



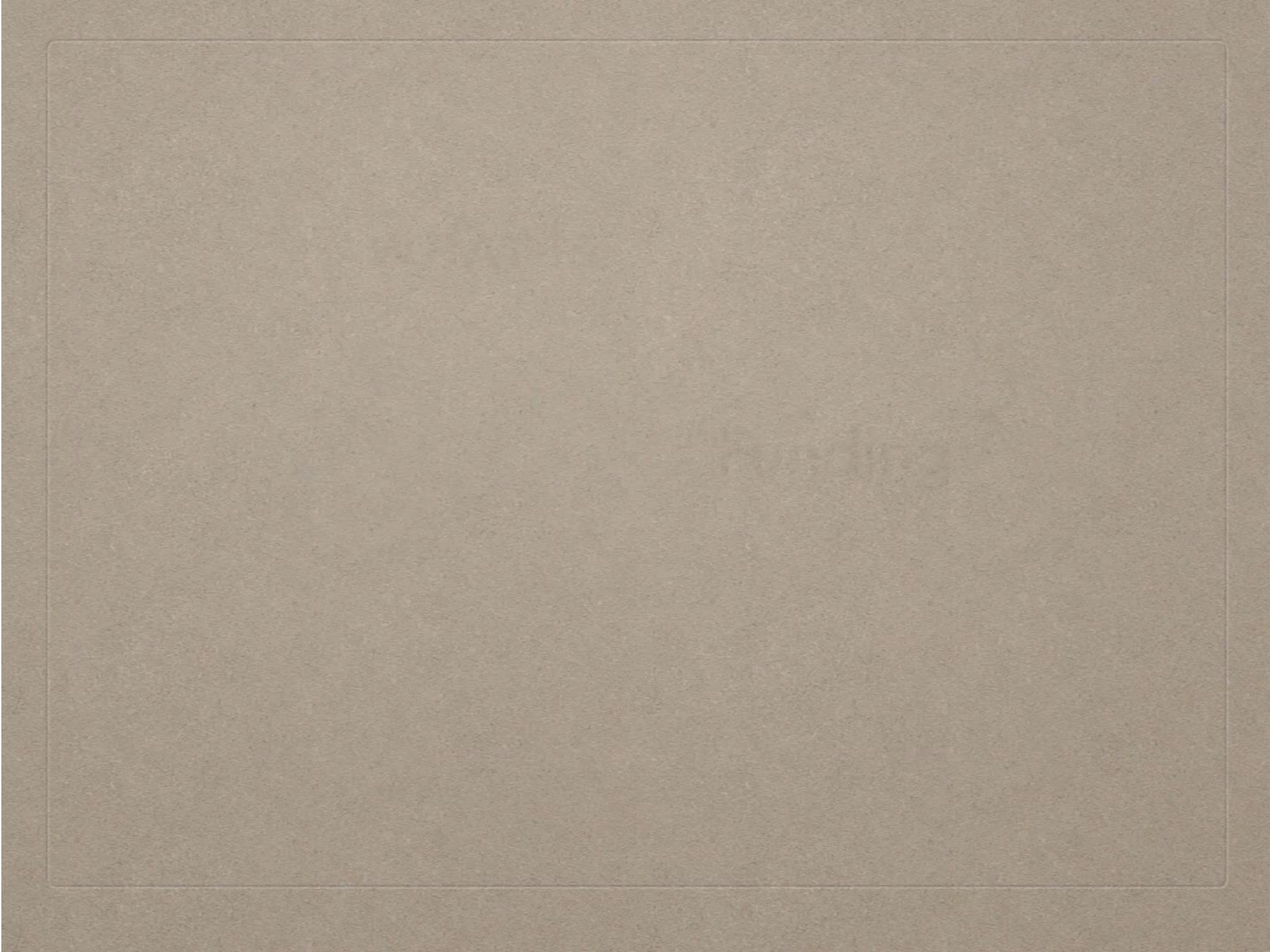
COMCEC ProjectFunding

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Essentials of COMCEC Project Funding

Instruments of COMCEC Strategy

➤ **Working Groups**

Regular meetings twice a year

Research Reports

Policy Recommendations

➤ **Project Funding**

Policy support instrument

Grant based support for member countries and OIC institutions

Since 2013

What is COMCEC Project Funding?

