

November 7, 2013

**JOINT SUMMARY OF THE CHAIRS
45TH GEF COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 5 – 7, 2013**

OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. The meeting was opened by Naoko Ishii, Chief Executive Officer/Chairperson of the Facility.

ELECTION OF A CHAIRPERSON

2. The Council elected Ms. Margarita Perez Villaseñor, the Council Member representing Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, and Venezuela.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

3. The Council adopted the provisional agenda set forth in document GEF/C.45/01/Rev.01.

Update on GEF 2020

4. The Council heard a presentation from the GEF CEO, Naoko Ishii.

Update on GEF-6 Replenishment

5. The Secretariat reported on the progress on GEF-6 replenishment negotiations, including on the second replenishment meeting held in Delhi in September 2013.

Statements by the Executive Secretaries of the Conventions

6. The Council had an interactive session on synergies with the Conventions, represented by Mr. Braulio Ferreira de Souza Dias, Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity, Mrs. Monique Barbut, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification, and Mr. Jim Willis, Executive Secretary of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions. In addition, a presentation was made by the Head of the Interim Executive Secretary of the Minamata Convention on Mercury, Mr. Tim Kasten.

Report of the Chairperson of the Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel

7. Dr. Rosina Bierbaum, the Chairperson of the Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel, made a statement to the Council on the activities undertaken by the Panel.

DECISIONS APPROVED

8. The Council approved the following decisions with respect to the items on its agenda.

Decision on Agenda Item 4

Annual Monitoring Review FY13: Part I

9. The Council having reviewed GEF/C.45/05, *Annual Monitoring Review (AMR) FY 13: Part I*, welcomes the overall finding that the GEF portfolio under implementation in FY 13 performed satisfactorily across all focal areas. The Council welcomes the project cycle analysis in the management effectiveness section as well as inclusion of an annual status update on Enabling Activities and Programmatic Approaches and the information provided on the National Portfolio Formulation Exercise (NPFE).

10. The Council requests the Secretariat, in collaboration with the Agencies, to report on the progress against GEF-5 programming targets in the Annual Monitoring Review, Part II at the spring 2014 meeting. Subsequent reporting on progress against replenishment programming targets should be included in AMR, Part I.

Decision on Agenda Item 5

Annual Report on Impact and Management Response

11. The Council, having reviewed document GEF/ME/C.45/1, “*Annual Report on Impact*”, and document GEF/ME/C.45/2, “*Management Response to the Annual Report on Impact*,” notes the considerable achievements of GEF support to Climate Change Mitigation in China, India, Mexico and Russia. It notes that in several projects progress toward impact was slowed down by barriers to change that were not fully included in project design and implementation. However, it is also noted that the current portfolio of mitigation support has shifted towards tackling broader adoption in a more comprehensive way in mitigation support in GEF-5. The Council requests the Secretariat to include this emphasis and where necessary further strengthen it in the proposals for GEF-6.

12. Furthermore, the Council requests the GEF Secretariat, in collaboration with STAP and other relevant entities, to continue its work on the improvement of the methodology of GHG emission reduction calculations, and to engage in a dialogue to improve (i) the assessment of direct GHG emission reduction during project implementation and at completion, and (ii) improved estimation of indirect GHG emission reduction. The Council requests the GEF Secretariat to report back by the next Council meeting with proposals on the way forward.

Decision on Agenda Item 6

Progress Report of the GEF Evaluation Office Director, including the OPS5 Progress Report and Management Response

13. The Council, having reviewed document GEF/ME/C.45/03 Rev.01, “*Progress Report of the GEF Evaluation Office Director, including the OPS5 Progress Report*,” and GEF/ME/C.45/08, “*Management Response to the Progress Report of the GEF Evaluation Office Director, including the OPS5 Progress Report*,” takes note of the on-going work of the Office and the progress report on the Fifth Overall Performance Study of the GEF, as well as the upcoming peer review and the international trends on independence of evaluation. The Council approves the name change of the Office to GEF Independent Evaluation Office (GEFIEO).

14. The Council requests the Secretariat and the Evaluation Office to prepare a proposal for amendment of the Instrument to include the Independent Evaluation Office, to be approved by Council before the Assembly in 2014.

Decision on Agenda Item 7

Mid-Term Evaluation of the System for Transparent Allocation of Resources and Management Response

15. The Council, having reviewed document GEF/ME/C.45/04, “*Mid-Term Evaluation of the System of Transparent Allocation of Resources (STAR)*,” and document GEF/ME/C.45/05, “*Management Response to the Mid-Term Evaluation of STAR*,” notes the contribution of STAR to increased country ownership and country led programming in the GEF. Without prejudice to the policy recommendations related to the STAR that may emerge from the GEF-6 replenishment negotiations, the Council requests the Secretariat to take into account the following recommendations while preparing the STAR for GEF-6 for Council consideration:

- (a) Limits for flexible use of focal area allocations for activities could be increased for countries with marginal flexibility;
- (b) The STAR index could be improved through specification of better indicators and updating of data;
- (c) The implementation of STAR could be fine-tuned on several aspects, most notably a more thorough calculation of the allocations with sufficient quality control, and improvements in the process for STAR calculation and database management.

