

64TH GEF COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 26 –29, 2023
BRASILIA, BRAZIL

Agenda Item 20

JOINT SUMMARY OF THE GEF COUNCIL CO-CHAIRS

OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. The meeting was opened by Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, Chief Executive Officer/Chairperson of the Facility. Tom Bui, Council Member for Canada acted as Elected Chairperson, as per Decision 2/2023 adopted on March 06, 2023.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

2. The Council adopted the provisional agenda set forth in document GEF/C.64/01/Rev.03.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY PANEL

3. Ms. 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

4. The Council approves the following decisions with respect to its agenda items:

Decision 07/2023 *GEF Business Plan and Corporate Budget for FY24*

5. The Council, having considered document GEF/C.64/03/Rev.02, *GEF Business Plan and Corporate Budget for FY24*, takes note of the business plan, and approves an FY24 corporate budget from the GEF Trust Fund of US\$37.201 million, comprised of:

- (a) US\$30.534 million for the GEF Secretariat, of which US\$2 million will be paid from GEF-7 administrative budget underruns
- (b) US\$3.135 million for STAP; and
- (c) US\$3.532 million for the Trustee

6. The Council also approves a total FY24 administrative budget for the Nagoya Protocol Implementation Fund (NPIF) of US\$22,400, comprised of the following allocations from the NPIF to cover the Secretariat's and Trustee's expenses for NPIF administration and implementation:

- (a) US\$17,500 for the GEF Secretariat; and
- (b) US\$4,900 for the Trustee

7. The Council also approves a total FY24 administrative budget for the Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT) from the CBIT Trust Fund of US\$0.436 million, comprised of:

- (a) US\$0.412 million for the GEF Secretariat; and
- (b) US\$0.024 million for the Trustee

8. The Council calls upon the IBRD as administrative host of the GEF to work with the GEF Secretariat to speedily resolve the GEF office space lease, enabling the Secretariat and the IEO to remain in the current office premises to ensure that the GEF work and administrative budget is not further disrupted by temporary measures.

9. The Council decides that, in the context of the Secretariat's analysis, the level of 11% indirect charge as set out in this document is the upper limit for the GEF, provided that the World Bank provides a sufficient justification for this level, and otherwise may be adjusted to the level of 7%.

10. The Council requests the World Bank to provide a written report setting out the justification and basis for the proposed increase in indirect costs by no later than 30 September 2023, preferably earlier if possible, and attend a subsequent Council meeting to enable a discussion with Council on the matter.

11. The Council requests the Secretariat to report to Council on the status of the above-mentioned elements of this Decision on office space and indirect charge.

12. The Council requests the Secretariat, in consultation with STAP and the Trustee, to present a combined FY25 corporate budget and business plan for discussion at its June 2024 meeting.

Decision 08/2023

Work Program for GEF Trust Fund

13. The Council, having considered document GEF/C64/04/Rev.01, *Work Program for GEF Trust Fund*, approves the Work Program comprising 45 projects and programs, subject to comments made during the Council meeting and additional comments that may be submitted in writing to the Secretariat by July 27, 2023¹.

¹ The United States, in light of its policies for certain development projects in countries that are state sponsors of terrorism; in light of its policies for certain development projects in countries whose governments (i) are not addressing trafficking in persons; (ii) have engaged in a pattern of gross violations of internationally recognized human rights; or (iii) do not have in place a functioning system for reporting to civilian authorities audits of receipts and expenditures that fund activities of the armed forces and security forces; and in light of its policies related to development projects in China and Cuba; and in light of its concerns related to project implementation risks in Venezuela, opposes and therefore does not join a Council decision that would support GEF project 11286 in China, Cuba, and Venezuela.

The United States, in light of its policies for certain development projects in countries that are state sponsors of terrorism; in light of its policies for certain development projects in countries whose governments are not addressing trafficking in persons; and in light of its policies related to development projects in Cuba, opposes and therefore does not join a Council decision that would support GEF projects 11285 and 11250 in Cuba.

The United States, in light of its policies for certain development projects in countries whose governments are not addressing trafficking in persons, and in light of its policies related to development projects in Nicaragua, opposes and therefore does not join a Council decision that would support GEF project 11273 in Nicaragua.

14. Total GEF resources approved in this Work Program amounted to \$1.397 billion, including GEF project financing and Agency fees. The Work Program is comprised of the following Project Identification Forms (PIFs) and Program Framework Documents (PFD):
15. Regional (El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama). Mesoamerica Critical Forest Biome Integrated Program (GEFID: 11273). Agency: FAO, IUCN; GEF Project Financing: \$58,147,493; Co-financing: \$438,166,265.
16. Global (Belize, Cabo Verde, Comoros, Cuba, Maldives, Mauritius, Micronesia, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Seychelles, St. Lucia, Timor Leste, Trinidad and Tobago, Vanuatu). Blue and Green Island Integrated Programme. (GEFID: 11250). Agency: FAO, WWF-US, IUCN, UNDP, World Bank, UNEP. GEF Project Financing: \$121,183,945; Co-financing: \$733,790,102.
17. Regional (Angola, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Congo DR, Equatorial Guinea, Sao Tome and Principe). Congo Critical Forest Biome Integrated Program. (GEFID: 11241) Agency: IFAD, CI, IUCN, UNEP. GEF Project Financing: \$56,259,439. Co-financing: \$428,640,177.
18. Regional (Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Suriname, Venezuela). Amazon Sustainable Landscapes Program Phase 3. (GEFID: 11198) Agency: WWF-US, CI, World Bank, FAO, UNDP. GEF Project Financing: \$88,644,185. Co-financing: \$557,827,180.
19. Global (Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Cook Islands, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, India, Jordan, Lao PDR, Morocco, Nigeria, Peru, Philippines, Senegal, South Africa). Circular Solutions to Plastic Pollution . (GEFID: 11181) Agency: WWF-US, UNIDO, UNEP, UNDP. GEF Project Financing: \$96,280,581. Co-financing: \$595,778,545.
20. Global (Cambodia, Cambodia, Costa Rica, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Ecuador, India, India, Mongolia, Mongolia, Pakistan, Pakistan, Peru, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago, Trinidad and Tobago). Eliminating hazardous chemicals from supply chains. (GEFID: 11169). Agency: FAO, UNEP, UNDP, UNIDO. GEF Project Financing: \$45,674,998. Co-financing: \$295,245,000.

