

AWARD Climate Action (ACA) Fellowship

Accelerating African Women's Leadership in Climate Action

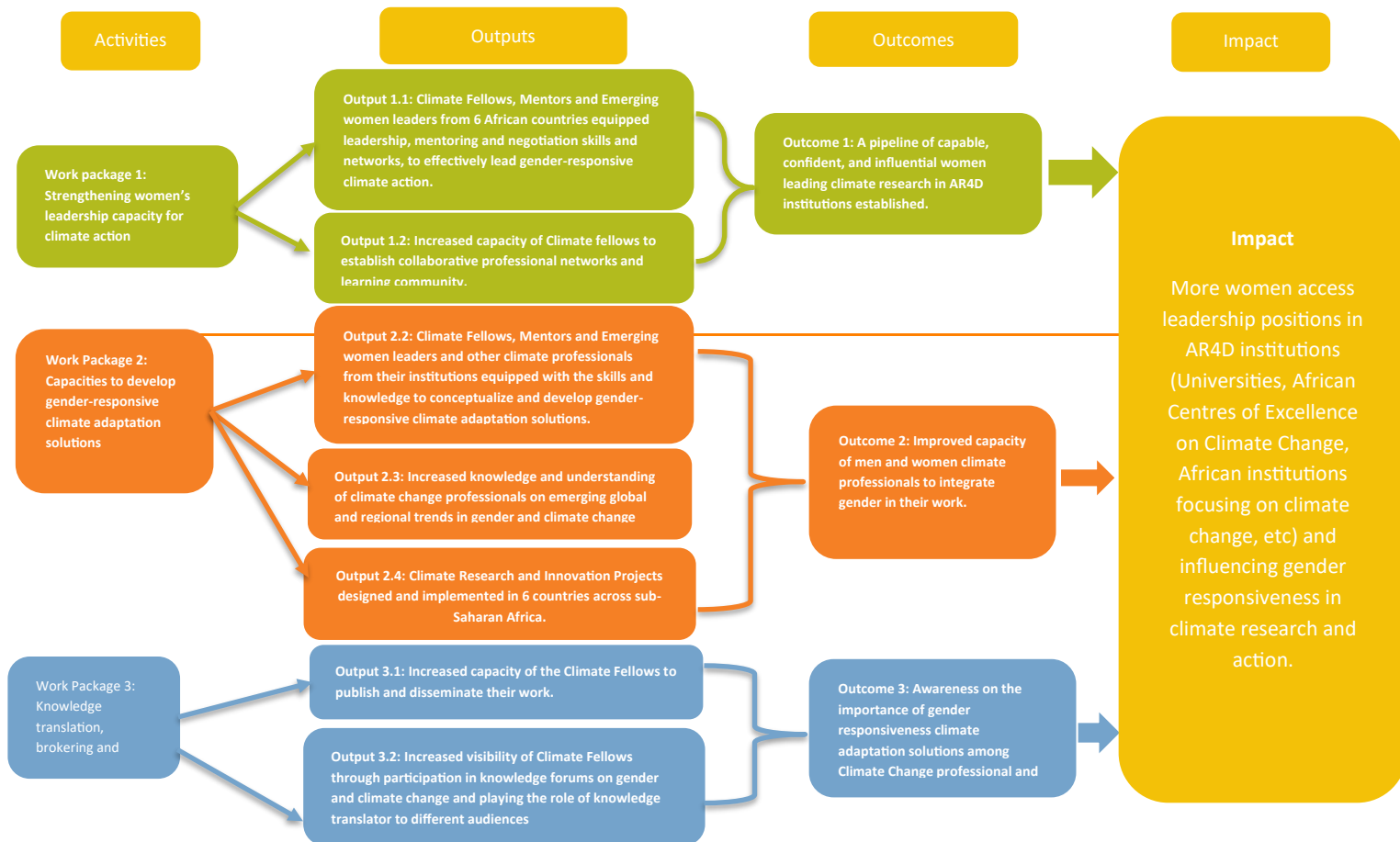
Overall Goal:

To build a pool of capable, confident, and influential African women who lead climate action and produce **climate solutions that work for women smallholders.**

Target beneficiaries:

- ❖ 100 Women Climate Fellows – Researchers, policymakers, and practitioners
- ❖ 100 Seasoned experts in gender, climate change, and agri-food systems (men and women as mentors)
- ❖ 100 Emerging women leaders (mentees) – engaged in climate change

- ❖ **Non-residential blended fellowship** – in-person workshops, virtual trainings, and practical engagements
- ❖ **Delivered in 2 Cohorts over 2 years**
- ❖ **Six Focus Countries:** Benin, Cameroon, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, and Senegal



Project Interventions

Strengthen the leadership, mentoring, and negotiation skills of African women climate change professionals

- ❖ Building leadership and negotiation skills
- ❖ Fostering mentoring partnerships
- ❖ Forging collaborative networks and a learning community

Enhance the capabilities of African women and men climate change professionals to incorporate gender in their climate change research and practice

- ❖ Strengthening capacity for developing gender responsive climate adaptation solutions
- ❖ Climate research innovation projects (CRIPs)
- ❖ Webinar series on emerging global and regional trends

Amplify the voices and increase the visibility of African women climate change professionals in global and regional climate change dialogues

- ❖ Role modelling activities
- ❖ Storytelling training and practicum
- ❖ Knowledge generation and dissemination

Progress to date

- ❖ 47 Climate Fellows selected and matched with suitable mentors
- ❖ Conducted Training needs assessment to guide content development and delivery
- ❖ Leadership and Negotiation course delivered with over **100%** participant satisfaction and relevance rating.
- ❖ One-year mentoring program kicked off with a successful Mentoring Orientation Workshop
- ❖ Preparations for Cohort 2 underway

- ❖ Gender in climate change course preparations and content development underway
- ❖ Climate Research Innovation Projects (CRIPs) guidelines and template conceptualization underway

- ❖ Storytelling and dissemination components are scheduled for later in the program as concrete outcomes emerge