



Restoration Seed Capital Facility

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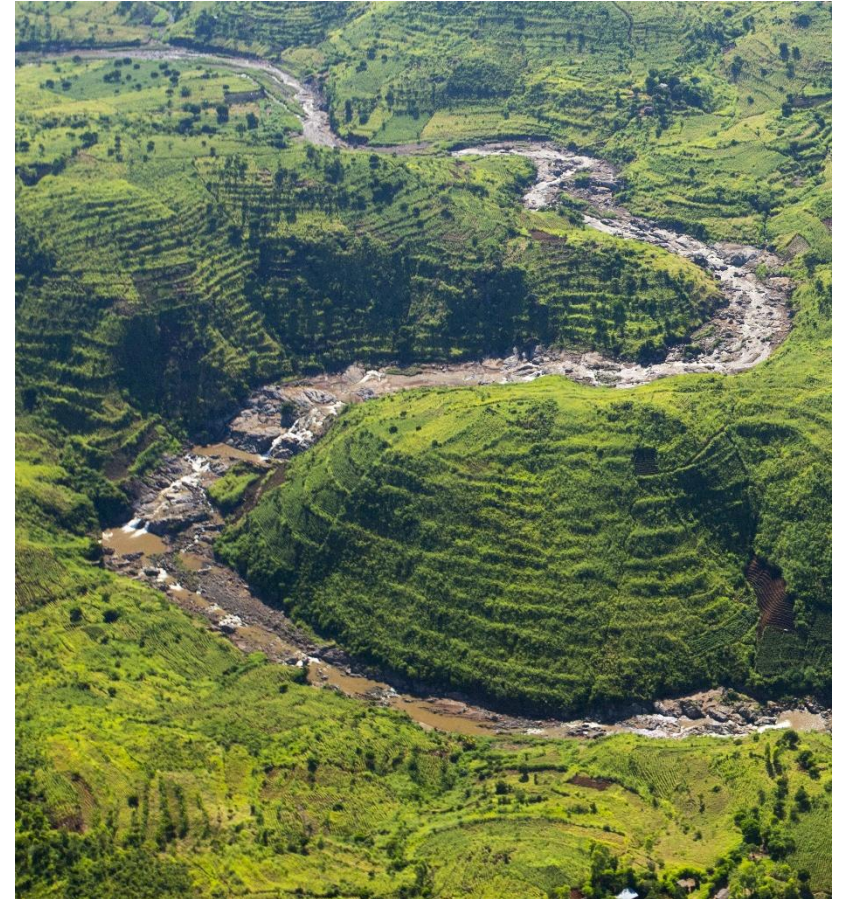
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The Restoration Seed Capital Facility – Overview and History

RSCF – Accelerating Investment

- The Restoration Seed Capital Facility aims to accelerate investment in forest restoration and protection.
- The Facility aims to contribute to climate change adaptation and mitigations, reduced biodiversity loss, and sustainable livelihoods.
- **Key bottlenecks holding back private investment:**
High risk perception and complexity of nature-based investments slow progress and increase costs particularly when:
 - Raising new impact investment funds
 - Developing a pipeline of investable opportunities



How RSCF works

The Restoration Seed Capital Facility supports the **early development** of forest landscape restoration (FLR) investment funds and projects, tailored for two use cases:

Who?	1. New investment vehicles	2. Funds in investment phase	
When?	Fund development	Pipeline development	Project development
What?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Fund establishment and fundraising	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Identification and early assessment of investment pipeline	<ul style="list-style-type: none">In-depth project assessment and preparation
How?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Reimbursable grants co-funding of up to 50% of eligible costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grant co-funding of up to 50% of eligible costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Reimbursable grants co-funding of up to 50% of eligible costs

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RSCF after five years

Key achievements

6

partners committed
to deliver RSCF's
vision

13

countries across
Latin America,
Africa and Asia
host RSCF projects

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projects receiving
support from RSCF

10

projects already
successfully reached
investment, 6 projects are
still under development