16. Given the moderate and relatively slow utilization of Sustainable Forest Management in GEF-5 the Council requests the Secretariat to ensure that the development of new programs should give attention to efforts that would be required to make the GEF partnership aware of the operational rules and procedures of these programs.

Decision on Agenda Item 8

Mid-Term Evaluation of the National Portfolio Formulation Exercise (NPFE) and Management Response

17. The Council, having reviewed GEF/ME/C.45/06, “*Mid-Term Evaluation of the National Portfolio Evaluation Exercise (NPFE)*,” and GEF/ME/C.45/07, “*Management Response to the Mid-Term Evaluation of the NPFE*,” notes the relevance of the NPFEs to address the pre-identification phase of GEF support and its notable success in creating capacity in countries to coordinate and program GEF interventions. The Council requests the Secretariat to:

- (a) Include in the final replenishment proposals the continuation of NPFE support in GEF-6, to be implemented through the Secretariat;
- (b) Use the balance of the GEF-5 NPFE support for programming exercises especially in LDCs and SIDS in 2014, to enable countries on a voluntary basis to prepare for GEF-6;

- (c) Include in the final replenishment proposals capacity development initiatives for GEF-6 (including NPFE, NDI, NCSA and a follow-up to the Capacity Development Strategy of GEF-5) which aim to achieve a more comprehensive understanding of the GEF in partners and stakeholders at the country level, especially in LDCs and SIDS;
- (d) Update NPFE guidelines to address information needs of the countries for programming on topics such as eligibility criteria, cofinancing expectations, and funding modalities.

Decision on Agenda Item 9

Progress Report on the GEF Project Cycle Streamlining Measures

18. The Council, having reviewed document GEF/C.45/04, *Progress Report on the GEF Project Cycle Streamlining Measures*, acknowledges progress on the implementation of GEF Project Cycle streamlining measures, and the status on the project cycle effectiveness indicators, and notes that further work is required to clarify project cycle time-frame targets and further reduce time elapsed in project preparation.

19. The Council encourages the Secretariat, the GEF Agencies, and recipient countries to work together in order to expedite project preparation.

20. The Council requests the Secretariat, in collaboration with the GEF Agencies, to propose for consideration at the November 2014 Council meeting, a policy for cancellation of projects that exceed time-frame targets for project preparation.

21. The Council agrees to provide the CEO with delegated approval authority for expedited approval of enabling activities requesting grants of up to \$1 million.

22. The Council requests the Secretariat to report at the next Council meeting on progress achieved in: (i) the implementation of the eight streamlining measures, including any possible cost savings; (ii) the harmonization pilot with the World Bank, including possible implications for extending this to other agencies; and (iii) the four inter-agency working groups considering additional streamlining measures.

Decision on Agenda Item 12

Relations with the Conventions and Other International Institutions – Statements by the Executive Secretaries of the Conventions

23. The Council, having considered document GEF/C.45/06, *Relations with the Conventions and Other International Institutions*, welcomed the report and requested the GEF network to continue to work with recipient countries to reflect the guidance and national priorities in their GEF programming and activities.

Decision on Agenda Item 13

Amendments to the Instrument

24. The Council requests the Secretariat to submit a draft decision by January 15, 2014, for consideration and decision by mail, on amendments to the Instrument to be recommended to the Fifth Assembly, including but not limited to the Minamata Convention on Mercury.

Decision on Agenda Item 15

Review of GEF Agencies on Environmental and Social Safeguards and Gender Mainstreaming

25. The Council, having reviewed Council Document GEF/C.45/10, *Review of the GEF Agencies on Environmental and Social Safeguards and Gender Mainstreaming*, requests:

- (a) Each GEF Agency that has not fully met the requirements of the *GEF Policy on Agency Minimum Standards on Environmental and Social Safeguards* and the *GEF Policy on Gender Mainstreaming* to submit to the GEF Secretariat, by December 15, 2013, a time-bound action plan explaining how it will come into compliance with those provisions not met. The GEF Secretariat will compile these time-bound action plans and forward them to the GEF Council for information by December 31, 2013. The Council agrees to a waiver so that agencies can submit time-bound action plans on gender mainstreaming;
- (b) Each GEF Agency that has not fully met the requirements of either Policy to report to the Council at its spring 2014 meeting on the progress each has made towards fulfilling its action plans, when the Council may impose specific deadlines on action plans.

26. The Council requests that the GEF Evaluation Office begin its assessment of the *Policy on Agency Minimum Standards on Environmental and Social Safeguards* after the conclusion of the Pilot on Accrediting GEF Project Agencies. The Secretariat will propose a revised Policy for Council consideration taking into account the findings of this evaluation and any guidance from the Council.

Decision on Agenda Item 16

Progress Report on the Pilot Accreditation of GEF Project Agencies

27. The Council, having reviewed GEF/C.45/12, *Progress Report on the Pilot Accreditation of GEF Project Agencies*, notes the status of the Stage II reviews conducted by the Accreditation Panel to date. In particular, the Council notes that all Stage II initial desk reviews have been completed as planned and that World Wildlife Fund, Inc. (WWF-US) and Conservation International Foundation (CI) have received approval from the Panel to move from Stage II to Stage III.