The United States, in light of its policies for certain development projects in countries whose governments (i) are not addressing trafficking in persons; (ii) have engaged in a pattern of gross violations of internationally recognized human rights; or (iii) do not have in place a functioning system for reporting to civilian authorities audits of receipts and expenditures that fund activities of the armed forces and security forces, and in light of its policies related to development projects in China, opposes and therefore does not join a Council decision that would support GEF project 11271 in China.

The United States, in light of its policies for certain development projects in countries that have engaged in a pattern of gross violations of internationally recognized human rights, opposes and therefore does not join a Council decision that would support GEF project 11110 in Ethiopia.

The United States, in light of its concerns related to project implementation risks, opposes and therefore does not join a Council decision that would support GEF projects 11115, 11198, and 11108 in Venezuela.

21. Regional (Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone). Guinean Forests (GEF-8 Amazon, Congo and Critical Forest Biomes Integrated Program). (GEFID: 11142) Agency: FAO, CI, IUCN. GEF Project Financing: \$20,077,828. Co-financing: \$59,664,406.
22. Global (Angola, Brazil, Cambodia, Chad, Congo DR, Cote d'Ivoire, Haiti, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mozambique, Nepal, Peru, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam). Ecosystem Restoration. (GEFID: 11118) Agency: UNDP, CI, IFAD, UNEP, World Bank, FAO, IUCN. GEF Project Financing: \$183,859,244. Co-financing: \$1,627,501,995.
23. Regional (Lao PDR, Papua New Guinea, Thailand). Indo-Malaya Critical Forest Biome Integrated Program. (GEFID: 11102). Agency: FAO, IUCN, UNDP. GEF Project Financing: \$38,216,208. Co-financing: \$185,597,817.
24. Global (Chile, Costa Rica, Cote d'Ivoire, Indonesia, Mauritius, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Tanzania, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Viet Nam). Net-Zero Nature-Positive Accelerator Integrated Programme. (GEFID: 11085). Agency: UNIDO, ADB, UNDP, UNEP, CAF, FAO. GEF Project Financing: \$98,678,187. Co-financing: \$695,182,970.
25. Global. Global Programme to Support Countries to Upscale Integrated Electric Mobility Systems (GEF ID 11074). Agency: UNEP, ADB, World Bank, EBRD; GEF Project Financing: \$22,257,385; Co-financing: \$129,356,667.
26. India. Guarantee Mechanism for Renewable Biogas Initiative (GEF ID: 11068). World Bank; GEF Project financing: \$13,761,468; Co-financing: \$705,000,000.
27. Regional. LAC. Yield Lab Opportunity Fund I: Accelerating technology and local innovation for sustainable and decarbonized food systems in Latin America and the Caribbean (GEF ID: 11066). Agency: IADB; GEF Project financing: \$6,000,000; Co-financing: \$44,000,000.
28. Chile. Green Hydrogen Facility to Support a Green, Resilient and Inclusive Economic Development (GEF ID: 11065). Agency: World Bank; GEF Project financing: 13,761,469; Co-financing: \$450,000,000.
29. Regional: Asia and Pacific. Natural Capital Fund (NCF): Investing in Nature-Positive Agri-Food Enterprises in Asia and the Pacific (GEF ID: 11062) Agency: ADB; GEF Project financing: \$13,761,469; Co-financing: \$646,350,000.
30. Brazil. Empowering Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLCs) to manage biodiversity data and information as a strategy to conserve their territories, safeguard traditional knowledge, and promote integrated biodiversity management (GEF ID: 11269). Agency: UNEP; GEF Project Financing: \$6,192,695; Co-financing: \$49,450,000.
31. Brazil. Biodiversity Wildlife Territories (GEF ID: 11268). Agency: FUNBIO; GEF Project Financing: \$16,872,477; Co-financing: \$51,000,000.

32. Chile. Strengthening inter-institutional coordination for the mainstreaming of biodiversity conservation in national, regional and local public policies in Chile (GEF ID: 11208). Agency: FAO; GEF Project Financing: \$3,776,941; Co-financing: 25,681,614.
33. Venezuela. Strengthening management to combat threats from Aquatic Invasive Alien Species in Venezuela (GEF ID: 11115). Agency: FAO; GEF Project Financing: \$6,000,000; Co-financing: \$35,940,000.
34. China. Green hydrogen energy integrated demonstration application project in China (GEF ID: 11271). Agency: UNIDO; GEF project financing: \$16,000,000; Co-financing: \$160,900,000.
35. Argentina. Accelerating low-emission and resilient community energy in Argentina. (GEF ID: 11073). Agency: UNEP; GEF Project Financing: \$4,701,497; Co-financing: \$32,000,000.
36. Brazil. Promoting zero-emission buildings in Brazil through climate technologies and policies (EDinova) (GEF ID: 11072). Agency: UNEP; GEF Project Financing: \$9,167,443; Co-financing: \$66,657,355.
37. Chile. Supporting the shift to a low-emission, circular construction in Chile. (GEF ID: 11071). Agency: UNEP; GEF Project Financing: \$2,963,699; Co-financing: \$20,200,000.
38. Eswatini. Reduced risks on human health & the environment through reduction of POPs & U-POPs in Eswatini (GEF ID: 11272) Agency: UNDP; GEF project financing: \$4,935,000; co-financing: \$31,140,000.
39. Global (Sierra Leone, Tunisia, Türkiye, Uruguay). Shifting to Zero Waste Against Pollution (SWAP) Initiative (GEF ID: 11211). Agency UNDP; GEF project financing: \$26,700,000; Co-financing: \$216,691,545.
40. Regional (Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa). Fortifying Infrastructure for Responsible Extinguishments (FIRE): (GEF ID: 11110). Agency UNEP; GEF project financing: \$10,000,000; Co-financing: \$45,000,000.
41. Regional (Ecuador, Costa Rica, Colombia, and Panama). Beyond 30x30: Securing resilience in the Eastern Tropical Pacific through enhanced transboundary cooperation (GEF ID: 11267). Agency: CI; GEF Project Financing: \$14,378,899; Co-financing: \$53,383,037.
42. Regional (Eswatini, Mozambique, South Africa). Strengthening integrated transboundary management of the Incomati and Maputo river basins (GEF ID: 11180). Agency: UNDP; GEF project financing: \$7,105,936; Co-financing: \$23,600,000.
43. Global (Costa Rica, Kenya and Vanuatu). Plastic Reduction in the Oceans: Sustaining and Enhancing Actions on Sea-based Sources (PRO-SEAS). (GEF ID: 11166). Agency: FAO; GEF project financing: \$7,105,936; Co-financing: \$49,151,264.

