



BIM Information Session on Direct Budget Support

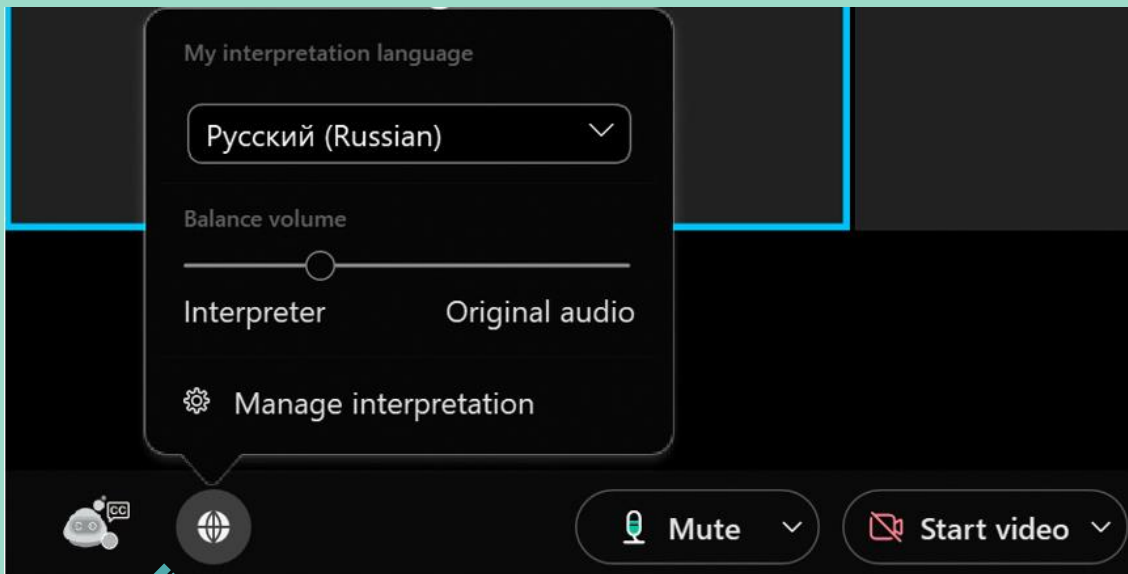
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Agenda

1. Overview of the Barbados Implementation Modalities (BIM)
2. Overview of the Direct Budget Support (DBS) through national governments modality
3. Modalities for operationalizing DBS
4. Risk Management Framework for DBS
5. Next steps
6. Q&A

Overview of the BIM: FRLD's start-up phase

1



\$250 million for 2025
and 2026

2



**\$5 million to \$20
million grants** per
funding request

3



**Minimum allocation
floor of 50%** for SIDS
and LDCs

Call for funding requests: Dec 15th 2025 – June 15th 2026

Materials for preparing FRs

FUNDING REQUEST TEMPLATE for the Barbados Implementation Modalities

This document contains the template to be used when submitting funding requests under the Barbados Implementation Modalities (BIM).



TERMS OF REFERENCE for the call for funding requests under the Barbados Implementation Modalities

This document contains the terms of reference that are applicable to the call for funding requests under the Barbados Implementation Modalities (BIM).

It is accompanied by the document "Funding request template for the Barbados Implementation Modalities".

Guidance note on preparing funding requests under the Barbados Implementation Modalities

This document contains the guidance for national focal points or authorities and access entities preparing funding requests under the Barbados Implementation Modalities (BIM).



All documents available at: <https://www.frlld.org/node/bim>

Overview – Access Modalities

Direct access via direct budget support:

- 1. Through national governments**
- 2. In partnership with MDBs accredited to the AF, GEF, and GCF** and which have been granted access to the funds.

Access in partnership with entities accredited to the Adaptation Fund, Global Environment Facility, and Green Climate Fund

The full list of entities accredited to the AF, GEF, and GCF is available on the FRLD website:
<https://www.frlid.org/nodebimaccess>

Overview – Decision on Direct Budget Support at B8



The Board:
[...]

- *Decides* to adopt **the modalities for operationalizing direct access via direct budget support through national governments** under the Barbados Implementation Modalities [...];
- To adopt **the risk management framework for direct access via direct budget support** through national governments [...] including the zero-tolerance for prohibited practices therein;
- that [...] **the identification of risks will be project/programme related and done by the national ministry** in alignment with the mandate and scope of the FRLD;
- *Confirms* that the modalities and the risk management framework [...] entails **the approach for functional equivalency assessment as well as for determining functional equivalency of national ministries** [...]

A Focused Risk-Based Approach

Focused scope

- limited to the mandate and scope of the FRLD and scope of the proposed activities, taking into account the country context.
- ≠ Not a full assessment of the policies and procedures of the national ministry

Focused on risks

- Focus on project/programme-related risks: refers to the risks entailed in the implementation of funded activities only
- ≠ Not a full gap assessment against existing standards

Focused on critical areas for implementation of funded activities

- Fiduciary standards
- Environmental and social safeguards
- Project/programme implementation frameworks

A dual process

1

Modalities for operationalizing DBS

2

Risk management framework for DBS



Modalities for operationalizing DBS

1

National ministry has already received funding from an international financial organization* within the past 5 years

2

National ministry hasn't received any funding from an international financial organization in the past 5 years

*the World Bank Group, the African Development Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the Asian Development Bank, the European Investment Bank, the International Monetary Fund, bilateral donors, the European Commission, and other international financial institutions with a development mandate.