28. The Council approves initial grant ceilings for WWF-US and CI, determined in accordance with the provisions set forth in Council document GEF/C.40/09, *Broadening the GEF Partnership under Paragraph 28 of the Instrument*, as follows:

- (a) individual project ceiling for a GEF grant: \$65,000,000 for WWF-US and \$120,000,000 for CI; and
- (b) total project ceiling: \$125,000,000 for WWF-US and \$110,000,000 for CI.

29. The Council authorizes the Secretariat to recalculate these ceilings at the time of project approvals for these agencies and inform the Council of any changes.

30. The Council requests the Secretariat to continue to present a progress report on the accreditation pilot at every Council meeting.

Decision on Agenda Item 17

Note on the Organization of the Fifth GEF Assembly

31. The Council, having reviewed the *Note on the Organization of the Fifth GEF Assembly* (GEF/C.45/07) took note of the proposed preliminary budget and approved an additional \$1,368,528 for the Special Initiative to fund the Organization of the Assembly.

Decision on Agenda Item 18

Work Program

32. The Council, having reviewed document GEF/C.45/08, *Work Program*, approves the work program comprising forty one (41) project concepts and one non-expedited enabling activity, subject to comments made during the Council meeting and additional comments that may be submitted in writing to the Secretariat by November 21, 2013. In addition, Council approves five project concepts associated with a previously approved programmatic approach.

33. Total resources approved in this work program¹ amounts to \$259.84 million which include GEF project grants and Agency fees. The work program is comprised of the following Project Identification Forms (PIFs) and Enabling Activity:

Biodiversity

1. **Cape Verde:** Mainstreaming Biodiversity Conservation into the Tourism Sector in Synergy with a Further Strengthened Protected Areas System in Cape Verde (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,664,640)
2. **Chile:** Strengthening and Development of Instruments for the Management, Prevention and Control of Beaver (*Castor Canadensis*), an Invasive Alien Species in the Chilean Patagonia (FAO) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,153,882)
3. **Ecuador:** Conservation of Ecuadorian Amphibian Diversity and Sustainable Use of its Genetic Resources (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,726,908)
4. **Ethiopia:** Mainstreaming Incentives for Biodiversity Conservation in the Climate Resilient Green Economy Strategy (CRGE) (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,316,455)

¹ The Council Member representing the United States of America, in light of its policies for certain development projects, abstained from the decision on the following projects: (i) **China** : Promoting Energy Efficient Electric Motors in Chinese Industries, and (ii) **Turkmenistan** : Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy for Sustainable Water Management in Turkmenistan

5. **Madagascar:** Strengthening the Network of “New Protected Areas in Madagascar” (UNEP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,905,265)
6. **Panama:** Sustainable Production Systems and Conservation of Biodiversity (World Bank) (GEF Project Grant : \$9,589,000)
7. **Philippines:** “RicePlus” – Dynamic Conservation and Sustainable Use of Agro-biodiversity in Rice-based Farming Systems (FAO) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,182,631)
8. **Russian Federation:** Conservation of Big Cats² (WWF-US) (GEF Project Grant : \$12,707,550)
9. **Seychelles:** Seychelles' Protected Areas Finance Project (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,776,900)

Climate Change

10. **China:** Promoting Energy Efficient Electric Motors in Chinese Industries (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,500,000)
11. **El Salvador:** Third National Communication (TNC) and Biennial Update Report to the UNFCCC³ (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$852,000)
12. **Ethiopia:** Promoting Sustainable Rural Energy Technologies (RETs) for Household and Productive Uses (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$4,091,781)
13. **Indonesia:** Large Enterprises Energy Efficiency Project (World Bank) (GEF Project Grant: \$5,480,000)
14. **Indonesia:** Market Transformation through Design and Implementation of Appropriate Mitigation Actions in Energy Sector (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$8,025,000)
15. **Madagascar:** Increased Energy Access for Productive Use through Small Hydropower Development in Rural Areas (UNIDO) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,855,000)
16. **Morocco:** Mainstreaming Climate Change in the National Logistics Strategy and Roll-Out of Integrated Logistics Platforms (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,274,429)
17. **Nigeria:** Promoting Low Carbon Energy Solutions in Nigeria Energy/Power Supply (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$4,400,000)

² Until a Financial Procedures Agreement (FPA) is signed between Trustee and the WWF-US, the Trustee will not set-aside GEF resources for the project as well as fees for WWF-US.

³ This is a non-expedited enabling activity submitted for Council approval.

18. **Philippines:** Development for Renewable Energy Applications Mainstreaming and Market Sustainability (DREAMS) Project (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$5,200,000)
19. **Russian Federation:** Green Shipping Programme for Russia (EBRD) (GEF Project Grant : \$10,000,000)
20. **Russian Federation:** Transfer of Environmentally Sound Technologies for Industrial Climate Change Mitigation in the Republic of Tatarstan, Russian Federation (UNIDO) (GEF Project Grant : \$10,292,500)
21. **South Africa:** Industrial Energy Efficiency Improvement in South Africa through Mainstreaming the Introduction of Energy Management Systems and Energy Systems Optimization (UNIDO) (GEF Project Grant : \$5,776,484)
22. **Thailand:** Achieving Low Carbon Growth in Cities through Sustainable Urban Systems Management in Thailand (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,150,000)
23. **Ukraine:** Removing Barriers to Increase Investment in Energy-Efficiency in Public Buildings (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$5,480,000)
24. **Vietnam:** Energy Efficiency Improvement in Commercial and High-Rise Residential Buildings (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,198,000)