44. Regional (Djibouti, Egypt, Eritrea, Jordan, Sudan, and Yemen). Promoting sustainable fisheries management in the Red Sea Large Marine Ecosystem (RedSeaFish project). (GEF ID 11113). Agency: FAO; GEF project financing: \$6,192,694; Co-financing: \$40,300,000.
45. Regional (Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Suriname, Venezuela). Towards a Better Understanding of the Amazon Aquifer Systems for its Protection and Sustainable Management (GEF ID 11108). Agency: UNEP and IADB; GEF Project Financing: \$13,461,468; Co-Financing: \$131,236,473.
46. Regional (Angola, Namibia, South Africa). Mainstreaming Climate-Resilient Blue Economy in the Benguela Current Large Marine Ecosystem (BCLME) Region (GEF ID: 11282). Agency: UNDP; GEF project financing: \$10,484,931; Co-financing: \$25,000,000.
47. Mexico. Ecosystem restoration and sustainable livelihoods in the Biocultural Corridor of the Central West of Mexico (COBIOCOM) (GEF ID: 11249). Agency: FAO; GEF Project Financing: \$8,932,420; Co-financing: \$51,156,135.
48. Honduras. Generating opportunities for livelihoods and biodiversity through participatory governance of natural resources and the economic diversification of the communities of the central forest corridor of Honduras (GEF ID: 11213). Agency: FAO; GEF Project Financing: \$5,329,453; Co-financing: \$39,900,000.
49. Panama. Strengthening ecological connectivity in natural and productive landscapes between the Amistad and Darien biomes (GEF ID: 11209). Agency: UNDP; GEF Project Financing: \$6,585,388; Co-financing: \$42,800,000.
50. Georgia. Transforming Policy and Investment through Improving Ecosystem Management and Restoration of Degraded Drylands of Dedoplistskaro Biosphere Reserve in Georgia to Generate Multiple Environmental and Socio-Economic Benefits (GEF ID 11141). Agency: UNEP; GEF Project Financing: \$3,552,970; Co-financing: \$24,875,000.
51. Lebanon. Community-based Wildfire Risk Management in Lebanon's Vulnerable Landscapes (GEF ID 11117). Agency: World Bank; GEF Project Financing: \$3,458,000; Co-financing: \$126,000,000.
52. Djibouti. Sustainable management of water and rangeland resources for enhanced climate resilience of rural communities in Djibouti (GEF ID 11284); GEF Agency: UNDP; GEF project financing: \$2,977,523 (GEF Trust Fund) and \$18,048,624 (LDCF); Co-financing: \$66,300,000.
53. Zambia. Climate-resilient ecosystem restoration and sustainable land management in the Central and Southern Provinces of Zambia (GEF ID 11212); GEF Agency: FAO; GEF project financing: \$8,265,283 (LDCF) and \$3,544,809 (GEF Trust Fund); Co-financing: \$91,200,000.
54. Global. Eighth Operational Phase of the GEF Small Grants Programme (GEFID: 11285). Agency: UNDP; GEF project financing \$126,186,603; Co-financing: \$126,187,000.

55. Global (Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahrain, Belize, Bhutan, Bolivia, Brazil, Cambodia, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guyana, Haiti, Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Saint Lucia, Samoa, Seychelles, Somalia, Sri Lanka, St Vincent & Grenadines, St. Kitts and Nevis, Suriname, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor Leste, Trinidad & Tobago, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Venezuela). Umbrella Programme to Support NBSAP Update and the 7th National Reports (GEF ID: 11286). Agency: UNDP; GEF Project Financing: \$28,400,000.
56. Global (Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros,
57. Congo, Congo DR, Cook Islands, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Eswatini, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Kiribati, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Marshall Islands, Moldova, Montenegro, Mozambique, Niger, Nigeria, Niue, Palau, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo, Tonga, Türkiye, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Zambia, Angola, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Cote d'Ivoire, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Micronesia, Namibia, Nauru, Nicaragua, North Macedonia, Qatar, Serbia, Uganda, Zimbabwe). Umbrella Programme to Support NBSAP Update and the 7th National Reports (GEF ID: 11281). Agency: UNEP; GEF Project Financing: \$36,435,000
58. Global (Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Cook Islands, Eritrea, Ghana, Mali, Micronesia, Mongolia, Morocco, Peru, Philippines, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Tunisia, Venezuela, Cote d'Ivoire, Thailand). Technology Needs Assessment Phase V Project (GEF ID11099). Agency: UNEP; GEF Project Financing: \$5,100,000.
59. With respect to the following 2 projects, the Council requested 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:
60. Haiti. Land degradation neutrality initiative in Southern Haiti (GEF ID: 11238). Agency: FAO; GEF Project Financing: \$5,417,361.00; Co-financing: \$20,175,990.00.
61. Paraguay. Global Opportunities for the Long-Term Development of the Artisanal and Small-Scale Gold Mining Sector in Paraguay - planetGOLD Paraguay (GEF ID 11112). Agency: UNEP; GEF Project Financing: \$3,000,000; Co-financing: \$22,000,000.
62. With respect to the PIFs and PFDs approved as part of the Work Program, the Council finds that each of these PIFs and PFDs (i) is, or would be, 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 the project continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF policies and procedures.

63. 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 objectives or scope since PIF approval, the final project document shall be posted on the web for Council review for four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.

64. Following previous Council decisions related to UNDP GEF Management, all projects included in the Work Program implemented by UNDP shall be circulated by email for Council review at least four weeks prior to CEO endorsement/approval. Project reviews will take into consideration the relevant findings of the external audit and management responses and note them in the endorsement review sheet that will be made available to the Council during the 4-week review period.

