



# Climate Risk and Early Warning Systems Trust Fund

## Financial Report

Prepared by the Trustee

*As of December 31, 2018*



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## Introduction

The Climate Risk and Early Warning Systems (CREWS) Initiative was officially launched at the 21<sup>st</sup> session of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Conference of the Parties (COP21) in Paris, France as part of the Solutions Agenda. It aims to strengthen and increase the capacity for Multi-Hazards Early Warning Systems, to generate and communicate effective impact-based early warnings and risk information for hazardous hydro-meteorological and climate events to protect lives, livelihoods, and property in Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and Small Islands Developing States (SIDS).

The CREWS Trust Fund was established in September 2016. This report covers the financial status of the CREWS Trust Fund, and is produced by the Trustee in accordance with the Trustee's role in the CREWS Governance Document, as set forth under Section 18, which states:

*"The Trustee will provide to the Steering Committee regular reports on the financial status of the CREWS Trust Fund."*

In addition, Section 8 of the Standard Provisions in the Contribution Agreement/Arrangement states, as follows:

*"The Trustee shall maintain separate records and ledger accounts in respect of the funds in the Trust Fund and transfers made therefrom. The Trustee shall report to the Steering Committee annually unless otherwise agreed between the Trustee and the Steering Committee, on the financial status of the Trust Fund, including information on status of Contributions, investment income, commitments, transfers and funds available for allocation by the Steering Committee."*



## CREWS Trust Fund Financial Summary as of December 31, 2018

### ***Pledges and Contributions:***

A pledge represents a contributor's expression of intent to make a contribution. Pledges are formalized into Contributions by way of a Contribution Agreement/Arrangement between the Contributor and the Trustee.

As of December 31, 2018, contributions to the CREWS Trust Fund totaled US\$ 37.53 million. Of this amount, US\$ 35.71 million has been deposited into the CREWS Trust Fund.

### ***Investment Income:***

As of December 31, 2018, the CREWS Trust Fund earned investment income of approximately USD 0.34 million on the liquid balances of the Trust Fund. The CREWS Trust Fund balance is allocated to a short term fixed income portfolio which has returned approximately 1.96% during calendar year 2018.

### ***Funding Approvals:***

As of December 31, 2018, the CREWS Steering Committee had approved funding from the CREWS Trust Fund totaling USD 25.77 million to cover projects and fees as well as administrative budgets to support the activities of the CREWS Secretariat and Trustee.

### ***Cash Transfers:***

The Trustee has transferred a total of USD 23.14 million up to December 31, 2018, of which USD 18.56 million is related to projects.

### ***Funds Held in Trust:***

Funds Held in Trust<sup>1</sup> reflect contributions paid-in from contributors and investment income earned, less cash transfers by the Trustee. Funds Held in Trust as of December 31, 2018 amounted to US\$ 12.90 million.

### ***Funds Available for CREWS Steering Committee Funding Decisions:***

Funds available to support CREWS Steering Committee funding decisions amounted to USD 10.28 million as of December 31, 2018.

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<sup>1</sup> Funds Held in Trust represents balance of cash, investments and unencashed promissory notes (if any) as of the reporting date.



## 1. CREWS Trust Fund Summary – Inception through December 31, 2018

*In USD millions*

	Total	% of Total
<b><u>Donor Pledges and Contributions</u></b>		
Contributions	37.53	100.0%
Pledges	-	0.0%
<b>Total Pledges and Contributions</b>	<b>37.53</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

<b><u>Cumulative Resources</u></b>		
<u>Resources received</u>		
Cash Receipts	35.71	94.3%
Investment Income earned	0.34	0.9%
<b>Total Resources Received</b>	<b>36.04</b>	<b>95.2%</b>
<u>Resources not yet received</u>		
Contributions not yet received	1.83	4.8%
Pledges	-	0.0%
<b>Total resources not yet received</b>	<b>1.83</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
<b>Total Potential Resources (A) (in USD millions)</b>	<b>37.87</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