- ▶ An **Implementation tool** of the COMCEC Strategy
- ▶ A **member-driven mechanism (both in finding a creative project idea and implementing)**
- ▶ A Grant based funding facility under **six cooperation areas** (trade, transport and communication, tourism, agriculture, poverty alleviation, finance)
- ▶ Funding mechanism for **soft projects** (policy research, analytical studies, workshops, seminars, study visits etc.) in its nature
- ▶ **Potential Beneficiaries: (OIC Members States and Institutions)**
- ▶ **Multilateral perspective : (at least two other project partners together with the PO)**

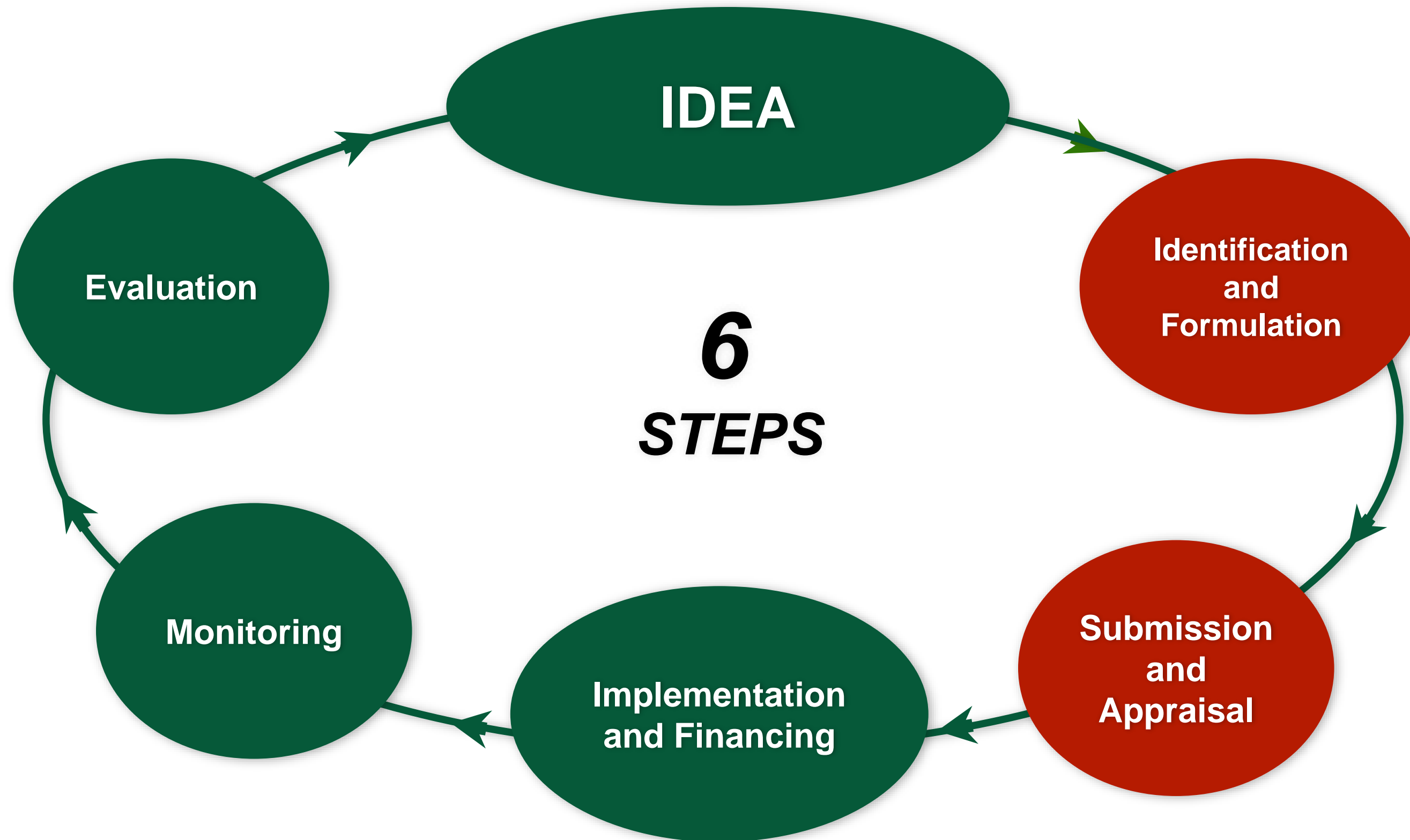
Objectives of COMCEC Project Funding



Importance of COMCEC Project Funding

- ▶ *Result oriented framework*
- ▶ *Focus on concrete policy actions and tangible results*
- ▶ *Serving all the three principles of the COMCEC Strategy (enhancing mobility, strengthening solidarity, improving governance)*
- ▶ *Enhanced engagement with the OIC Community **(via multilateralism)***
- ▶ *Flexible rules and procedures (for different legal/institutional settings)*
- ▶ *Multi-year financial framework*
- ▶ *Analytical reporting and cross-cutting sectoral feedbacks*

Stages of CPF



Assessment of feasibility for CPF

Project Selection Criteria (Eligibility)

Compliance with
Strategy's Principles



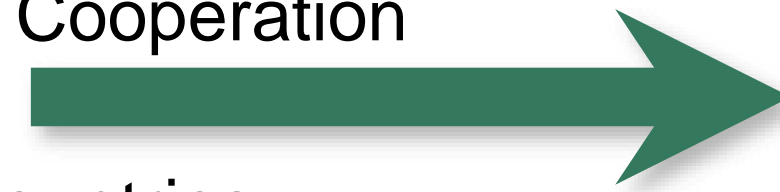
Enhancing Mobility
Strengthening Solidarity
Improving Governance

Compliance with
Sectoral Themes /
Policy
Recommendations



Projects serving to the realization
of COMCEC Ministerial policy
recommendations

Pursuing Multilateral Cooperation
Among
COMCEC Member Countries



Projects aiming at addressing at
least three countries' needs
and/or area of interest

Targeting "*Strategic
Objectives*" of the
Strategy



*"Increasing the productivity of
agriculture sector and sustaining
the food security "*

Project Types

➤ **Activity Based**

Trainings

Workshops

Conference and seminars

Study visits

Publicity meetings

Promotional materials