International Waters

25. **Regional (Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Namibia, Seychelles, Swaziland, Tanzania, South Africa, Zambia, Congo DR, Zimbabwe):** Sustainable Groundwater Management in SADC Member States (World Bank) (GEF Project Grant : \$8,119,179)
26. **Regional (Angola, Botswana, Namibia):** Support to the Cubango-Okavango River Basin Strategic Action Programme Implementation (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$6,100,000)
27. **Regional (Antigua And Barbuda, Barbados, Brazil, Belize, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Haiti, Jamaica, St. Kitts And Nevis, St. Lucia, Mexico, Panama, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, St. Vincent and Grenadines):** Catalysing Implementation of the Strategic Action Programme for the Sustainable Management of Shared Living Marine Resources in the Caribbean and North Brazil Shelf Large Marine Ecosystems (CMLE+) (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$12,500,000)
28. **Regional (Bosnia-Herzegovina, Montenegro, Serbia):** West Balkans Drina River Basin Management (World Bank) (GEF Project Grant : \$4,366,210)

29. **Regional (Kenya, Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, Mozambique, Seychelles, Somalia, Tanzania, South Africa):** Western Indian Ocean LMEs Strategic Action Programme Policy Harmonization and Institutional Reforms SAPPHERE Project (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$10,976,891)

Land Degradation

30. **Gambia:** Community-Based Sustainable Dryland Forest Management (FAO) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,066,347)
31. **India:** Integrated SLEM Approaches for Reducing Land Degradation and Desertification (World Bank) (GEF Project Grant : \$4,164,384)
32. **Libya** Sustainable Land Management and Conservation of Oases Ecosystems in Libya (FAO) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,972,603)
33. **Tanzania:** Securing Watershed Services Through SLM in the Ruvu and Zigi Catchments Eastern Arc Region (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,648,858)

Multi Focal Area

34. **Armenia:** Mainstreaming Sustainable Land and Forest Management in Dry Mountain Landscapes (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,977,169)
35. **Brazil:** Reversing Desertification Process in Susceptible Areas of Brazil: Sustainable Agroforestry Practices and Biodiversity Conservation (FAO) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,930,155)
36. **Colombia:** Forest Conservation and Sustainability in the Heart of the Colombian Amazon (World Bank) (GEF Project Grant : \$10,400,000)
37. **Congo DR:** Community-Based Miombo Forest Management in South East Katanga (FAO) (GEF Project Grant : \$4,533,333)
38. **Turkmenistan:** Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy for Sustainable Water Management in Turkmenistan (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$6,185,000)
39. **Venezuela:** Sustainable Forest Lands Management and Conservation under an Eco-social Approach (FAO) (GEF Project Grant : \$8,249,316)

Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)

40. **Regional (Antigua And Barbuda, Barbados, Bahamas, Belize, St. Kitts And Nevis, St. Lucia, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, St. Vincent and Grenadines):** Development and Implementation of a Sustainable Management Mechanism for POPs in the Caribbean (UNIDO) (GEF Project Grant : \$8,839,000)

41. **Cameroon:** PCB Reduction In Cameroon Through The Use Of Local Expertise And The Development Of National Capacities (UNEP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,000,000)
42. **China:** Contaminated Site Cleanup Project (World Bank) (GEF Project Grant: \$15,000,000)

Sub-projects⁴ under the Previously Approved Programmatic Approach (with Set-Aside) - R2R Pacific Islands Ridge-to-Reef National Priorities – Integrated Water, Land, Forest and Coastal Management to Preserve Biodiversity, Ecosystem Services, Store Carbon, Improve Climate Resilience and Sustain Livelihoods⁵ (Program) (GEF ID: 5395)

Multifocal Area Subprojects under the Program

43. **Kiribati:** R2R Resilient Islands, Resilient Communities (FAO) (GEF Project Grant: \$4,720,030)
44. **Micronesia:** R2R Implementing and Integrated “Ridge to Reef” Approach to Enhance Ecosystem Services to Conserve Globally Important Biodiversity and to Sustain Local Livelihoods in the FSM (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant: \$4,689,815)
45. **Papua New Guinea:** R2R Strengthening the Management Effectiveness of the National System of Protected Areas (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant: \$10,929,358)
46. **Tuvalu:** R2R Implementing a “Ridge to Reef” Approach to Protect Biodiversity and Ecosystem Functions (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,762,844)
47. **Vanuatu:** R2R Integrated Sustainable Land and Coastal Management (FAO) (GEF Project Grant: \$4,605,680)

34. With respect to the following projects, the Council requests the Secretariat to arrange for Council members to receive draft final project documents and to transmit to the CEO within four weeks any concerns they may have prior to the CEO’s endorsing the project document for final approval by the GEF Agency:

1. **China:** Contaminated Site Cleanup Project
2. **India:** Integrated SLEM Approaches for Reducing Land Degradation and Desertification
3. **Indonesia:** Large Enterprises Energy Efficiency Project

⁴ All sub-projects will draw their grants from their respective set-aside program allocations.

⁵ Following the procedures established for programmatic approaches applicable to all GEF Agencies, the final project documents of these sub-projects will be circulated to Council for four weeks before the CEO can endorse them (GEF/C.39/Inf.3).