Risk Management Framework

Guiding principles

Risk identification

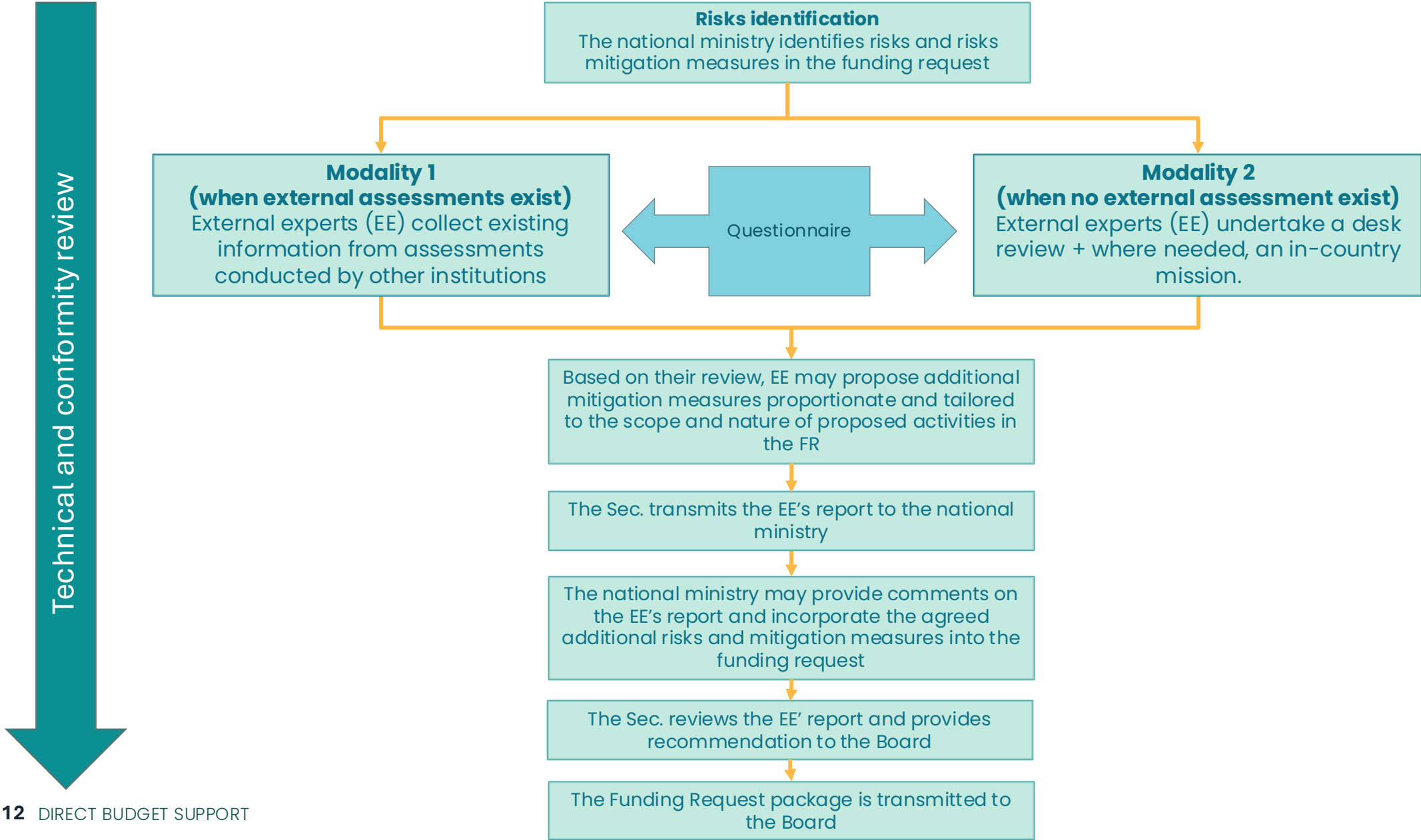
- Streamlined processes**
 - Risk identification and mitigation integrated into the funding cycle
- Risk-informed decision making**
 - Mitigation measures embedded in the implementation of the activities
- Country-ownership**
 - National ministry assess and manage risks
- Proportionality & adaptability**
 - Mitigation measures tailored to nature and scope of the activities, risk level, funding size, capacity & context
- Transparency and Accountability**
 - National ministry responsible for managing and reporting on risks
- Learning and continuous improvement**
 - Lessons learned from the BIM will contribute to the long-term model

Tailored to the scope and nature of the activities, for the scope of the BIM, and in the specific context of the proposed Funding Request



Identified by national ministry

Risk Identification Process



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Project/programme-related risks
Identified by national ministry

Risk classification

- Done by Secretariat*
- High**
 - Medium**
 - Low**

Recommendation and approval

Recommendation to the Board

Approval by the Board

Monitoring and reporting



Zero tolerance for prohibited practices

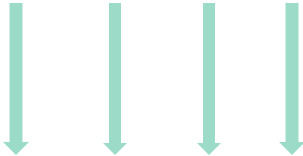
Recommendation of risk mitigation measures and phasing options where necessary



Board approval

Project/programme level

Done by national ministry



Portfolio level

Done by Secretariat

Done by the Secretariat, based on the Funding Request and the external experts' assessment

Next steps



- **The DBS modality is open under the BIM**
- **Countries can already submit Funding Requests that include DBS**
- **The Secretariat will update (i) the funding cycle; (ii) the funding request template; and (iii) the guidance note for preparing funding requests**
- **A questionnaire will be annexed to the funding request template (or sent retroactively for DBS requests already submitted)**

Question & Answer

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