➤ **Research Based**

Research reports

Feasibility studies

Policy documents

Field trips related to research

Supported Themes in Poverty Alleviation

Supported Sectoral Themes

- Increasing quality of teachers
- Increasing teaching and learning effectiveness through adoption of information and communication technologies
- Promoting better early-childhood learning opportunities through accessible and affordable pre-primary schooling
- Ensuring progressive universalism for closing the rich-poor gap in learning outcomes
- Involving parents in the monitoring of their children's education and intensifying the parent-teacher interaction
- Improving access of poor students and youth to vocational education through reducing school fees, offering monthly scholarship schemes and providing adequate facilities
- Improving facilities of TVET institutions as well as establishing a training center inside an industrial area
- Matching the skills taught in TVET institutions with the industrial requirements through job-oriented and demand-driven curriculum update
- Increasing the quantity and quality of teachers in TVET sector through professional development programs and industrial attachment
- Increasing awareness on TVET and creating new job opportunities for skilled graduates
- Developing strategies and policies for a well-designed payment and health insurance schemes to achieve universal health coverage
- Strengthening primary healthcare services particularly in poorer areas through encouraging skilled health staff to work in rural and remote areas
- Enhancing integrated health promotion and prevention interventions
- Promoting the engagement of private sector in provision of safe and quality healthcare
- Encouraging the development of integrated health information management systems
- Allocating required resources to health IT infrastructure and strengthening multi-sectoral coordination mechanism
- Decreasing child and maternal mortality
- Eradicating urban poverty
- Enhancing decent housing opportunities for the poor