19

communication
products released

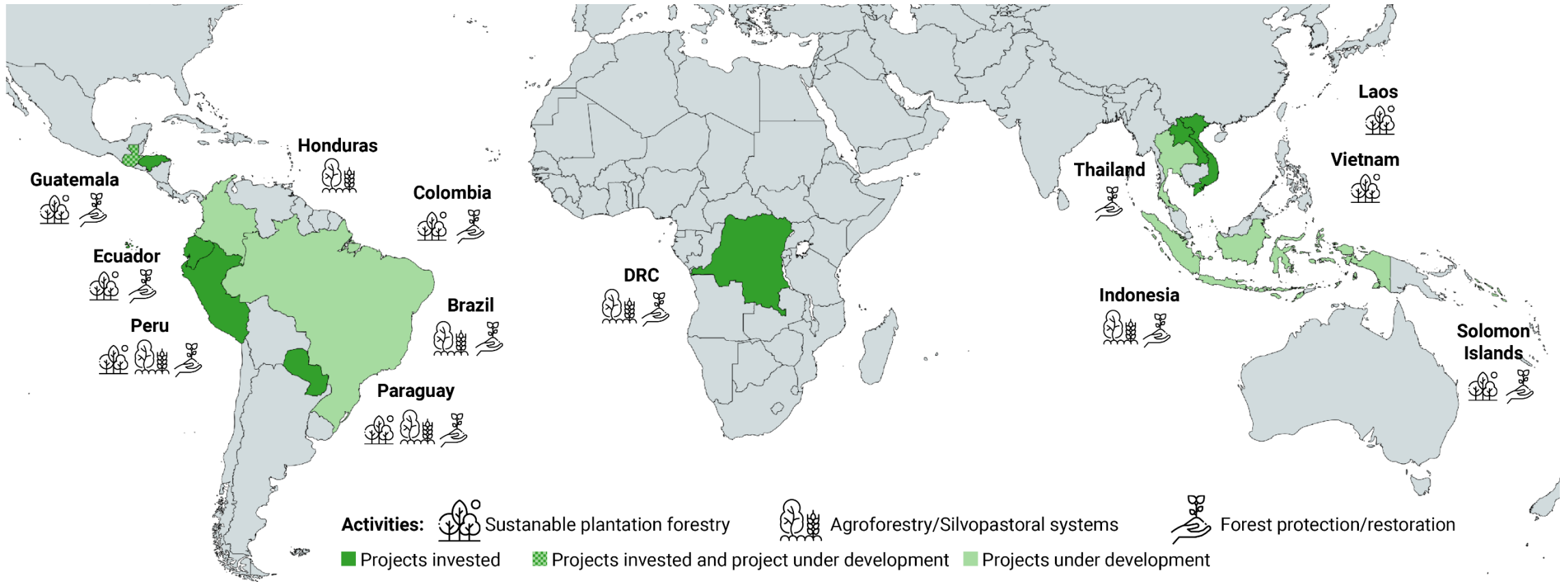
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knowledge exchange
events co-organized
or attended

60+

fund managers, project
developers and
governments reached

RSCF Projects span 13 countries



Impact in numbers*

**USD 212.1
million**

in additional
investments to
be mobilized by
the supported
projects

**849,463
ha of forest**

to be under
protection of which
725,453 ha of
natural habitat
protected or restored

**54.6 m
tons CO₂**

to be sequestered
over the lifetime of
the projects

**1.875
direct jobs**

to be created
contributing to
sustainable
livelihoods

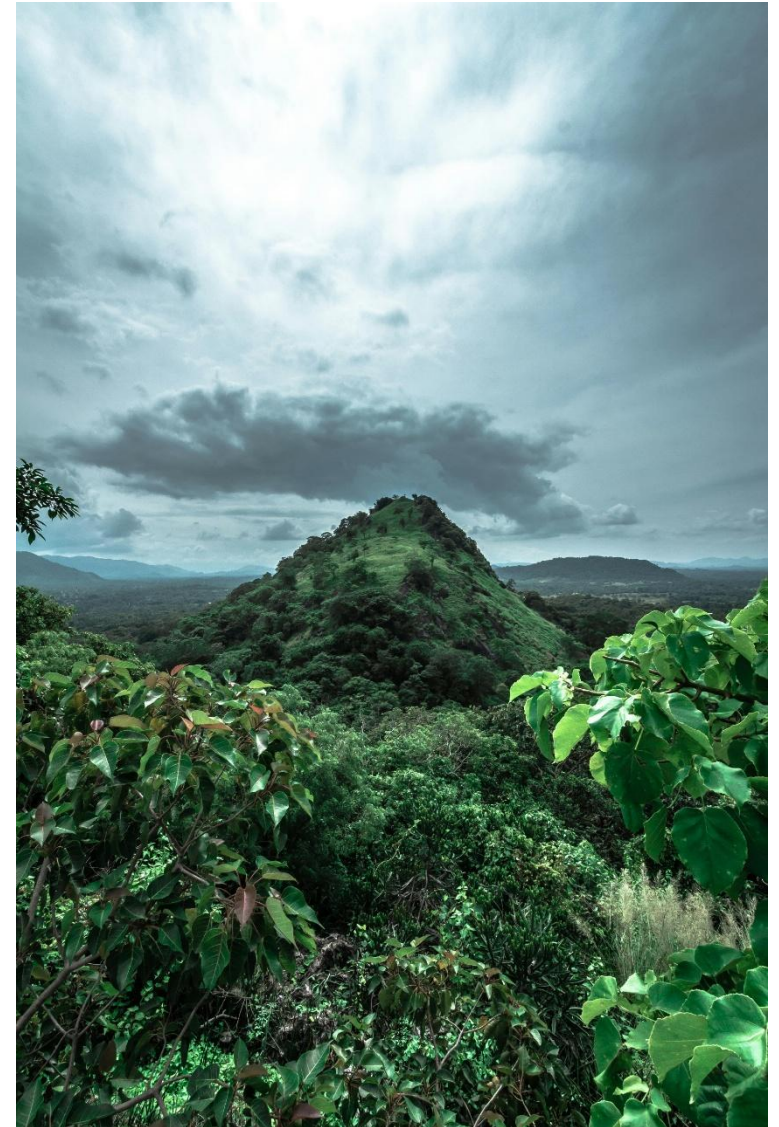
*The Restoration Seed Capital Facility provides preparatory support to early-stage forest landscape restoration projects. Given their stage of development, the figures presented in this report reflect ex-ante estimations of the impact to be generated by these projects after investment is mobilized and project activities are implemented, which can take few years.