4. **Kiribati:** R2R Resilient Islands, Resilient Communities
5. **Libya:** Sustainable Land Management and Conservation of Oases Ecosystems
6. **Nigeria:** Promoting Low Carbon Energy Solutions in Nigeria Energy/Power Supply
7. **Philippines:** “RicePlus” – Dynamic Conservation and Sustainable Use of Agro-biodiversity in Rice-based Farming Systems
8. **Russian Federation:** Conservation of Big Cats
9. **Russian Federation:** Green Shipping Programme for Russia
10. **Russian Federation:** Transfer of Environmentally Sound Technologies for Industrial Climate Change Mitigation in the Republic of Tatarstan, Russian Federation
11. **Ukraine:** Removing Barriers to Increase Investment in Energy-Efficiency in Public Buildings

35. With respect to the PIFs approved as part of the work program, the Council finds that each of these PIFs (i) is consistent with the Instrument and GEF policies and procedures, and (ii) may be endorsed by the CEO for final approval by the GEF Agency, provided that the final project documents fully incorporate and address the Council’s and the STAP reviewer’s comments on the work program, and that the CEO confirms that with these revisions, the project is consistent with the Instrument and GEF policies and procedures.

36. With respect to any PIF approved in this work program, the final project document will be posted on the GEF website for information after CEO endorsement. If there are major changes to the project scope and approach after PIF approval, the final project document will be posted on the web for Council review for four weeks prior to CEO considering endorsement.

37. The detailed funding decisions taken by the Council during this 45th session of the work program is part of the associated Annex 1 appended to this Joint Summary of the Chairs.

Decision on Agenda Item 19

Report of the Selection and Review Committee

38. The Council notes with regret that Mr. van den Berg’s term as Director of the Evaluation Office expires on September 11, 2014. In order to ensure a smooth transition, his successor will need to be appointed by the GEF Council, preferably at its first session in 2014.

39. Having reviewed the Report of the Selection and Review Committee (Document GEF C.45/09), the Council:

- (a) Agrees to launch the recruitment process for the Director of the Evaluation Office as soon as possible, based on the attached terms of reference, and in accordance with the recommended “hybrid” process;
- (b) Takes note of the estimated costs of the recruitment process for the Director of the Evaluation Office, and approves a budget of US\$50,000 for the Special Initiative to complete the recruitment of a new Director of the Evaluation Office;
- (c) Takes note of the FY14 goals for the EO Director and the GEF CEO and requests the SRC to present the performance evaluation of the EO Director and the GEF CEO for the Council’s review at its second meeting in 2014;
- (d) Agrees with the SRC’s positive assessment of the EO Director’s FY13 performance and the recommendation to provide the EO Director with a “4” rating on the World Bank’s 5-point scale, with an associated merit-based a salary increase of 2.5%. The Council requests the SRC to communicate this decision to the World Bank Human Resource Department.

Decision on Agenda Item 20

Other Business

- 40. The Council confirmed that it will hold its fall 2014 meeting on the week of October 27, 2014.
- 41. The Council confirmed that it will hold its spring 2015 meeting on the week of June 1, 2015.

CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

- 42. The meeting closed on November 7, 2013.

Global Environment Facility

Table 1: Record of GEF Trust Fund Resources Requested for Corporate Budget and Resulting Council Decisions
Council Meeting, November 5 - 7, 2013

Corporate Budget							
	Amounts Requested for Funding in US\$			Amounts Approved by Council in US\$			Comments
	Core Budget	Special Initiatives and Multi-annual Budget	Total	Core Budget	Special Initiatives and Multi-annual Budget	Total	
FY14 Corporate Budget							
GEF Secretariat	-	-	-	-	-	-	
GEF Evaluation Office	-	-	-	-	-	-	
STAP	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Trustee	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Fifth GEF Assembly	-	1,368,528	1,368,528	-	1,368,528	1,368,528	Additional budget for the Special Initiative to fund the Organization of the Fifth GEF Assembly.
Total Corporate Budget	-	1,368,528	1,368,528	-	1,368,528	1,368,528	

Global Environment Facility

Table 2: Record of GEF Trust Fund Resources Requested for Projects/Programs and Resulting Council Decisions
Council Meeting, November 5 - 7, 2013