Sectoral Themes --> www.comcec.org/pcm



The screenshot shows the website's header with the COMCEC logo and 'Project Funding' text. A navigation menu includes 'Supported Themes', which is highlighted with a red box and a red arrow. Below the menu, the 'Supported Themes' section is titled and contains a paragraph of text explaining the COMCEC Coordination Office's role. It lists six cooperation areas: agriculture, finance, poverty alleviation, transport and communication, tourism and trade. Below the text are six representative images: 1. Agriculture: A field of golden wheat. 2. Finance: A computer keyboard with a blue line graph showing an upward trend. 3. Poverty Alleviation: A group of hands of different skin tones holding a wooden globe. 4. Transport and Communication: Two silhouettes of people shaking hands in front of a globe. 5. Tourism and Trade: A blue train, a blue truck, and a white ship. 6. Tourism: A collage of various world landmarks and buildings.

COMCEC Project Funding

Overview **Supported Themes** Online Project Submission Implemented Projects Selected Outputs FAQ COMCEC Contact Us

Supported Themes

The COMCEC Coordination Office (CCO) provides financial support to the projects in 6 different cooperation areas as agriculture, finance, poverty alleviation, transport and communication, tourism and trade. The CCO determines sectoral themes under each cooperation area by considering outputs of the Working Groups as well as policy recommendations adopted by the COMCEC Ministerial Sessions. In order to be eligible for COMCEC Project Funding, projects should be designed with respect to one of these sectoral themes. **Please click the respective picture in order to see the list of supported themes in each cooperation area.**



Funded Projects in the Last Five Years

Funded Projects Since 2014

- ▶ 393 project proposals submitted by Member Countries and OIC Institutions during five-year period
- ▶ 61 projects were implemented between 2014-2018
 - ✓ Agriculture **11**
 - ✓ Finance **6**
 - ✓ Poverty Alleviation **12**
 - ✓ Tourism **13**
 - ✓ Trade **12**
 - ✓ Transport & Communications **6**

For 2019, 22 projects are underway.

2019 Projects in Poverty Alleviation



Improving the Quality of Education through Information and Communication Technologies in the OIC Countries

Project Owner: Ministry of Economy of Afghanistan

Project Partners: Iran, Palestine and Turkey

Project Purpose: One of the policy recommendations of the COMCEC Poverty Alleviation Working Group meetings is “increasing teaching and learning effectiveness through adoption and widespread use of information and communication technologies (ICT)”. In line with this, the project aims at enhancing disadvantaged children’s access to qualified education in the rural regions of Afghanistan through ICT.



Strengthening Technical and Vocational Education for Grassroots Empowerment in the OIC Countries

Project Owner: Ministry of Finance of Nigeria

Project Partners: The Gambia, Turkey

Project Purpose: The COMCEC Strategy aims at increasing the productivity and income of vulnerable groups in the member countries through capacity building and vocational education programs. To reach this aim, the project is targeted to put the current situation and need with regard to vocational education of the youth and women in the OIC countries to further reintroduce them to economy and to provide a sustainable development.

2019 Projects in Poverty Alleviation



Project Title: Increasing the Capacity of Vocational Education Centres for the Disabled in the Selected OIC Countries

Project Owner: Ministry of Social Affairs and Housing of Suriname

Project Partners: Guyana and Turkey

Project Purpose: One of the meetings of the COMCEC Poverty Alleviation Working Group has been devoted to the skills development and vocational education in the Islamic countries. Also, several policy recommendations have been accepted such as developing job-oriented curriculum, improving facilities of vocational education institutions and increasing the quality of teachers through professional development programs. Accordingly, this project aims at increasing institutional capacity of the training centers that serve for people living with disability, developing curriculum for the training centers and enhancing the human capacity of the teachers.



Project Title: Developing Guidelines on Social Safety Net Systems for the OIC Countries

Project Owner: Ministry of Family of Turkey, Labor and Social Services

Project Partners: Indonesia, Tunisia, Iran and The Gambia

Project Purpose: Promoting the establishment of management information systems for Social Safety Net (SSN) programmes and expanding the coverage of the existing ones in the member countries are among the policy recommendations of the COMCEC Poverty Alleviation Working Group Meetings. In line with these, Turkey's project aims at increasing the human and institutional capacity of the OIC countries in the SSN systems.

