

## ENHANCEMENT OF THE EXISTING NATIONALLY DETERMINED CONTRIBUTION (NDC)

### Context

To advance the implementation of national mitigation and adaptation policies and measures, Albania needs to develop adequate institutional capacities, systems and strategic frameworks. This project provided the Ministry of Tourism and Environment with policy and measures recommendations for the enhancement of the existing NDC, in line with the requirements of the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement, evaluated the potential of national energy efficiency to reduce greenhouse gas emissions at the national level, and completed the assessment of the state of implementation of the current national strategic documents related to climate change and energy efficiency, along with their state of alignment. This was achieved through (i) the development of strategic frameworks on climate change sector in Albania, and (ii) the building of the Government of Albania's human and institutional capacities.

### Project Objectives

The Objective of this project is to support the:

- i) Development or enhancement of strategic frameworks to address policy gaps, improve sectoral expertise and enhance environments for GCF programming in low-emission investments;
- ii) Establishment of adequate capacity, systems and networks for relevant country stakeholders to support the planning, programming and implementation of GCF-funded activities.

### Deliverables

- Questionnaire for data collection;
- Database of energy data, in English and Albanian;
- Report on energy data, in English and Albanian;
- Report on the state of implementation analysis of existing NDC 2016-2030, and of the energy efficiency sectoral development documents developed, with policy recommendations: energy efficiency, in English and Albanian;
- Guideline on gender integration into climate change process in Albania, in English and Albanian;
- Report on the potential of energy efficiency to enhance NDC 2021-2030, with policy recommendations, analysis of gender-specific needs and stakeholder contributions;
- Manual for NDC monitoring and update, identifying lessons learnt from the process of preparation and enhancement of NDC 2016-2030 and NDC 2021-2030, and providing recommendations for a monitoring system;
- Capacity building program with training materials.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

##### DONORS:

Green Climate Fund (GCF)

##### PARTNERS:

- Ministry of Tourism and Environment (MTE)
- Urban Research Institute (URI)

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