Council Meeting, November 5-7, 2013												
					Project Funding Amounts Requested for Funding in US\$			Project Funding Amounts Approved by Council in US\$				Comments
	GEF_ID	Agency	Title	Country	Project Grant Requested	Agency Fee Requested	Total Amount Requested	Project Grant Approved	Agency Fee Approved	Total Amount Approved	40% of Agency fee to be committed by Trustee	
Biodiversity												
1	5524	UNDP	Mainstreaming Biodiversity Conservation into the Tourism Sector in Synergy with a Further Strengthened Protected Areas System in Cape Verde	Cape Verde	3,664,640	348,141	4,012,781	3,664,640	348,141	4,012,781	139,256	
2	5506	FAO	Strengthening and Development of Instruments for the Management, Prevention and Control of Beaver (Castor Canadensis), an Invasive Alien Species in the Chilean Patagonia	Chile	2,153,882	204,619	2,358,501	2,153,882	204,619	2,358,501	81,848	
3	5534	UNDP	Conservation of Ecuadorian Amphibian Diversity and Sustainable Use of its Genetic Resources	Ecuador	2,726,908	259,056	2,985,964	2,726,908	259,056	2,985,964	103,622	
4	5440	UNDP	Mainstreaming Incentives for Biodiversity Conservation in the Climate Resilient Green Economy Strategy (CRGE)	Ethiopia	3,316,455	315,063	3,631,518	3,316,455	315,063	3,631,518	126,025	
5	5351	UNEP	Strengthening the Network of New Protected Areas in Madagascar	Madagascar	3,905,265	371,000	4,276,265	3,905,265	371,000	4,276,265	148,400	
6	5546	World Bank	Sustainable Production Systems and Conservation of Biodiversity	Panama	9,589,000	910,955	10,499,955	9,589,000	910,955	10,499,955	364,382	
7	5549	FAO	RicePlus-Dynamic Conservation and Sustainable Use of Agro-biodiversity in Rice-based Farming Systems	Philippines	2,182,631	207,350	2,389,981	2,182,631	207,350	2,389,981	82,940	
8	5559	WWF-US	Conservation of Big Cats	Russian Federation	12,707,550	1,143,679	13,851,229	12,707,550	1,143,679	13,851,229	457,472	
9	5485	UNDP	Seychelles' Protected Areas Finance Project	Seychelles	2,776,900	263,807	3,040,707	2,776,900	263,807	3,040,707	105,523	
Sub-total Biodiversity					43,023,231	4,023,670	47,046,901	43,023,231	4,023,670	47,046,901	1,609,468	
WWF-US:		Until a Financial Procedures Agreement (FPA) is signed between Trustee and WWF-US, Trustee will neither set-aside nor commit GEF resources for the project as well as Agency fee for WWF-US.										

					Project Funding				Project Funding				
					Amounts Requested for Funding				Amounts Approved by Council				Comments
						in US\$			in US\$				
	GEF_ID	Agency	Title	Country	Project Grant Requested	Agency Fee Requested	Total Amount Requested		Project Grant Approved	Agency Fee Approved	Total Amount Approved	40% of Agency fee to be committed by Trustee	
Climate Change													
10	5360	UNDP	Promoting Energy Efficient Electric Motors in Chinese Industries	China	3,500,000	332,500	3,832,500		3,500,000	332,500	3,832,500	133,000	
11	5540	UNDP	Third National Communication (TNC) and Biennial Update Report to the UNFCCC	El Salvador	852,000	80,940	932,940		852,000	80,940	932,940	32,376	Non-expedited EA
12	5501	UNDP	Promoting Sustainable Rural Energy Technologies (RETs) for Household and Productive Uses	Ethiopia	4,091,781	388,719	4,480,500		4,091,781	388,719	4,480,500	155,488	
13	5520	World Bank	Large Enterprises Energy Efficiency Project	Indonesia	5,480,000	520,000	6,000,000		5,480,000	520,000	6,000,000	208,000	
14	5339	UNDP	Market Transformation through Design and Implementation of Appropriate Mitigation Actions in Energy Sector	Indonesia	8,025,000	762,375	8,787,375		8,025,000	762,375	8,787,375	304,950	
15	5317	UNIDO	Increased Energy Access for Productive Use through Small Hydropower Development in Rural Areas	Madagascar	2,855,000	271,225	3,126,225		2,855,000	271,225	3,126,225	108,490	
16	5358	UNDP	Mainstreaming Climate Change in the National Logistics Strategy and Roll-Out of Integrated Logistics Platforms	Morocco	2,274,429	216,071	2,490,500		2,274,429	216,071	2,490,500	86,428	
17	5345	UNDP	Promoting Low Carbon Energy Solutions in Nigeria Energy/Power Supply	Nigeria	4,400,000	418,000	4,818,000		4,400,000	418,000	4,818,000	167,200	
18	5363	UNDP	Development for Renewable Energy Applications Mainstreaming and Market Sustainability (DREAMS) Project	Philippines	5,200,000	494,000	5,694,000		5,200,000	494,000	5,694,000	197,600	
19	5530	EBRD	Green Shipping Programme for Russia	Russian Federation	10,000,000	950,000	10,950,000		10,000,000	950,000	10,950,000	380,000	
20	5072	UNIDO	Transfer of Environmentally Sound Technologies for Industrial Climate Change Mitigation in the Republic of Tatarstan, Russian Federation	Russian Federation	10,292,500	926,325	11,218,825		10,292,500	926,325	11,218,825	370,530	
21	5379	UNIDO	Industrial Energy Efficiency Improvement in South Africa through Mainstreaming the Introduction of Energy Management Systems and Energy Systems Optimization	South Africa	5,776,484	548,766	6,325,250		5,776,484	548,766	6,325,250	219,506	