<b><u>Cumulative Funding Decisions</u></b>		
Projects	20.84	80.9%
Fees	2.64	10.2%
Administrative Budget	2.29	8.9%
<b>Total Funding Decisions Net of Cancellations (B)</b>	<b>25.77</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Total Potential Resources Net of Funding Decisions (A) - (B)</b>	<b>12.10</b>	

<b><u>Funds Available</u></b>		
Funds Held in Trust with no restrictions	12.90	
Approved Amounts Pending Cash Transfers	2.63	
<b>Total Funds Available to Support Steering Committee Decisions</b>	<b>10.28</b>	

Note: sub-totals may not add up to due to rounding



## 2. Pledges and Contributions as of December 31, 2018

*In millions*

Contributor	Curr	Pledge in Currency of Contribution	Effective (or signed) Contribution	Receipts in Currency of Contribution	Receipts in USDeq. a/
Australia	AUD	5.00	5.00	3.97	2.99
France	EUR	15.00	15.00	15.00	16.69
Germany	EUR	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.13
Luxembourg	EUR	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.65
Netherlands	USD	3.35	3.35	2.25	2.25
Switzerland	CHF	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
<b>Total Contributions Received</b>					<b>35.71</b>

a/ Represents actual USD receipts

*Note: totals may not add up due to rounding*

### HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2018 TO DECEMBER 31, 2018:

- The Trustee executed a contribution agreement with Switzerland in the amount of CHF 9 million. The funds were received during the period.

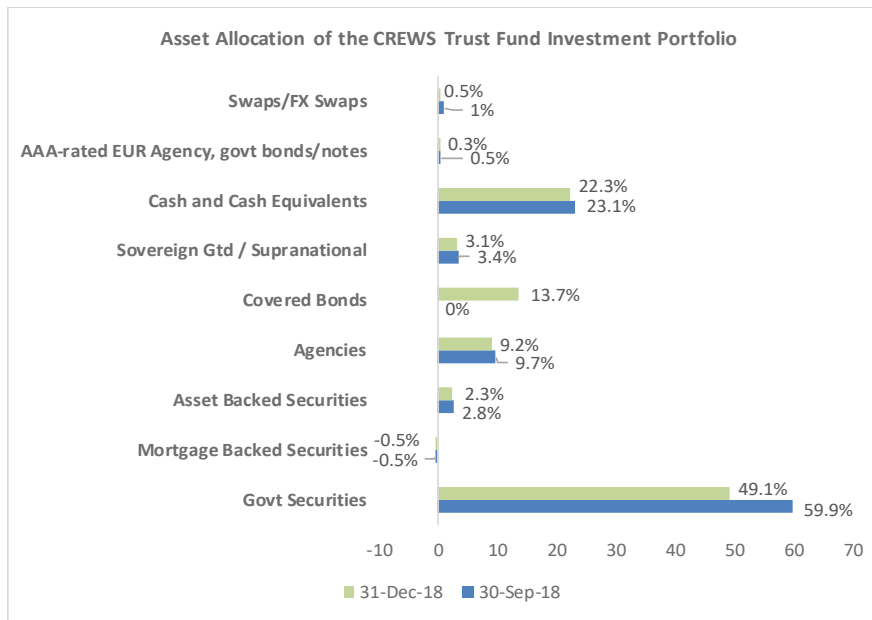


### 3. Asset Mix and Investment Income

#### ASSET MIX

Funds held in trust by the World Bank (as the Trustee) are maintained in a commingled investment portfolio (the “Pool”) for all trust funds administered by the World Bank. The World Bank uses the Conditional Value-at-Risk (CVaR) measure as the risk constraint in the management of trust funds. Funds are managed such that the expected maximum loss, as measured by the CVaR, at the portfolio’s investment horizon, is not to exceed 1% with 99% confidence.

The portfolio allocation by asset class has the largest allocations to government securities and money market instruments.

