

# GLOBAL

## GLOBAL AND REGIONAL KNOWLEDGE SHARING

### OVERVIEW

Global implementation	Global
Thematic area	Multi-sectoral
Project start date	Q1 2017
Funding source	Core
2017 budget	USD 1,148,498
% of budget disbursed	70%

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Continued joint implementation of Green Growth Knowledge Platform (GGKP) Secretariat.
- Expansion of the GGKP web platform, including the securing of funding to support significant improvements.

### OVERALL OBJECTIVE

- Provide a global platform through green growth knowledge generation, management, and sharing, and knowledge partnerships.

### RELEVANT SDGs

7. Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all.
9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation.

### CONTEXT

The GGKP was established in January 2012 by the Global Green Growth Institute, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, the United Nations Environment Programme and the World Bank as a vehicle for promoting green growth at a global level by providing a collaborative platform for leadership in knowledge sharing and policy research. Since then, the GGKP partnership has grown to 58 partners ranging from international and nongovernmental organizations to academic institutions and think tanks. It represents the world's largest global community of institutions and experts committed to collaboratively generating, managing, and sharing green growth knowledge and data for policymakers and practitioners. Drawing together these partners, the GGKP initiates and coordinates green growth research and analysis resulting in increased access to green growth knowledge and strengthened international cooperation.

GGKP provides a global platform for GGGI to promote thought leadership, knowledge generation, management, and sharing, and knowledge partnerships in 2017. The GGKP is on track to be accessed more than 275,000 times within 2017, reflecting 10% growth in web traffic from 2016.

## RESULTS ACHIEVED IN 2017

### OUTCOME 1

STATUS

ACHIEVED

#### Expand the GGKP web platform and funded significant improvements.

The GGKP continues to establish itself as a global leader in green growth knowledge generation, management, and sharing.

### OUTPUT 1.2

STATUS

ACHIEVED

#### Knowledge sharing.

- The GGKP also made significant strides in 2017. In November 2017, the GGKP also convened the fifth GGKP annual conference, hosted by the world bank during September 2017 in Washington dc. The GGKP sustainable infrastructure expert working group launched a call for papers which formed the basis of the 2017 GGKP annual conference. In almost 20 sessions, over 80 speakers from leading universities, research and financial institutions, government, and the private sector explored some of the most critical questions on how to design, promote, and implement sustainable infrastructure. The event featured 44 policy-relevant papers, now featured on the GGKP website, on supporting sustainable infrastructure for green growth. The conference drew together more than 250 experts in discussion and debate.
- In addition, the GGKP continued to engage in a range of in-person and online knowledge sharing activities. The GGKP expanded its social media network, continued to deliver its monthly newsletter, now with more than 6,000 subscribers, and expanded coverage of its blog (which has received contributions from more than 150 global experts). The GGKP also organized a total of six webinars during 2017, drawing together an average of about 125 participants per webinar.

### OUTPUT 1.4

STATUS

ACHIEVED

#### Policy dialogues and south-south cooperation.

In 2017, GGGI allocated resources for two principal knowledge sharing activities. First, GGGI supported travel for ministers to the LDC Group Ministerial, which took place October 2-6, 2017 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The meeting, which brought together 20 LDC Group Ministers (up from four in 2016), resulted in the adoption of the Addis Ababa Communique. The Communique provided momentum and strong political leadership to the LDC Group as they moved toward the 23rd Conference of the Parties (COP 23) to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). GGGI also supported the annual Asia Low Emission Development Strategies (LEDS) Forum in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam as a co-sponsor, organizing sessions on green city low emission development. In addition, GGGI supported its team in China team to conduct a Southeast Asia regional stakeholder workshop under the Belt and Road Initiative.

### OUTPUT 1.1

STATUS

ACHIEVED

#### Knowledge management.

- GGGI continued to expand the GGKP web platform and funded significant improvements. At the end of 2017, the web platform included: 1,750 publications in its resource library; 300 learning products (courses, webinars, and other tools); 230 project summaries (including all Is, from 89,000 unique users).
- In the most recent 2016 survey, of the policymakers and practitioners responding to a GGKP user survey, 60% reported visiting the GGKP platform, 60% of those who visited had indicated using knowledge products from the site to inform their work, and 42% confirmed that improved access to green growth knowledge products would benefit their work.

### OUTPUT 1.3

STATUS

ACHIEVED

#### Knowledge generation.

- The GGKP had eight operating expert working groups in 2017 to identify green growth knowledge gaps and promote green growth research. In May 2017, the trade and competitiveness research committee released a scoping study in the working paper: "analysis of existing environmental policy databases". The paper assesses 24 databases that provide information on environmental policies implemented by national governments. The review of each database summarizes the type of information provided, the breadth of coverage, the accessibility of data, and the strengths and weaknesses of each database with respect to the overall objective of improving access to environmental policy data for assessing the impact of environmental policies on competitiveness and trade.
- In 2017 the GGKP also established a new expert working group dedicated to mainstreaming the natural capital approach into green growth policies and planning. Natural capital and ecosystem services play a critical role in maintaining biodiversity and enabling green economic growth. Mainstreaming natural capital in national development planning will be critical to achieving the sustainable development goals by 2030. The expert working group was launched at world bank headquarters in Washington, DC on November 30 - December 01, 2017.

## ADDITIONAL RESULTS

- In 2017 the GGKP launched its online Expert Connect service. Expert Connect gives policymakers direct access to world-leading technical and policy experts for quick and tailored guidance on a range of green growth topics. Specialized experts, including from GGGI, are available to provide guidance on fiscal reform, access to finance, indicators and metrics, natural capital approaches, sustainable trade, and government procurement. The experts are available to policymaker to review draft strategies, analyze policy options, share experiences from other countries, and facilitate networking. Green Growth Expert Connect is available at no cost to government agency representatives from developing countries and supporting technical institutes.

## PARTNERS

### INTERNATIONAL

- United Nations Environment Programme (UN Environment)
- Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
- World Bank Group
- Additional 52 organizations from around the world participating as Knowledge Partners