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Project Title: Digital Skills Development in OIC Countries

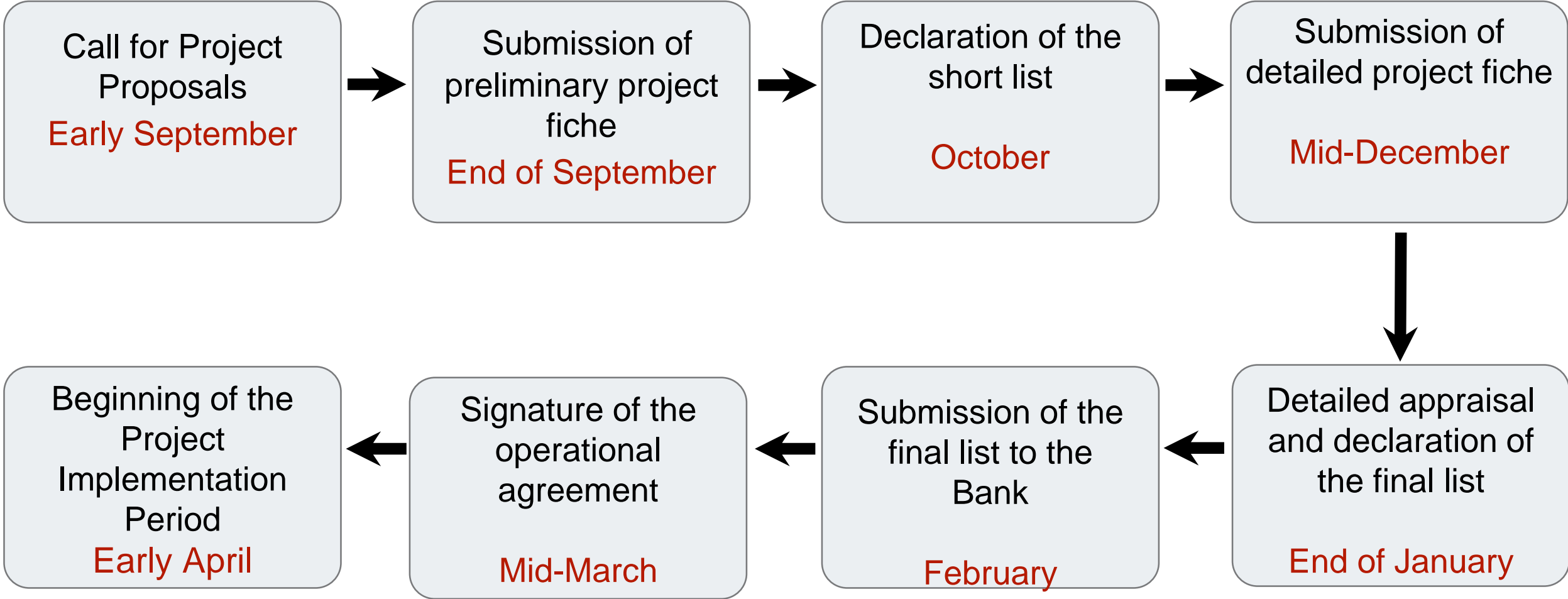
Project Owner: SESRIC

Project Partners: Azerbaijan, Benin, The Gambia, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Malaysia, Morocco, Pakistan, Palestine, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sudan, Tunisia, Turkey

Project Purpose: One of the output areas of the COMCEC Strategy is “promoting poor people-oriented programs to increase the productive capacity of the poor through development of vocational education programs”. In line with this, the project aims at presenting the relationship between digitalization and vocational education, determining the effect of digitalization to vocational education and suggesting the necessary policies for managing the digital transformation in the OIC countries

How to Submit a Project Proposal

Timeline



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- **COMCEC Project Funding Webpage** - www.comcec.org/en/pcm

General information about the program

Supported sectoral themes

Frequently asked questions

Previously implemented projects

- **COMCEC Project Submission Webpage** - project.comcec.org

Reference Materials:

Project Preparation and Submission Guidelines

CV templates

ToR template (for Research Projects)

Tutorials for online fiche

Visibility Manual



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