65. The Council, recalling its decision 9/2022 and having considered the report on Lead Agency Selection Process for the Clean and Healthy Ocean Integrated Program, notes the technical and analytical steps taken by the GEF Secretariat and endorses the agency selection to lead the Clean and Healthy Ocean Integrated Program

Decision 09/2023 *Establishment of a new trust fund: Global Biodiversity Framework Fund*

66. The Council, having considered document GEF/C.64/05/Rev.01, *Establishment of a New Trust Fund: The Global Biodiversity Framework Fund*, approves the arrangements proposed for the establishment of a new trust fund, with the aim to support the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework.

67. The Council invites the World Bank to act as Trustee for the new Global Biodiversity Framework Fund.

Decision 10/2023 *Programming Directions for the Global Biodiversity Framework Fund*

68. The Council, having considered document GEF/C.64/06/Rev/01, the *Programming Directions of the Global Biodiversity Framework Fund*, approves the programming directions, with the aim to support the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, including the principles set forth therein by which resources will be allocated.

Decision 11/2023 *Evaluation of The GEF's Approach and Interventions in Water Security and Management Response*

69. The Council, having considered document GEF/E/C.64/01, *Evaluation of The GEF's Approach and Interventions in Water Security*, and GEF/C.64/13, the *Management Response*, takes note of the related evaluation recommendations and endorses the management response to address them.

Decision 12/2023 *Strategic Country Cluster Evaluation of the Lower Mekong River Basin Ecosystem and Management Response*

70. The Council, having considered document GEF/E/C.64/02, the *Strategic Country Cluster Evaluation of the Lower Mekong River Basin Ecosystem* and document GEF/C.64/14, the *Management Response*, takes note of the related evaluation recommendations and endorses the management response to address them.

Decision 13/2023 *Four-Year Work Program and Budget of the GEF Independent Evaluation Office*

71. The Council, having considered document GEF/ME/C.64/03/Rev.01, the *Four-Year Work Program and Budget of the GEF Independent Evaluation Office: GEF-8*:

- (1) Approves the annual IEO budget for FY24 for a total of \$8.34 million, which includes the Indirect overhead charge of 11% applied by the World Bank Group.
- (2) Approves the work program for GEF-8 including the preparations for the Eighth Comprehensive Evaluation of the GEF.

Decision 14/2023 *Preparing the GEF to serve as part of the financial mechanism of the internationally legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction (BBNJ)*

72. The Council, having considered document GEF/C.64/12/Rev.02, *Preparing the GEF to serve as part of the Financial Mechanism of the international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ)*:

73. Welcomes the invitation from the Intergovernmental Conference on BBNJ to the GEF to be part of the Financial Mechanism of the BBNJ agreement as reflected in part VII “Financial Resources and Mechanism” of the agreement adopted at the further resumed fifth session of the Intergovernmental Conference on June 19, 2023;

74. Authorizes the use of up to \$34 million for the funding of ratification support and early action activities for the BBNJ Agreement to be programed during GEF-8;

75. Requests the GEF Secretariat to develop initial guidelines for enabling activities and ratification support projects and present them as a decision document at the 66th Council Meeting;

76. Recommends to the Assembly the following amendment to the Instrument:

To add a new subparagraph (f) under paragraph 6 that would read:

(f) Operate as one of the entities comprising the financial mechanism of the Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction, pursuant to its Article 52, paragraphs 3, 4, 6, 9 and 10. In such respects, the GEF shall function under the guidance of and shall be accountable to the Conference of the Parties. In addition, the GEF shall receive guidance from the Conference of the Parties on overall strategies, policies, programme priorities and eligibility for access to and utilization of financial resources.

Decision 15/2023 *Improving the visibility of the GEF: New communication and visibility policy*

77. The Council, having considered document GEF/C.64/11, *Improving the Visibility of the GEF: New Communication and Visibility Policy*, approves the GEF Communication and Visibility Policy attached as Annex I and requests that all GEF Agencies and others in the GEF Partnership to implement the Policy, including the GEF Brand Guidelines developed by the Secretariat as necessary, where applicable to any GEF-funded activity.

Decision 16/2023 *Assessing the Strength of the GEF Partnership: Coverage by GEF Agencies*

78. The Council, having considered document, GEF/C.64/10, *Assessing the Strength of the GEF Partnership: Coverage by Agencies*, takes note of the report and decides:

- i. to request the Secretariat to continue to monitor the strength of the GEF Partnership along the five dimensions of geographic coverage, thematic coverage, efficiency, effectiveness and engagement and present an analysis to the 67th Council in advance of the commencement of the GEF-9 Replenishment negotiations;
- ii. to request the Secretariat to take the necessary actions to remove the geographic restrictions applicable for the Development Bank of South Africa to

enable it to implement GEF projects or programs in any country in accordance with its mandate

Decision 17/2023

Report of the Selection and Review Committee

79. The Council notes with regret that Mr. Uitto's term as Director of the Evaluation Office finishes on April 2024. In order to ensure a smooth transition, his successor will need to be appointed by the GEF Council, preferably at its second session in 2023.

80. Having considered document GEF/C.64/15, *the Report of the Selection and Review Committee*, the Council:

(i) 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;

(ii) Takes note of the estimated costs of the recruitment process for the Director of the Evaluation Office, and approves a budget of up to US\$50,000 for the Special Initiative to complete the recruitment of a new Director of the Evaluation Office;

(iii) Takes note of the FY23 mid-term assessment for the IEO Director and the GEF CEO and, recalling its decision 42/2022, requests the SRC to present the performance evaluations of the GEF CEO and IEO Director for the Council's review at its 65th meeting.

CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

The meeting closed on June 29, 2023.

