 8th Meeting of the Trade Working Group: "Improving the Cross Border Cooperation among the OIC Member States for Facilitating Trade". Click for the Draft Agenda .	October 6th, 2016	Ankara/Turkey

 **PCM** COMCEC Project Funding pcm.comcec.org

 **COMCEC** 3rd Ministerial Session 23-26 November 2015 Istanbul / Türkiye

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