

3rd CLIMATE ADAPTATION INVESTMENT PLANNING FORUM 2026

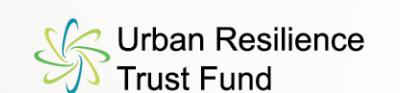
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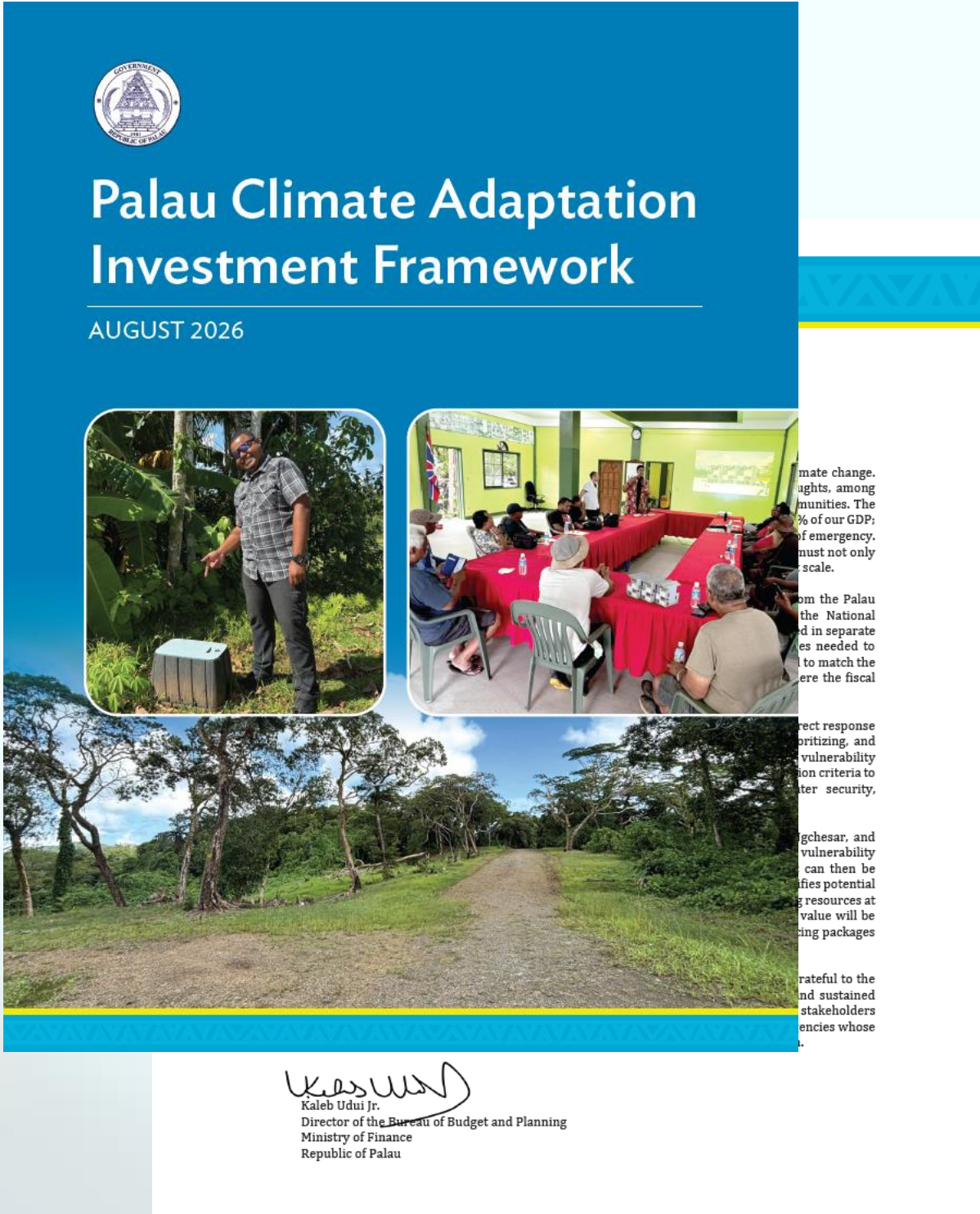
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Present country profile and climate risks (1 minute)



Palau is a small island developing state in the Pacific.

- **Increasing climate risks:** typhoons, droughts/extreme rainfall, sea-level rise, erosion, and landslides are affecting communities, housing, and critical infrastructure.
- **Growing adaptation finance needs:** future costs exceed current fiscal capacity; programmatic investment planning is essential.
- **Small country context:** Development priorities and climate priorities overlap and cannot be addressed discretely.

Present the CAIP (sector, geographic scope, investment packages) (1 minute)



Climate Resilient Housing

Projects:

- A1, A16 A5, A12, A8

- Upgraded subdivision infrastructure (drainage, slope stabilisation)
- Measures to ensure resilience of power and telecom utilities
- Safe, climate-resilient housing development across five states



Water Security

Projects:

- A13, A2, A9, A17

- Expansion of water sources and storage
- New dam construction + supply pipelines
- Water extensions + emergency community tanks



Resilient and Inclusive Connectivity

Projects:

- A3, A6, A19, A14, A10

- Priority roads and enhanced access routes
- Low-lying and coastal road improvements
- Erosion-control measures to protect communities and reefs



Climate Resilient Public and Coastal Infrastructure

Projects:

- A11, A4, A15, A7, A18

- Dock elevation and strengthening for SLR and storm surge
- Improved maritime access for trade and emergency response
- Climate-proofing essential public buildings (State office & school)

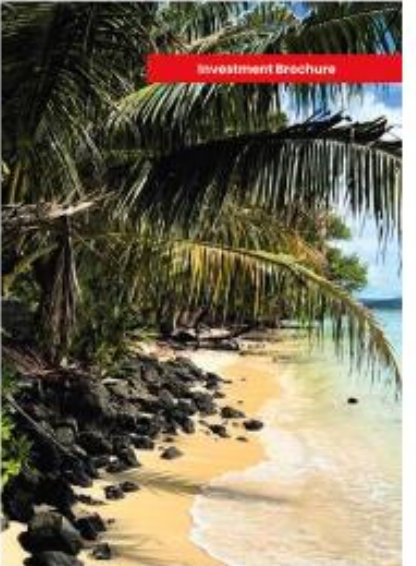


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- Measurable Outcomes:** Robust monitoring and evaluation frameworks will ensure accountability and progress tracking, with clear metrics for success.
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Present key lessons learned (1 minute)

#1. Development assistance supports country priorities well when coordinated and complementary – CAIP picked up on the capacity established and masterplans developed through GEF 6 project.

#2 Planning coherence across spatial, sectoral and governance boundaries require coordination – need for a central planning authority to coordinate long-term development and adaptation priorities across ministries and states.

#3. Absence of national standards (zoning, building code) limits opportunities for coordinated strategic planning and investment mobilization – small project sizes lacking wider strategic value.

#4. State government require financial and technical capacity to address adaptation needs - most states have weak fiscal and administrative capacity, and depend heavily on national transfers, with limited capacity to finance adaptation investments. Outer islands face the highest impacts and are most constrained.

#6. Technical and institutional support needed to enhance access to international climate finance – TA needed to support development of bankable proposals, strengthen capacity for fiduciary safeguards, and coordinate cofinance.