COMCEC PROJECT SUPPORT PROGRAMS

23rd Meeting of COMCEC Finance Working Group



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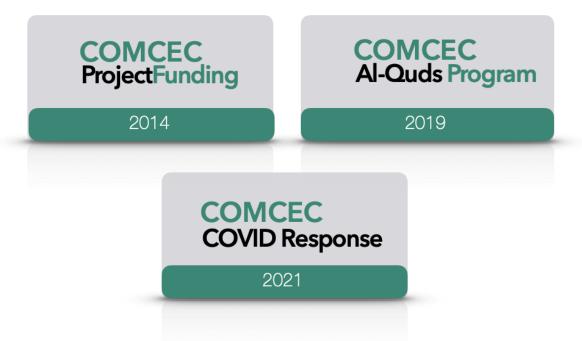
Outline



- 1. Overview of the COMCEC Project Support Programs
- 2. Objectives and Main Characteristics of the COMCEC Project Funding (CPF)
- 3. Project Preparation and Submission
 - a) How to prepare a project proposal
 - b) Online Project Submission
- 4. Timeline of Call for Project Proposals
- 5. Finance Projects under CPF in 2025



1) Overview



2) Objectives and Main Characteristics



WHAT?

A **grant-based finance mechanism**, was introduced by COMCEC Coordination Office in 2014 as a **policy support instrument** under the COMCEC Strategy

WHY?

- Increasing institutional and human capacity
- Supporting implementation of policy recommendations adopted by COMCEC Ministerial Sessions
- Enhancing cooperation and solidarity among the member countries

WHO CAN APPLY?

Relevant public institution of a Member Country (Registered to Relevant Working Group) or an OIC Institution/Organ operating in the field of economic and commercial cooperation



2) Objectives and Main Characteristics



* 156 Projects from 29 Countries and 6 OIC institutions (15 Projects in Financial Cooperation)

* All member countries as a beneficiary





2) Objectives and Main Characteristics



HOW?

Financing projects in eight main areas;

- * Transport and Communications *Small and Medium Enterprises (SME's)

MAIN PROJECT TYPES

- Training, Study Visit, Workshop, Conference and Seminar, Publicity Meetings and Preparation of Audio, Visual and Written Materials
- Peer-to-Peer Experience Sharing
- Needs Assessment



3) Project Preparation and Submission: a) How to Prepare a Project Proposal



- Review the reference documents on the Project Management Information System (https://project.comcec.org/) and Programs Website (https://programs.comcec.org/)
 - Project Preparation and Submission Guidelines
 - Sample Project Fiche
 - Supported Themes
 - COMCEC Strategy
- Send the relevant documents to the interested national institutions/departments
- Fill out the <u>online project fiche</u> through Project Management Information System
- Feel free to consult with the CCO



Project Preparation and Implementation Guidelines



Sample Project Fiche



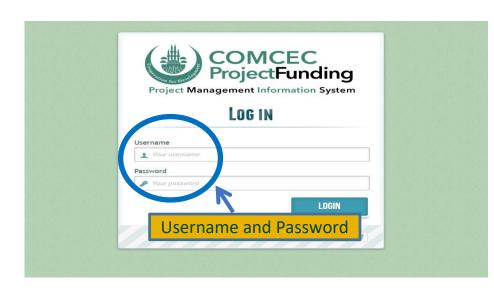
3) Project Preparation and Submission: b) Online Project Submission



ONLINE PROJECT SUBMISSION:

https://project.comcec.org/

- The Username and Password are only provided to the sectoral focal points.
- If you do not have username and password, please contact cpf@comcec.org.





4) Timeline Cycle of the Project

COMCEC COORDINATION OFFICE



October 1st- 31st 2025 • 13th Call for Project Proposals Early December 2025 **Declaration of Short List** • Submission of the Final Version of Project Proposal by the Project End of December 2025 Owner February-March 2026 • Declaration of the Final List of Successful Project Proposals • Finalization of Contract Procedures April 2026 Organizing a Training Activity April-December 2026 Project Implementation Period

5) Finance Projects under CPF in 2025





BENIN

Project Title

: Experience Sharing in Designing a Legal Framework for Building an Islamic Finance Lead Unit

Project Owner

: Ministry of Finance

Project Activities

: Study Visit and Training

Project Purpose

: To comprehend the process of establishing a legal framework for an Islamic Finance Lead Unit, facilitating the mobilization of Islamic green finance to mitigate climate change impacts and enhance disaster resilience



5) Finance Projects under CPF in 2025



Project Title

: Capacity Building for Strengthening Digital Payment Systems in the Financial Sector

Project Owner

: Ministry of Finance

Project Activities

: Study Visit and Training

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Project Purpose

: To enhance the skills of a select group of professionals in the digital payments sector with advanced knowledge and practical experience.





THANK YOU

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