



Central Asian Countries Initiative on Land Management CACILM

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5 Central Asian Countries

represented by the respective institution
dealing with land degradation

= at the same time national focal
institution for UNCCD

UzHydromet

**Turkmen Ministry for Nature
Protection**

**Tajik Committee on
Environmental Protection**

Kyrgyz Ministry for Agriculture

**Kazakh Ministry for
Environment**

Donors

ADB

Global Mechanism

UNDP

ICARDA

UNEP

IFAD

GEF Secretariat

Germany (GIZ)

Switzerland (SDC)



Objective of CACILM

To restore, maintain and enhance the productive functions of land in Central Asia, leading to improved economic and social well-being of those who depend on such resources while preserving the ecological functions of the land (Tashkent platform September 2004)

Widening the scope of CACILM to include the interactions between land degradation, biodiversity conservation and climate change (Steering Committee Tashkent December 2009)



CACILM comes with two features:

1. CACILM Governance Structures

- **CACILM Steering Committee (2 representatives per country, one representative per donor)**
- **Regional CACILM Secretariat in Bishkek**
- **National CACILM Secretariats in each country**

Financing of CACILM Governance Structures during the first phase (2007 – 2010): ADB, GIZ

Financing interrupted at the end of 2010 when ADB left the initiative

Since 2011 intermediate financing by GIZ and approaches to have ADB replaced by another donor; as from 2012 onwards, IFAD steps in with a regional grant of 2.5 Million US\$



CACILM Feature 2.: Project Portfolio

- CACILM donors, single or in various forms of cooperation, engaged in planning and implementing a portfolio of today roughly 20 projects in Central Asia
- Combating land degradation in three types of landuse in Central Asia:

**Irrigated Agriculture
Forest Areas
Pasture lands**

- Following basically the GEF replenishment cycle, the first generation of CACILM projects are now coming to and end and are gradually replaced, among others, by projects financed out of the 5th replenishment of GEF.



Assets of CACILM

- **Regional portfolio management based on a light M+E system and knowledge-management (documentation and dissemination of best practices)**
- **National project cycle management along the lines of (1) production of best practices, (2) involvement of local and national institutions (3) assistance in the adjustment of regulatory frameworks and (4) up-scaling.**
 - **National project cycles are advanced to step (3) as far as forestry in Tajikistan is concerned (approval of the new law on forests in August 2011; investment project on up-scaling foreseen in 2012)**
 - **National project cycle on Pasture Management advanced to step (3) in Kyrgyzstan (approval of the pasture law amendment in November 2011; investment project for up-scaling (World Bank) in place)**



Thank you for your kind attention