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22	5086	UNDP	Achieving Low Carbon Growth in Cities through Sustainable Urban Systems Management in Thailand	Thailand	3,150,000	299,250	3,449,250		3,150,000	299,250	3,449,250	119,700	
23	5357	UNDP	Removing Barriers to Increase Investment in Energy-Efficiency in Public Buildings	Ukraine	5,480,000	520,600	6,000,600		5,480,000	520,600	6,000,600	208,240	
24	5365	UNDP	Energy Efficiency Improvement in Commercial and High-Rise Residential Buildings	Vietnam	3,198,000	303,810	3,501,810		3,198,000	303,810	3,501,810	121,524	
Sub-total Climate Change					74,575,194	7,032,581	81,607,775		74,575,194	7,032,581	81,607,775	2,813,032	
International Waters													
25	4966	World Bank	Sustainable Groundwater Management in SADC Member States	Regional (Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Namibia, Seychelles, Swaziland, Tanzania, South Africa, Zambia, Congo DR, Zimbabwe)	8,119,179	771,321	8,890,500		8,119,179	771,321	8,890,500	308,528	
26	5526	UNDP	Support to the Cubango-Okavango River Basin Strategic Action Programme Implementation	Regional (Angola, Botswana, Namibia)	6,100,000	579,500	6,679,500		6,100,000	579,500	6,679,500	231,800	
27	5542	UNDP	Catalysing Implementation of the Strategic Action Programme for the Sustainable Management of Shared Living Marine Resources in the Caribbean and North Brazil Shelf Large Marine Ecosystems (CMLE+)	Regional (Antigua And Barbuda, Barbados, Brazil, Belize, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Haiti, Jamaica, St. Kitts And Nevis, St. Lucia, Mexico, Panama, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, St. Vincent and Grenadines)	12,500,000	1,125,000	13,625,000		12,500,000	1,125,000	13,625,000	450,000	
28	5556	World Bank	West Balkans Drina River Basin Management	Regional (Bosnia-Herzegovina, Montenegro, Serbia)	4,366,210	414,790	4,781,000		4,366,210	414,790	4,781,000	165,916	
29	5513	UNDP	Western Indian Ocean LMEs Strategic Action Programme Policy Harmonization and Institutional Reforms SAPPHIRE Project	Regional (Kenya, Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, Mozambique, Seychelles, Somalia, Tanzania, South Africa)	10,976,891	987,920	11,964,811		10,976,891	987,920	11,964,811	395,168	
Sub-total International Waters					42,062,280	3,878,531	45,940,811		42,062,280	3,878,531	45,940,811	1,551,412	

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					in US\$				in US\$				
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Land Degradation													
30	5406	FAO	Community-Based Sustainable Dryland Forest Management	Gambia	3,066,347	291,303	3,357,650	3,066,347	291,303	3,357,650	116,521		
31	5479	World Bank	Integrated SLEM Approaches for Reducing Land Degradation and Desertification	India	4,164,384	395,616	4,560,000	4,164,384	395,616	4,560,000	158,246		
32	5522	FAO	Sustainable Land Management and Conservation of Oases Ecosystems in Libya	Libya	3,972,603	377,397	4,350,000	3,972,603	377,397	4,350,000	150,959		
33	5463	UNDP	Securing Watershed Services Through SLM in the Ruvu and Zigi Catchments Eastern Arc Region	Tanzania	3,648,858	346,641	3,995,499	3,648,858	346,641	3,995,499	138,656		
Sub-total Land Degradation					14,852,192	1,410,957	16,263,149	14,852,192	1,410,957	16,263,149	564,383		
Multi Focal Area													
34	5353	UNDP	Mainstreaming Sustainable Land and Forest Management in Dry Mountain Landscapes	Armenia	2,977,169	282,831	3,260,000	2,977,169	282,831	3,260,000	113,132		
35	5324	FAO	Reversing Desertification Process in Susceptible Areas of Brazil: Sustainable Agroforestry Practices and Biodiversity Conservation	Brazil	3,930,155	373,365	4,303,520	3,930,155	373,365	4,303,520	149,346		
36	5560	World Bank	Forest Conservation and Sustainability in the Heart of the Colombian Amazon	Colombia	10,400,000	936,000	11,336,000	10,400,000	936,000	11,336,000	374,400		
37	5547	FAO	Community-Based Miombo Forest Management in South East Katanga	Congo DR	4,533,333	430,667	4,964,000	4,533,333	430,667	4,964,000	172,267		
38	5536	UNDP	Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy for Sustainable Water Management in Turkmenistan	Turkmenistan	6,185,000	587,575	6,772,575	6,185,000	587,575	6,772,575	235,030		
39	5410	FAO	Sustainable Forest Lands Management and Conservation under an Eco-social Approach	Venezuela	8,249,316	783,684	9,033,000	8,249,316	783,684	9,033,000	313,474		
Sub-total Multi Focal Area					36,274,973	3,394,122	39,669,095	36,274,973	3,394,122	39,669,095	1,357,649		

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					Amounts Requested for Funding				Amounts Approved by Council				
						in US\$			in US\$				
	GEF_ID	Agency	Title	Country	Project Grant Requested	Agency Fee Requested	Total Amount Requested		Project Grant Approved	Agency Fee Approved	Total Amount Approved	40% of Agency fee to be committed by Trustee	
POPs													
40	5558	UNIDO	Development and Implementation of a Sustainable Management Mechanism for POPs in the Caribbean	Regional (Antigua And Barbuda, Barbados, Bahamas, Belize, St. Kitts And Nevis, St. Lucia, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, St. Vincent and Grenadines)	8,839,000	839,705	9,678,705		8,839,000	839,705	9,678,705	335,882	
41	5367	UNEP	PCB Reduction In Cameroon Through The Use Of Local Expertise And The Development Of National Capacities	Cameroon	3,000,000	285,000	3,285,000		3,000,000	285,000	3,285,000	114,000	
42	5492	World Bank	Contaminated Site Cleanup Project	China	15,000,000	1,350,000	16,350,000		15,000,000	1,350,000	16,350,000	540,000	
Sub-total POPs					26,839,000	2,474,705	29,313,705		26,839,000	2,474,705	29,313,705	989,882	
GRAND TOTAL					237,626,870	22,214,566	259,841,436		237,626,870	22,214,566	259,841,436	8,885,826	

