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Agenda Item 6
Monitoring and Evaluation
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Introduction

What did I find?

- Clear guidance of the Council on M & E issues
- Dedicated Office of M & E
- A gradual move towards evaluation of results rather than processes and outputs
- Complicated M & E system with potential overlaps and duplication
- Mixed signals on benchmarking, agreed minimum standards, outcome and impact indicators
M & E pyramid

M&E Levels

Overall Performance Study
Thematic and cross-cutting evaluations, Program indicators, review of M&E systems, minimum M&E standards

Responsibility

Portfolio and program reviews
Logical Framework indicators, Annual PIR, regular supervision, project indicators, Mid-term Evaluation, Terminal Evaluation

GEF Office of M&E
GEF Secretariat
Partner Agencies
Two issues to report on

- Risk assessment at the Executing Agencies
  - Replies from ADB, IDB and FAO
  - Other agencies did not reply

- OPS3: High Level Panel
  - Budget: $95,000 – fees and travel
    - $45,000 covered from GEFME backstopping to OPS3 budget
    - $50,000 covered from GEFME contingencies for OPS3

- Third issue: acronym? GEFME, OME
Agenda

- Elements for a new GEF M & E policy for GEF4
- Management responses to M & E products
- Program studies
- OPS3
- Draft four year rolling work plan and budget
OPS3

- International tender – judged by OED of the World Bank – won by ICF Consulting & partners – July
- Contract signed – end of August
- Work started – September
- High Level Panel established: October
- Inception Report: first draft October, final November
- Role of GEFME: management on behalf of Council – logistical and administrative support – keeping OPS3 on track and on TOR – supporting independence of OPS3
Four Year Rolling Work Plan & Budget

- Consultative process leading up to GEF4
- Preliminary identification of 1) Focal areas 2) Cross-cutting and thematic issues and 3) Institutional and procedural issues
- New: 1) Country portfolio assessments and 2) Impact assessment
- Request to approve a contingent supplement to Office of M & E for FY05 of US $ 250,000
  - Consultative process
  - Initial work on impact assessment, capacity building, country portfolio assessment, knowledge management, etc.