Global Environment Facility

Table 1: Record of GEF/NPIF/CBIT Trust Fund Resources Requested for Corporate Budget and Special Initiative, NPIF and CBIT Administration, and GEF IEO Budget and Resulting Council Decisions
Council Meeting, June 26 - 29, 2023

	Amounts Requested for Funding in US\$	Amounts Approved by Council in US\$
	Core Budget and Special Initiative	Core Budget and Special Initiative
FY24 Corporate Budget and Special Initiative		
GEF Secretariat	30,534,000	30,534,000
STAP	3,135,000	3,135,000
Trustee	3,532,000	3,532,000
Sub-total Corporate Budget	37,201,000	37,201,000
Nagoya Protocol Implementation Fund (NPIF) - Administration		
GEF Secretariat	17,500	17,500
STAP	-	-
Trustee	4,900	4,900
Sub-total NPIF Administration	22,400	22,400
Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT) - Administration		
GEF Secretariat	412,000	412,000
STAP	-	-
Trustee	24,000	24,000
Sub-total CBIT Administration	436,000	436,000
FY24 Budget for the GEF Independent Evaluation Office		
GEF Independent Evaluation Office	8,340,000	8,340,000
Sub-total GEF Independent Evaluation Office	8,340,000	8,340,000
GRAND TOTAL	45,999,400	45,999,400

Global Environment Facility
Table 2: Record of GEF Trust Fund Resources Requested for Projects/Programs and Resulting Council Decisions
Council Meeting, June 26 - 29, 2023

						Project Amounts Requested for Funding In US\$			Project Amounts Approved by Council In US\$			
	GEF ID	Agency	Title	Country	Focal Area	Project Financing Requested	Agency Fee Requested	Total Amount Requested	Project Financing Approved	Agency Fee Approved	Total Amount Approved	20% of Agency fee to be committed by Trustee
Impact Programs												
1	11273	FAO, IUCN	Mesoamerica Critical Forest Biome Integrated Program	El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Regional	Multi Focal Area	58,147,493	5,233,267	63,380,760	58,147,493	5,233,267	63,380,760	1,046,653
2	11250	FAO, WWF-US, IUCN, UNDP, World Bank, UNEP	Blue and Green Island Integrated Programme	Belize, Cabo Verde, Comoros, Cuba, Maldives, Mauritius, Micronesia, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Seychelles, St. Lucia, Timor Leste, Trinidad and Tobago, Vanuatu, Global	Multi Focal Area	121,183,945	10,906,541	132,090,486	121,183,945	10,906,541	132,090,486	2,181,308
3	11241	IFAD, CI, IUCN, UNEP	Congo Critical Forest Biome Integrated Program	Angola, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Congo DR, Equatorial Guinea, Sao Tome and Principe, Regional	Multi Focal Area	56,259,439	5,063,349	61,322,788	56,259,439	5,063,349	61,322,788	1,012,670
4	11198	WWF-US, CI, World Bank, FAO, UNDP	Amazon Sustainable Landscapes Program Phase 3	Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Suriname, Venezuela, Regional	Multi Focal Area	88,644,185	7,977,973	96,622,158	88,644,185	7,977,973	96,622,158	1,595,595
5	11181	WWF-US, UNIDO, UNEP, UNDP	Circular Solutions to Plastic Pollution	Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Cook Islands, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, India, Jordan, Lao PDR, Morocco, Nigeria, Peru, Philippines, Senegal, South Africa, Global	Multi Focal Area	96,280,581	8,665,252	104,945,833	96,280,581	8,665,252	104,945,833	1,733,050
6	11169	FAO, UNEP, UNDP, UNIDO	Eliminating hazardous chemicals from supply chains	Cambodia, Cambodia, Costa Rica, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Ecuador, India, India, Mongolia, Mongolia, Pakistan, Pakistan, Peru,	Multi Focal Area	45,674,998	4,110,750	49,785,748	45,674,998	4,110,750	49,785,748	822,150

						Project Amounts Requested for Funding In US\$			Project Amounts Approved by Council In US\$			
	GEF ID	Agency	Title	Country	Focal Area	Project Financing Requested	Agency Fee Requested	Total Amount Requested	Project Financing Approved	Agency Fee Approved	Total Amount Approved	20% of Agency fee to be committed by Trustee
				Peru, Trinidad and Tobago, Trinidad and Tobago, Global								
7	11142	FAO, CI, IUCN	Guinean Forests (GEF-8 Amazon, Congo and Critical Forest Biomes Integrated Program)	Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Regional	Multi Focal Area	20,077,828	1,807,001	21,884,829	20,077,828	1,807,001	21,884,829	361,400
8	11118	UNDP, CI, IFAD, UNEP, World Bank, FAO, IUCN	Ecosystem Restoration	Angola, Brazil, Cambodia, Chad, Congo DR, Cote d'Ivoire, Haiti, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mozambique, Nepal, Peru, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Global	Multi Focal Area	183,859,244	16,547,322	200,406,566	183,859,244	16,547,322	200,406,566	3,309,464
9	11102	FAO, IUCN, UNDP	Indo-Malaya Critical Forest Biome Integrated Program	Lao PDR, Papua New Guinea, Thailand, Viet Nam, Regional	Multi Focal Area	38,216,208	3,439,456	41,655,664	38,216,208	3,439,456	41,655,664	687,891
10	11085	UNIDO, ADB, UNDP, UNEP, CAF, FAO	Net-Zero Nature-Positive Accelerator Integrated Programme	Chile, Costa Rica, Cote d'Ivoire, Indonesia, Mauritius, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Tanzania, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Viet Nam, Global	Multi Focal Area	98,678,187	8,881,023	107,559,210	98,678,187	8,881,023	107,559,210	1,776,205
Sub-total Impact Programs						807,022,108	72,631,934	879,654,042	807,022,108	72,631,934	879,654,042	14,526,387
Other Programs												
11	11074	World Bank, UNEP, ADB, EBRD	Global Programme to Support Countries to Upscale Integrated Electric Mobility Systems	Azerbaijan, Fiji, Senegal, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Global	Multi Focal Area	22,257,385	2,003,165	24,260,550	22,257,385	2,003,165	24,260,550	400,633
Sub-total Other Programs						22,257,385	2,003,165	24,260,550	22,257,385	2,003,165	24,260,550	400,633