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RSCF – What is new?

RSCF – Now open to project developers

- Renewed interest in carbon credits created alternative means for private capital to contribute to forest protection and restoration.
- Since November 2025, Pipeline and Project Development support is also available for project developers.
- RSCF is seeking project developers that can bring significant complementary contributions:
 - **Technical strength** that is essential at the earliest stages
 - Ability to steward **long-term value creation**
 - Offering flexibility to a **broader investor base**





RSCF – Support Lines *for Developers*

Pipeline and project development support

RSCF SL2 & 3 for pipeline and project development are now open for project developers

Support Lines	SL2 – pipeline development support	SL3 – Project development support
Mechanics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Executed under a one Cooperating Partner Agreement of up to USD 2.5m• RSCF support comes on a co-funding basis with a dollar-for-dollar matching• i.e. RSCF covers up to 50% of eligible costs• Example: for securing USD 2.5m RSCF funding the total development budget would be USD 5.0m• Partner co-funding needs to be private capital and RSCF cannot be matched with donor or philanthropic funding	
Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Max. USD 750k• Max. 30% of total budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Min. USD 1.75m• Min. 70% of total budget
Instrument	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grant co-funding of up to 50% of eligible costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reimbursable grants co-funding of up to 50% of eligible costs
Eligible items	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Early-stage development work• Pre-feasibility related work• Mainly external costs for studies, travel, early-stage assessments	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mid to later stage development work until financial close• DD and PDD related external costs• Consultants, legal support, travel



RSCF – Eligibility and Evaluation Criteria

Eligibility and evaluation criteria

Entity type

- Fund managers and investment advisors to investment vehicles
- Developers

Geographies

- All ODA-eligible countries
- Note: investments need to be in eligible countries, not partner domicile

E&S

- **E&S policy and ESMS according to highest international standards**
- Including climate change risk and impact

Sectors

- Forest restoration & protection, combined with sustainable land-use activities
- E.g. ARR, REDD+, Agroforestry, IFM, NTFP and value chain investments

Additionality

- **Enabling activities beyond business as usual (E&S, climate change related, risk, etc.)**
- Broadening of geographic & thematic scope of partners
- Unlock private capital

Portfolio

- **Portfolio approach; no standalone projects**
- Novel and innovative strategies or geographies
- Potential for replication and scalability

Capacity

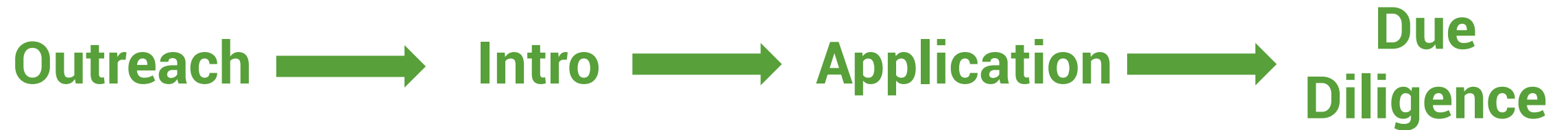
- Applicants need to demonstrate the commercial viability
- Technical expertise to execute
- **Track record on fundraising and management required**

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RSCF – Application Process

Application process

RSCF Agent to invite suitable interested parties for submitting an application after initial review of key eligibility criteria



