



Global Cleantech Innovation Programme (GCIP)

Accelerating innovation and entrepreneurship in clean technologies

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Project Overview

Country:	Armenia
Project title:	Fostering cleantech innovation and entrepreneurship for increased economic competitiveness, greening of agriculture value chains and job creation in Armenia
GEF Implementing Agency(ies)	UNIDO
Type of Trust Fund:	GEF- TF
GEF Focal Area (s)	Climate Change Mitigation
GEF Priorities included	Clean technology Innovation, EE, Mini-grids with storage, EV, other GEBs
Duration:	60 Months
Proposed National Executing Partner(s):	SME Development National Center of Armenia (SMEDNC)
Estimated Project Cost (\$):	\$1,000,000



Project Core Indicators		Expected at PIF
6	Greenhouse Gas Emissions Mitigated (metric tons of CO ₂ e)	Indicative expected results of 108,000 to 216,000 tCO ₂ e of direct emission savings and of 540,000 to 1,080,000 tCO ₂ e of indirect emission savings
11	Number of direct beneficiaries disaggregated by gender as co-benefit of GEF investment	Target of 300 participants (with at least 35% women) : <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 60 enterprises- 60 cleantech experts (mentors, judges) trained and certified- 180 participants sensitized

Project Objectives

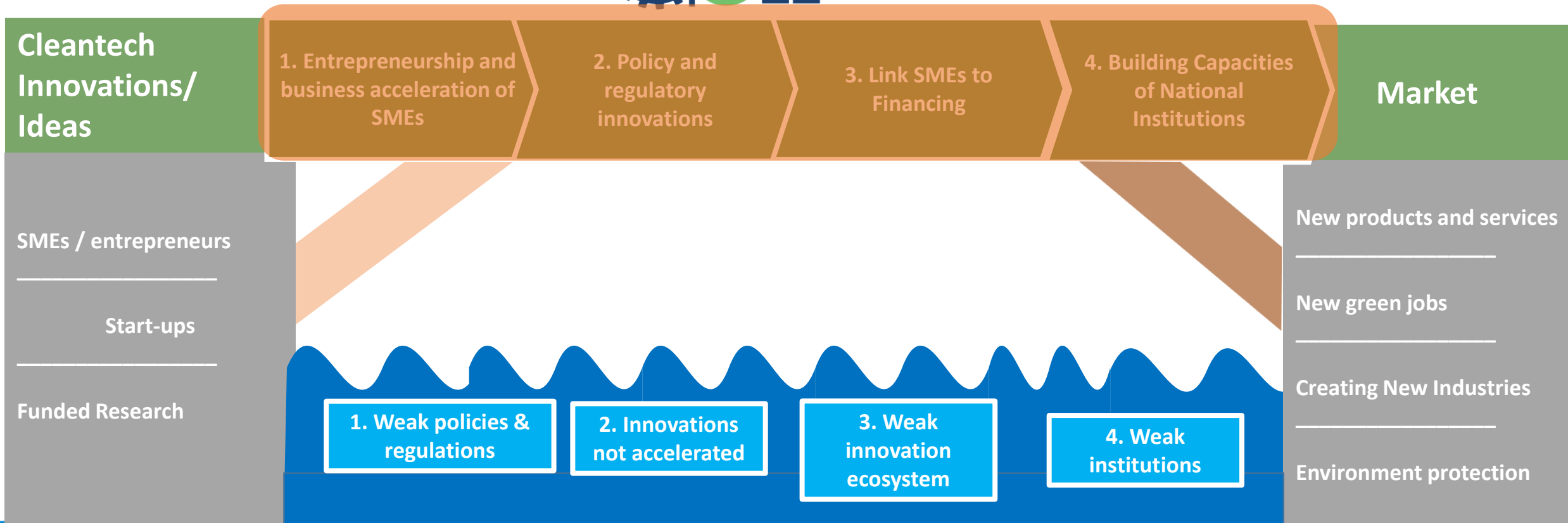
The project seeks to promote the introduction of innovative clean technologies supporting the expansion and greening of value chains in Armenia.