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<u>Non-Grant Instrument</u>												
12	11068	World Bank	Guarantee Mechanism for Renewable Biogas in India	India	Climate Change	13,761,468	1,238,532	15,000,000	13,761,468	1,238,532	15,000,000	247,706
13	11066	IADB	Yield Lab Opportunity Fund I: Accelerating technology and local innovation for sustainable and decarbonized food systems in Latin America and the Caribbean	Regional	Multi Focal Area	6,000,000	570,000	6,570,000	6,000,000	570,000	6,570,000	114,000
14	11065	World Bank	Chile Green Hydrogen Facility Project	Chile	Climate Change	13,761,468	1,238,532	15,000,000	13,761,468	1,238,532	15,000,000	247,706
15	11062	ADB	Natural Capital Fund (NCF): Investing in Nature-Positive Agri-Food Enterprises in Asia and the Pacific	Regional	Multi Focal Area	13,761,469	1,238,531	15,000,000	13,761,469	1,238,531	15,000,000	247,706
<u>Sub-total Non-Grant Instrument</u>						47,284,405	4,285,595	51,570,000	47,284,405	4,285,595	51,570,000	857,119
<u>Stand-Alone Full-sized Projects</u>												
<u>Biodiversity</u>												
16	11269	UNEP	Empowering Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLCs) to manage biodiversity data and information as a strategy to conserve their	Brazil	Biodiver sity	6,192,695	588,305	6,781,000	6,192,695	588,305	6,781,000	117,661

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			territories, safeguard traditional knowledge, and promote integrated biodiversity management									
17	11268	Funbio	Biodiversity Wildlife Territories	Brazil	Biodiversity	16,872,477	1,518,523	18,391,000	16,872,477	1,518,523	18,391,000	303,705
18	11208	FAO	Strengthening inter-institutional coordination for the mainstreaming of biodiversity conservation in national, regional and local public policies in Chile	Chile	Biodiversity	3,776,941	358,809	4,135,750	3,776,941	358,809	4,135,750	71,762
19	11115	FAO	Strengthening management to combat threats from Aquatic Invasive Alien Species in Venezuela	Venezuela	Biodiversity	6,000,000	570,000	6,570,000	6,000,000	570,000	6,570,000	114,000
<u>Sub-total Biodiversity Projects</u>						32,842,113	3,035,637	35,877,750	32,842,113	3,035,637	35,877,750	607,127
<u>Climate Change Mitigation Projects</u>												
20	11271	UNIDO	Green hydrogen energy integrated demonstration application project in China	China	Climate Change	16,000,000	1,440,000	17,440,000	16,000,000	1,440,000	17,440,000	288,000
21	11073	UNEP	Accelerating low-emission and resilient community energy in Argentina	Argentina	Climate Change	4,701,497	446,642	5,148,139	4,701,497	446,642	5,148,139	89,328
22	11072	UNEP	Promoting zero-emission buildings	Brazil	Climate Change	9,167,443	870,907	10,038,350	9,167,443	870,907	10,038,350	174,181

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			in Brazil through climate technologies and policies (EDinova)									
23	11071	UNEP	Supporting the shift to a low-emission, circular construction in Chile	Chile	Climate Change	2,963,699	281,551	3,245,250	2,963,699	281,551	3,245,250	56,310
Sub-total Climate Change Mitigation Projects						32,832,639	3,039,100	35,871,739	32,832,639	3,039,100	35,871,739	607,820
Land Degradation Projects												
24	11238	FAO	Land degradation neutrality initiative in Southern Haiti	Haiti	Land Degradation	5,417,361	514,649	5,932,010	5,417,361	514,649	5,932,010	102,930
Sub-total Land Degradation Projects						5,417,361	514,649	5,932,010	5,417,361	514,649	5,932,010	102,930
Chemicals and Waste Projects												
25	11272	UNDP	Reduced risks on human health & the environment through reduction of POPs & U-POPs in Eswatini	Eswatini	Chemicals and Waste	4,935,000	468,825	5,403,825	4,935,000	468,825	5,403,825	93,765
26	11211	UNDP	Shifting to Zero Waste Against Pollution (SWAP) Initiative	Sierra Leone, Tunisia, Türkiye, Uruguay, Global	Chemicals and Waste	26,700,000	2,403,000	29,103,000	26,700,000	2,403,000	29,103,000	480,600
27	11112	UNEP	Global Opportunities for the Long-Term Development of the Artisanal and Small-Scale Gold Mining Sector in Paraguay - planetGOLD Paraguay	Paraguay	Chemicals and Waste	3,000,000	285,000	3,285,000	3,000,000	285,000	3,285,000	57,000

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28	11110	UNEP	Fortifying Infrastructure for Responsible Extinguishments (FIRE)	Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa, Regional	Chemicals and Waste	10,000,000	900,000	10,900,000	10,000,000	900,000	10,900,000	180,000
<u>Sub-total Chemicals and Waste Projects</u>						44,635,000	4,056,825	48,691,825	44,635,000	4,056,825	48,691,825	811,365
<u>International Waters Projects</u>												
29	11267	CI	Beyond 30x30: Securing resilience in the Eastern Tropical Pacific through enhanced transboundary cooperation	Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Panama, Regional	International Waters	14,378,899	1,294,101	15,673,000	14,378,899	1,294,101	15,673,000	258,820
30	11180	UNDP	Strengthening integrated transboundary management of the Incomati and Maputo river basins	Eswatini, Mozambique, South Africa, Regional	International Waters	7,105,936	675,064	7,781,000	7,105,936	675,064	7,781,000	135,013
31	11166	FAO	Plastic Reduction in the Oceans: Sustaining and Enhancing Actions on Sea-based Sources (PRO-SEAS)	Costa Rica, Kenya, Vanuatu, Global	International Waters	7,105,936	675,064	7,781,000	7,105,936	675,064	7,781,000	135,013
32	11113	FAO	Promoting sustainable fisheries management in the Red Sea Large Marine Ecosystem (RedSeaFish project)	Djibouti, Egypt, Eritrea, Jordan, Yemen, Regional	International Waters	6,192,694	588,306	6,781,000	6,192,694	588,306	6,781,000	117,661
33	11108	IADB, UNEP	Towards a better understanding of the Amazon Aquifer Systems	Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Suriname, Venezuela, Regional	International Waters	13,461,468	1,211,532	14,673,000	13,461,468	1,211,532	14,673,000	242,306

