



FRLD in Senegal: Advancing Climate Action and Solidarity

Executive Director of the FRLD meets with the Présidence de la République du Sénégal to advance Climate action and Solidarity.



On 1 September 2025, FRLD Executive Director, Ibrahima Cheikh DIONG met with Présidence de la République du Sénégal His Excellency, Bassirou Diomaye Faye on the margins of the AFS Forum 2025. The meeting explored Senegal's climate vulnerability and elaborated on the Fund's role in providing timely and targeted support.



The engagement emphasized the spirit of global solidarity that led to the Fund's creation, highlighting the urgent need to ensure its success and impact. It acknowledged the FRLD as a landmark initiative designed to address irreversible climate impacts that exceed the limits of adaptation and mitigation.



While the complexity of this mandate presents design challenges, the ED reaffirmed the Board's commitment to a balanced approach that prioritizes both timely delivery and long-term sustainability.



The ED provided an update on the Fund's progress, including the Board's commitment to launch a startup phase during our fifth board meeting in Barbados, dubbed the Barbados Implementation Modalities (BIM). The Fund is now transitioning from design to implementation, and further refinements of the BIM are underway.



The discussions reiterated the Fund's commitment to its central objective: to deliver support with speed, precision, and equity to the countries' most at risk. They stressed the need for substantial and sustained funding to meet the scale of global loss and damage through predictable and impactful funding flows.



President Faye will champion increased capitalization of the Fund at regional and global levels. Senegal's voice will be instrumental in mobilizing international solidarity and sustaining momentum for meaningful action.



The Fund remains committed to working closely with governments, partners, and communities aligned with national priorities. It will ensure complementarity with other climate mechanisms while fostering coherence across the broader climate finance architecture.