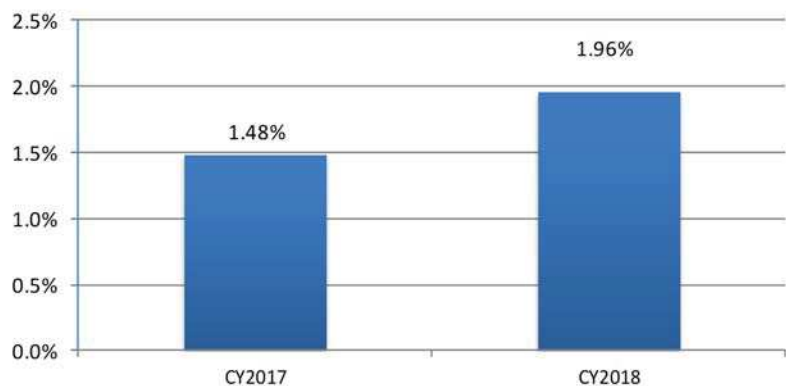


*Note: Mortgage Backed Securities allocation includes To-Be Announced (TBA) contracts for which only Mark-To-Market (MTM) is used to calculate the value of the position which, as a result, could be negative.*

*Covered Bonds are securities issued by banks and mortgage institutions which provide additional protective layer to the investors wherein the investor has recourse to the issuer and collateral. In the September 2018 report, Covered Bonds were clubbed under Govt Securities.*

#### INVESTMENT RETURNS

The CREWS Trust Fund balances are invested in accordance with the investment strategy established for all trust funds administered by the World Bank. They are invested in a short term fixed income portfolio with an investment horizon of one year. The CREWS Trust Fund portfolio has earned approximately USD 0.34 million in investment income since inception.





## 4. Cumulative Funding Decisions

In USD millions

<u>Projects</u>	<u>Implementing Partner</u>	<u>as of December 31, 2018</u>
Burkina Faso	WMO	1.94
Caribbean	WMO	0.28
Caribbean	IBRD	2.58
	UNISDR	0.28
	WMO	2.00
Congo, DR	IBRD	2.51
	WMO	0.26
Mali	IBRD	2.78
	WMO	0.22
Niger	IBRD	2.24
	WMO	0.22
Pacific Islands	WMO	2.18
Papua New Guinea	WMO	1.46
West Africa	WMO	1.62
Global	WMO	0.28
		<b>20.84</b>
<b><u>Fees</u></b>		
IBRD		1.14
UNISDR		0.04
WMO		1.46
		<b>2.64</b>
<b><u>Administrative Budget</u></b>		
Secretariat a/		1.92
Trustee		0.37
		<b>2.29</b>
<b>Total Funding Decisions</b>		<b>25.77</b>

a/ includes support from Implementing Partners, provided through staff secondments

Note: sub-totals may not add up due to rounding





## 5. Funds Available

In USD millions

	As of <u>December 31, 2018</u> (a)	As of <u>September 30, 2018</u> (b)	Change since last report (a) - (b)
<b>1. Cumulative Receipts</b>	<b>36.04</b>	<b>26.97</b>	<b>9.07</b>
a. Cash receipts from Contributors	35.71	26.71	9.00
b. Investment Income earned	0.34	0.26	0.07
<b>2. Cumulative Cash Transfers</b>	<b>23.14</b>	<b>22.89</b>	<b>0.25</b>
a. Projects	18.56	18.56	-
b. Fees	2.30	2.30	-
c. Administrative Budget	2.29	2.04	0.25
<b>3. Funds Held in Trust ( 3 = 1 - 2 )</b>	<b>12.90</b>	<b>4.08</b>	<b>8.82</b>
<b>4. Funding Decisions Pending Cash Transfer</b>	<b>2.63</b>	<b>2.87</b>	<b>(0.25)</b>
<b>5. Funds available to support Steering Committee decisions ( 5 = 3 - 4 )</b>	<b>10.28</b>	<b>1.20</b>	<b>9.07</b>

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## Glossary

Term	Definition
IBRD	International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
IP	Implementing Partner
UNISDR	United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction
WMO	World Meteorological Organization