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			for its protection and sustainable management									
<u>Sub-total International Waters Projects</u>						48,244,933	4,444,067	52,689,000	48,244,933	4,444,067	52,689,000	888,813
<u>Multi Focal Area Projects</u>												
34	11282	UNDP	Mainstreaming Climate-Resilient Blue Economy in the BCLME Region (BCLME IV Project)	Angola, Namibia, South Africa, Regional	Multi Focal Area	10,484,931	943,445	11,428,376	10,484,931	943,445	11,428,376	188,689
35	11249	FAO	Ecosystem restoration and sustainable livelihoods in the Biocultural Corridor of the Central West of Mexico (COBIOCOM)	Mexico	Multi Focal Area	8,932,420	848,580	9,781,000	8,932,420	848,580	9,781,000	169,716
36	11213	FAO	Generating opportunities for livelihoods and biodiversity through participatory governance of natural resources and the economic diversification of the communities of the central forest corridor of Honduras	Honduras	Multi Focal Area	5,329,453	506,298	5,835,751	5,329,453	506,298	5,835,751	101,260
37	11209	UNDP	Strengthening ecological connectivity in natural and productive landscapes	Panama	Multi Focal Area	6,585,388	625,612	7,211,000	6,585,388	625,612	7,211,000	125,122

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			between the Amistad and Darien biomes									
38	11141	UNEP	Transforming Policy and Investment through Improving Ecosystem Management and Restoration of Degraded Drylands of Dedoplistskaro Biosphere Reserve in Georgia to Generate Multiple Environmental and Socio-Economic Benefits	Georgia	Multi Focal Area	3,552,970	337,530	3,890,500	3,552,970	337,530	3,890,500	67,506
39	11117	World Bank	Community-based Wildfire Risk Management in Lebanon's Vulnerable Landscapes	Lebanon	Multi Focal Area	3,458,000	328,510	3,786,510	3,458,000	328,510	3,786,510	65,702
Sub-total Multi Focal Area Projects						38,343,162	3,589,975	41,933,137	38,343,162	3,589,975	41,933,137	717,995
Multi-Trust Fund Projects¹												
40	11284	UNDP	Sustainable management of water and rangeland resources for enhanced climate resilience of rural communities in Djibouti	Djibouti	Multi Focal Area	2,977,523	267,977	3,245,500	2,977,523	267,977	3,245,500	53,595

¹ For Multi-Trust Fund projects, only GEFTF allocation is included in this Annex, the LDCF/SCCF allocation is included in the LDCF/SCCF Annex A accordingly.

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	GEF ID	Agency	Title	Country	Focal Area	Project Financing Requested	Agency Fee Requested	Total Amount Requested	Project Financing Approved	Agency Fee Approved	Total Amount Approved	20% of Agency fee to be committed by Trustee
41	11212	FAO	Resilient communities, land restoration and sustainable ecosystem management	Zambia	Multi Focal Area	3,544,809	319,033	3,863,842	3,544,809	319,033	3,863,842	63,807
<u>Sub-total Multi-Trust Fund Projects</u>						6,522,332	587,010	7,109,342	6,522,332	587,010	7,109,342	117,402
<u>Small Grants Programme</u>												
42	11285	UNDP	Eighth Operational Phase of the GEF Small Grants Programme (Part 1)	Albania, Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Botswana, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Congo DR, Costa Rica, Cote d'Ivoire, Cuba, Djibouti, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Honduras, India, Jamaica, Jordan, Kiribati, Kyrgyz Republic, Lao PDR, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Micronesia, Moldova, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Nauru, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Palau, Palestinian Authority, Panama, Paraguay, Philippines, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra		126,186,603	11,356,794	137,543,397	126,186,603	11,356,794	137,543,397	2,271,359

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	GEF ID	Agency	Title	Country	Focal Area	Project Financing Requested	Agency Fee Requested	Total Amount Requested	Project Financing Approved	Agency Fee Approved	Total Amount Approved	20% of Agency fee to be committed by Trustee
				Leone, Solomon Islands, South Africa, St. Lucia, Suriname, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor Leste, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Türkiye, Uganda, Ukraine, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Venezuela, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Global								
Sub-total Small Grants Programme						126,186,603	11,356,794	137,543,397	126,186,603	11,356,794	137,543,397	2,271,359
Non-expedited Enabling Activity												
43	11286	UNDP	Umbrella Programme to Support NBSAP Update and the 7th National Reports	Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahrain, Belize, Bhutan, Bolivia, Brazil, Cambodia, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guyana, Haiti, Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Samoa, Seychelles, Somalia, Sri Lanka, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and Grenadines, Suriname, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor Leste, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Global	Biodiver sity	28,400,000	2,556,000	30,956,000	28,400,000	2,556,000	30,956,000	-
44	11281	UNEP	Umbrella Programme to Support NBSAP Update and the 7th National Reports	Albania, Angola, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Benin, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde,	Biodiver sity	36,435,000	3,279,150	39,714,150	36,435,000	3,279,150	39,714,150	-

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	GEF ID	Agency	Title	Country	Focal Area	Project Financing Requested	Agency Fee Requested	Total Amount Requested	Project Financing Approved	Agency Fee Approved	Total Amount Approved	20% of Agency fee to be committed by Trustee
				Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Congo DR, Cook Islands, Cote d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Kiribati, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Moldova, Montenegro, Mozambique, Namibia, Nauru, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Niue, North Macedonia, Palau, Qatar, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo, Tonga, Türkiye, Tuvalu, Uganda, Vanuatu, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Global								
45	11099	UNEP	Technology Needs Assessment Phase V Project	Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Cook Islands, Cote d'Ivoire, Eritrea, Ghana, Mali, Micronesia, Mongolia, Morocco, Peru, Philippines, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Thailand, Tunisia, Venezuela, Global	Climate Change	5,100,000	484,498	5,584,498	5,100,000	484,498	5,584,498	-
Sub-total Non-expedited Enabling Activity						69,935,000	6,319,648	76,254,648	69,935,000	6,319,648	76,254,648	-
GRAND TOTAL						1,281,523,041	115,864,399	1,397,387,440	1,281,523,041	115,864,399	1,397,387,440	21,908,950

