The Congo Basin Blue Fund is an African development fund that addresses climate change challenges on a continental and global scale. While aiming at regional integration and the well-being of populations, it finances projects based on the green and blue economy principles in each country involved in its governance. The Central African Development Bank (BDEAC) hosts the fund.

THE STRUCTURING OF THE FUND

The 24 sectoral programmes adopted by the Heads of State and Government of the CBCC aim to promote the climate and economic transition by relying on two levers:

- Technical capacity building
- Strengthening financial capacities by mobilising both private and public funds

Three priority areas have been identified:

- Sustainable development - environmental and socio-economic issues.
- Climate - adaptation, mitigation, and technology transfer.
- Policy - regional integration

A governance model based on the primacy of African competence

1. a mechanism created by 17 African countries
2. co-financed by Africans
3. a multi-country fund located in Africa
4. managed by African and international experts
5. to create a sustainable economic, social and environmental model for Africa

THE MANAGEMENT OF THE FUND

Since September 2021, the fund has been domiciled at the Banque de Développement des Etats d’Afrique Centrale (BDEAC), which acts as manager and shares the governance of the F2BC with the 16 member countries. The bank’s mission is to:

- Contribute to the implementation of the resource mobilisation strategy with national and international donors and philanthropic funds.
- Manage the pipeline of projects by monitoring and improving the maturity of projects and identifying new projects.
- Conduct and finalise the analysis of the bankability and positive externalities of the projects in the pipeline at socio-economic, environmental and climate levels.
The Heads of State and Government members of the CBCC provide strategic guidance. A joint Board of Directors, composed of the BDEAC and CBCC representatives, makes all management and investment decisions for the F2BC. This decision-making and operating process observe the principles of transparency and impartiality.

THE 24 SECTORAL PROGRAMMES

1. Development programme for the sustainable transport economy in the Congo Basin;
2. Development programme for the hydrometric and meteorological monitoring system economy;
3. Development programme for the economy of sustainable fishing and aquaculture;
4. Programme of the economy of pollution of invasive floating plants;
5. Hydroelectricity economy programme;
6. Development programme for the irrigation and drainage systems economy;
7. Development program for water and sanitation economy;
8. Development programme for the economy of solid waste management and treatment systems discharged into rivers and oceans;
9. Development programme for the wastewater treatment economy;
10. Development programme for the economy of drinking water supply;
11. Programme of the payment for environmental services (PES) economy based on sustainable water management;
12. Erosion control programme;
13. Development programme for the mangrove economy;
14. Development programme for ecotourism and recreation in wetlands, rivers, coastal and maritime areas;
15. Development programme for sanitary, phytosanitary, and environmental monitoring mechanisms;
16. Support programme for epidemiological surveillance;
17. Development programme for the economy of traditional aquatic know-how;
18. Development programme for scientific research skills and technological innovations;
19. Development programme for the Blue Economy diplomacy;
20. Development programme for the coastal economy and island ecosystems in the Congo Basin;
21. Support programme for civil society and vulnerable populations (women, youth, indigenous people);
22. Cross-cutting communications programme for awareness-raising information, education and marketing;
23. Protection of populations in coastal regions from extreme water-related events;
24. Sustainable management of water resources.