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Table 3: Record of GEF Trust Fund Resources Requested for Projects under Programmatic Approaches and Resulting Council Decisions

Council Meeting, November 5 - 7, 2013

Council Meeting, November 5 – 7, 2013												
					Project Funding				Project Funding			
					Amounts Requested for Funding				Amounts Approved by Council			
	GEF_ID	Agency	Title	Country	Project Grant Requested	Agency Fee Requested	Total Amount Requested		Project Grant Approved	Agency Fee Approved	Total Amount Approved	40% of Agency fee to be committed by Trustee
Multi Focal Area												
	5395	R2R- Pacific Islands Ridge-to-Reef National Priorities – Integrated Water, Land, Forest and Coastal Management to Preserve Biodiversity, Ecosystem Services, Store Carbon, Improve Climate Resilience and Sustain Livelihoods							Approved by Council in June 2013			
1	5551	FAO	R2R Resilient Islands, Resilient Communities	Kiribati	4,720,030	424,803	5,144,833		4,720,030	424,803	5,144,833	169,921
2	5517	UNDP	R2R Implementing an Integrated Ridge to Reef Approach to Enhance Ecosystem Services, to Conserve Globally Important Biodiversity and to Sustain Local Livelihoods in the FSM	Micronesia	4,689,815	422,083	5,111,898		4,689,815	422,083	5,111,898	168,833
3	5510	UNDP	R2R Strengthening the Management Effectiveness of the National System of Protected Areas	Papua New Guinea	10,929,358	983,642	11,913,000		10,929,358	983,642	11,913,000	393,457
4	5550	UNDP	R2R Implementing a Ridge to Reef Approach to Protect Biodiversity and Ecosystem Functions	Tuvalu	3,762,844	338,656	4,101,500		3,762,844	338,656	4,101,500	135,462
5	5397	FAO	R2R: Integrated Sustainable Land and Coastal Management	Vanuatu	4,605,680	414,511	5,020,191		4,605,680	414,511	5,020,191	165,804
Sub-total Multi Focal Area					28,707,727	2,583,695	31,291,422		28,707,727	2,583,695	31,291,422	1,033,478
GRAND TOTAL					28,707,727	2,583,695	31,291,422		28,707,727	2,583,695	31,291,422	1,033,478

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Annex I - Table 4

Table 4: Record of GEF Trust Fund Resources Requested by Agency and Resulting Council Decisions
Council Meeting, November 5 - 7, 2013

Summary of Council Decisions

	GEFTF								
Funding status as of 11/06/2013	\$ 323,697,076								
Approvals by Council	\$ 261,209,964								
Funding status after Council meeting	\$ 62,487,112								

	GEFTF Amounts Requested for Funding in US\$			GEFTF Amounts Approved by Council in US\$			40% of Agency fee to be committed by
	Project Grant	Agency Fee	Total	Project Grant	Agency Fee	Total	
<u>Agency</u>							
ADB	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
AFDB	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
EBRD	10,000,000	950,000	10,950,000	10,000,000	950,000	10,950,000	380,000
FAO	28,088,267	2,668,385	30,756,652	28,088,267	2,668,385	30,756,652	1,067,354
IADB	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IFAD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
UNDP	95,044,031	8,911,799	103,955,830	95,044,031	8,911,799	103,955,830	3,564,720
UNEP	6,905,265	656,000	7,561,265	6,905,265	656,000	7,561,265	262,400
UNIDO	27,762,984	2,586,021	30,349,005	27,762,984	2,586,021	30,349,005	1,034,408
World Bank	57,118,773	5,298,682	62,417,455	57,118,773	5,298,682	62,417,455	2,119,473
WWF-US	12,707,550	1,143,679	13,851,229	12,707,550	1,143,679	13,851,229	457,472
Total project/program funding	237,626,870	22,214,566	259,841,436	237,626,870	22,214,566	259,841,436	8,885,826
	Core Budget	Special Initiatives and Multi-annual Budget	Total	Core Budget	Special Initiatives and Multi-annual Budget	Total	
GEF Secretariat	-	-	-	-	-	-	
GEF Evaluation Office	-	-	-	-	-	-	
STAP	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Trustee	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Fifth GEF Assembly	-	1,368,528	1,368,528	-	1,368,528	1,368,528	
Sub-total corporate budget	-	1,368,528	1,368,528	-	1,368,528	1,368,528	
GRAND TOTAL	237,626,870	23,583,094	261,209,964	237,626,870	23,583,094	261,209,964	8,885,826

WWF-US: Until a Financial Procedures Agreement (FPA) is signed between Trustee and WWF-US, Trustee will neither set-aside nor commit GEF resources for the project as well as Agency fee for WWF-US.