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Table 3: Record of Multi Trust Fund Resources Requested and Resulting Council Decisions
Council Meeting, June 26 - 29, 2023

	GEF ID	Agency	Title	Country	Trust Fund	Project Amounts Requested for Funding In US\$			Project Amounts Approved by Council In US\$			
						Project Financing Requested	Agency Fee Requested	Total Amount Requested	Project Financing Approved	Agency Fee Approved	Total Amount Approved	20% of Agency fee to be committed by Trustee
1	11284	UNDP	Sustainable management of water and rangeland resources for enhanced climate resilience of rural communities in Djibouti	Djibouti	GEFTF	2,977,523	267,977	3,245,500	2,977,523	267,977	3,245,500	53,595
					LDCF	18,098,624	1,628,876	19,727,500	18,098,624	1,628,876	19,727,500	325,775
					Sub-total	21,076,147	1,896,853	22,973,000	21,076,147	1,896,853	22,973,000	379,371
2	11212	FAO	Resilient communities, land restoration and sustainable ecosystem management	Zambia	GEFTF	3,544,809	319,033	3,863,842	3,544,809	319,033	3,863,842	63,807
					LDCF	8,265,283	743,875	9,009,158	8,265,283	743,875	9,009,158	148,775
					Sub-total	11,810,092	1,062,908	12,873,000	11,810,092	1,062,908	12,873,000	212,582
GRAND TOTAL						32,886,239	2,959,761	35,846,000	32,886,239	2,959,761	35,846,000	591,952

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Table 4: Record of GEF Trust Fund Resources Requested and Resulting Council Decisions
Council Meeting, June 26 - 29, 2023
Summary of Council Decisions

GEFTF

Funding status as of 6/23/2023 \$ 1,642,050,774
Approvals by Council \$ 1,442,928,440
Funding status after Council Meeting \$ 199,122,334

Agency	GEFTF Amounts Requested for Funding in US\$			GEFTF Amounts Approved by Council in US\$			
	Project Financing	Agency Fee	Total	Project Financing	Agency Fee	Total	20% of Agency fee to be committed by Trustee
Project/Programs funding							
ADB	15,120,552	1,360,848	16,481,400	15,120,552	1,360,848	16,481,400	272,170
AfDB	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BOAD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CAF	909,083	81,817	990,900	909,083	81,817	990,900	16,363
CI	83,737,002	7,536,327	91,273,329	83,737,002	7,536,327	91,273,329	1,507,265
DBSA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
EBRD	450,000	40,500	490,500	450,000	40,500	490,500	8,100
FAO	163,838,459	14,959,223	178,797,682	163,838,459	14,959,223	178,797,682	2,991,845
FECO	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FUNBIO	16,872,477	1,518,523	18,391,000	16,872,477	1,518,523	18,391,000	303,705
IADB	12,596,119	1,163,651	13,759,770	12,596,119	1,163,651	13,759,770	232,730
IFAD	15,752,170	1,417,695	17,169,865	15,752,170	1,417,695	17,169,865	283,539
IUCN	81,303,826	7,317,338	88,621,164	81,303,826	7,317,338	88,621,164	1,463,468
UNDP	423,543,160	38,211,802	461,754,962	423,543,160	38,211,802	461,754,962	7,131,160
UNEP	276,561,981	25,063,953	301,625,934	276,561,981	25,063,953	301,625,934	4,260,061

Agency	GEFTF Amounts Requested for Funding in US\$			GEFTF Amounts Approved by Council in US\$			
	Project Financing	Agency Fee	Total	Project Financing	Agency Fee	Total	20% of Agency fee to be committed by Trustee
UNIDO	55,218,105	4,969,629	60,187,734	55,218,105	4,969,629	60,187,734	993,926
World Bank	107,133,929	9,659,338	116,793,267	107,133,929	9,659,338	116,793,267	1,931,868
WWF-US	28,486,178	2,563,755	31,049,933	28,486,178	2,563,755	31,049,933	512,751
Sub-total	1,281,523,041	115,864,399	1,397,387,440	1,281,523,041	115,864,399	1,397,387,440	21,908,950
	Core Budget & Special Initiative		Total	Core Budget & Special Initiative		Total	
Corporate Budget and GEF IEO Budget							
GEF Secretariat	30,534,000	-	30,534,000	30,534,000	-	30,534,000	-
STAP	3,135,000	-	3,135,000	3,135,000	-	3,135,000	-
Trustee	3,532,000	-	3,532,000	3,532,000	-	3,532,000	-
GEF Evaluation Office	8,340,000	-	8,340,000	8,340,000	-	8,340,000	-
Sub-total	45,541,000	-	45,541,000	45,541,000	-	45,541,000	-
GRAND TOTAL	1,327,064,041	115,864,399	1,442,928,440	1,327,064,041	115,864,399	1,442,928,440	21,908,950

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Table 5: Record of NPIF Trust Fund Resources Requested and Resulting Council Decisions
Council Meeting, June 26 - 29, 2023
Summary of Council Decisions

NPIF

Funding status as of 6/23/2023 \$ 787,186
Approvals by Council \$ 22,400
Funding status after Council Meeting \$ 764,786

	NPIF Amounts Requested for Funding in US\$	NPIF Amounts Approved by Council in US\$
	Administrative Budget	Administrative Budget
NPIF Administration		
GEF Secretariat	17,500	17,500
STAP	-	-
Trustee	4,900	4,900
GEF Evaluation Office	-	-
Sub-total	22,400	22,400
GRAND TOTAL	22,400	22,400

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Table 6: Record of CBIT Trust Fund Resources Requested and Resulting Council Decisions
Council Meeting, June 26 - 29, 2023
Summary of Council Decisions

CBIT

Funding status as of 6/23/2023 \$ 4,132,891
Approvals by Council \$ 436,000
Funding status after Council Meeting \$ 3,696,891

	CBIT Amounts Requested for Funding in US\$	CBIT Amounts Approved by Council in US\$
	Administrative Budget	Administrative Budget
CBIT Administration		
GEF Secretariat	412,000	412,000
STAP	-	-
Trustee	24,000	24,000
GEF Evaluation Office	-	-
Sub-total	436,000	436,000
GRAND TOTAL	436,000	436,000