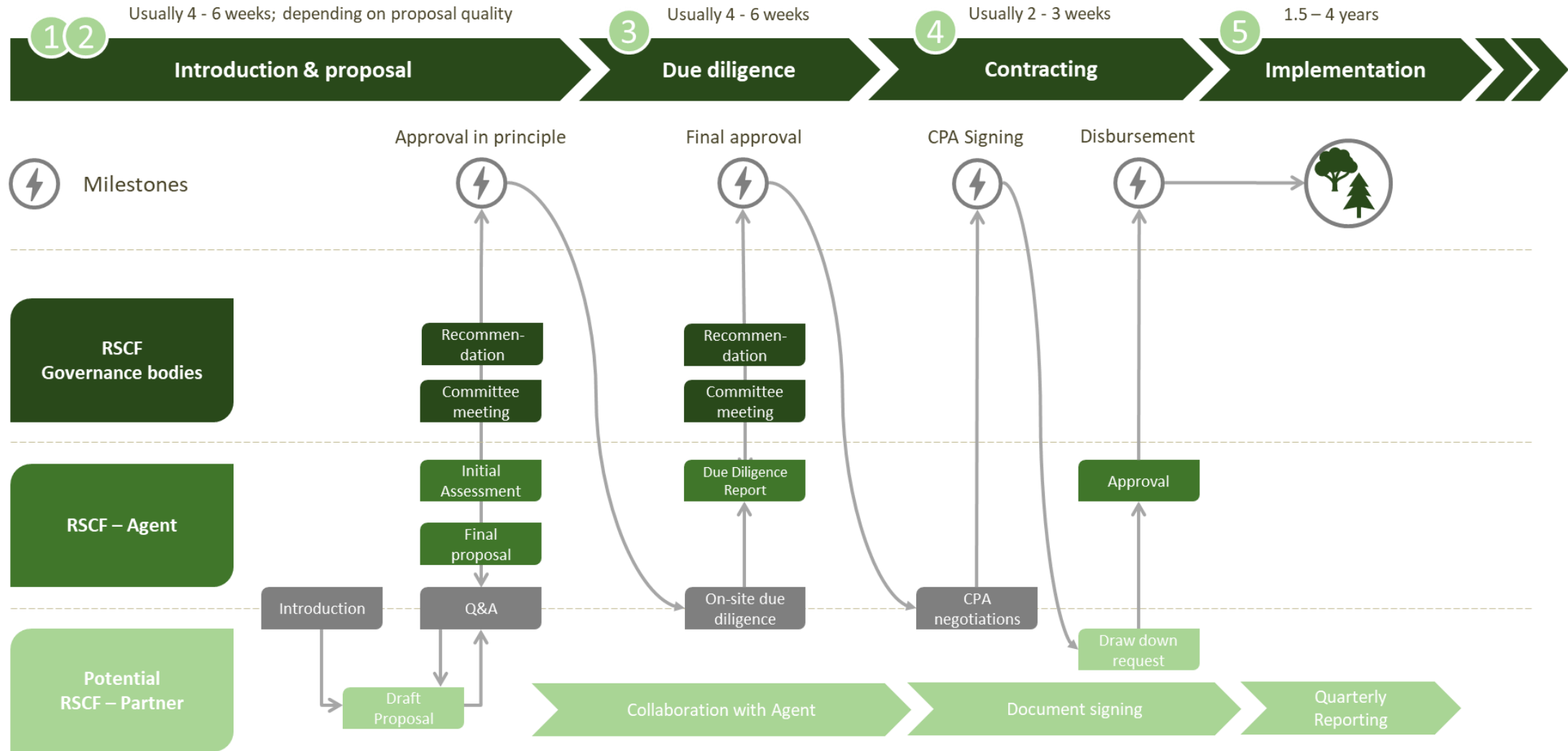
- Contact us
- info@restorationfacility.org
- Share initial documents with us (pitch deck, pipeline, etc.)

- Intro call with RSCF Agent
 - Present strategy
 - Sign NDA for further data and document sharing
- Decision if application can proceed

- Fill RSCF application templates
- Share annexes
- Usually, several commenting rounds required before IC1

- Office and on-site due diligence
- IC2 for partnership decision

Engagement process





RSCF – Frequently Asked Questions

Frequently Asked Questions

Are all developers eligible?

- Only the ones who meet the outlined eligibility criteria
- Developers need to demonstrate how they align with those
- Only then an application process can be initiated

What type of developers are you looking for?

- Developers who are building a portfolio of projects
- Developers need to have the financial expertise to raise capital and manage the projects
- Long term engagement with project operations required

Is there an allocation policy/ limit for RSCF?

- RSCF will deploy its fund 50/50 between fund managers and developers

How long does the Facility run and is there an extension planned?

- Current lifetime is until 2027 but an extension is in discussion.



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