Through supporting local start-ups to grow their businesses, the project will ultimately boost employment and income generation and unlock investments.

The introduction of cleantech innovations will contribute towards:

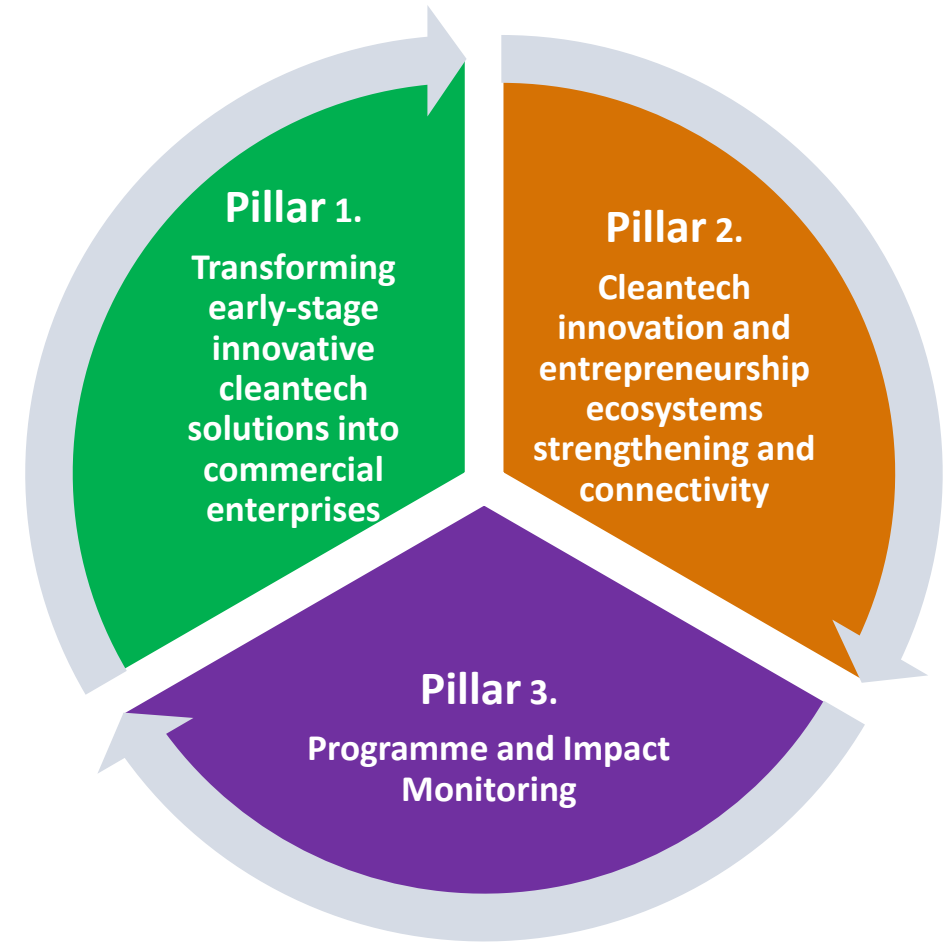
- promoting sustainable use of natural resources (water, energy, materials)
- increasing the share of renewable, energy efficiency and recycled resources at the input side of the value chain,
- increasing market competitiveness of the export oriented industry,
- unlocking international investments in the sector among others
- strengthening response mechanisms and resilience to emerging challenges such as COVID-19

Bridging the Valley of Death in Cleantech Innovation



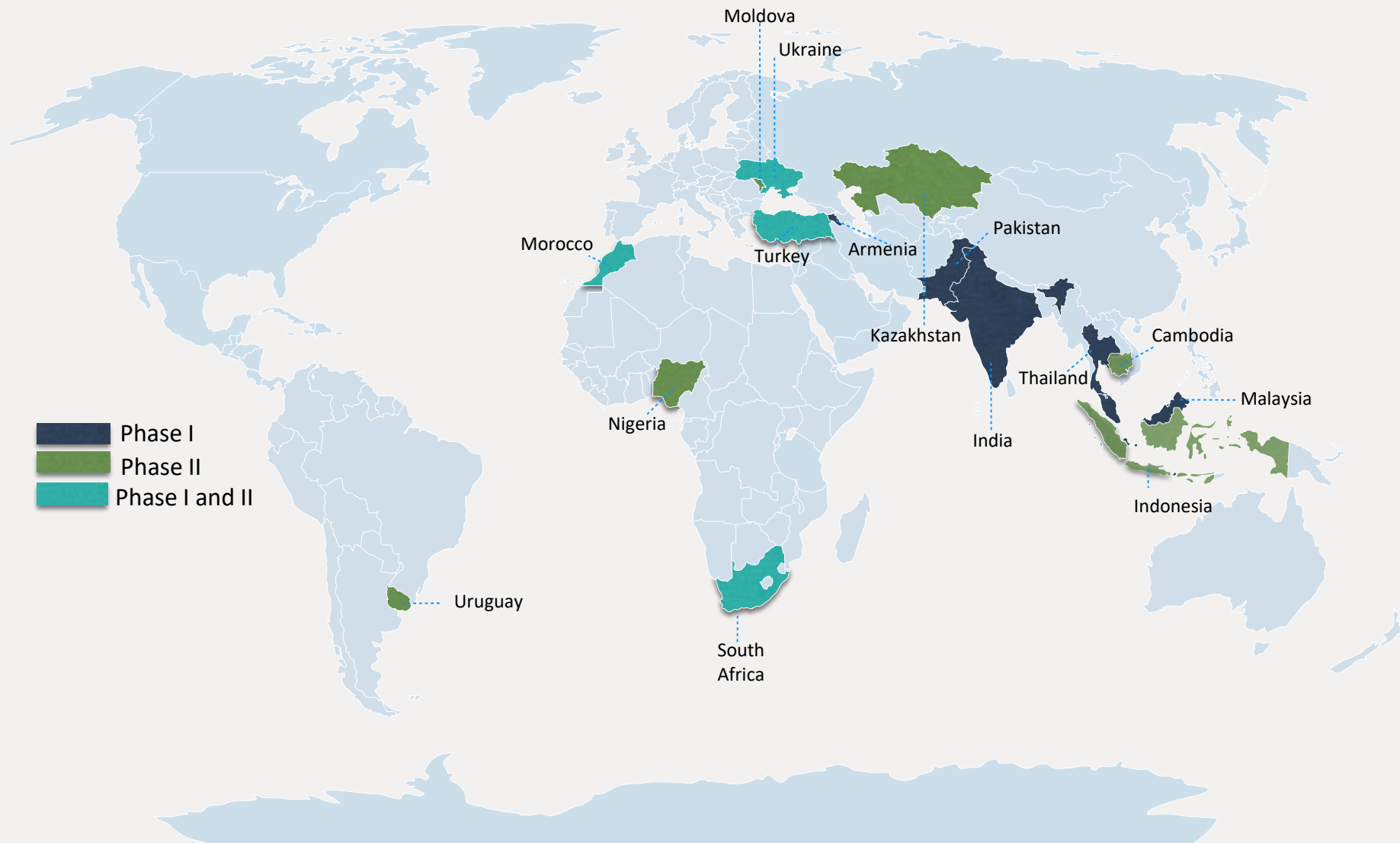
Integrating Lessons learned

- Need for increase ownership and commitment of government agencies represented in the Project Steering Committee to ensure the sustainability and replication potential of results
- Stimulate interest among ministries concerned with SMEs and low carbon solutions to establish linkages between ongoing projects and new clean tech activities
- Ensuring to avoid overstretching of implementation capacities and mobilizing enough resources to be able to engage adequately
- Increase country ownership by preparing for a gradual handover of responsibility during the project life using the learning by doing approach
- Integrate a long term strategy and process that creates awareness of different stakeholders, a good understanding of complex issues
- During Phase I, it became evident that there are limited governmental resources for seed funding of start ups and SMEs, thus other possible sources should be identified such as successful Armenian diaspora businesses, PFAN



Participating Countries

Phase 1&2



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