



# **Seventh Comprehensive Evaluation of the GEF (OPS7)**

*Approach paper - June 2020*



# OPS7: Purpose

A

Provide **evidence** for GEF-8 replenishment

B

Assess to what extent the GEF is achieving its objectives of enhancing **global environmental benefits**

C

Identify potential areas for **improvement**

D

Assess the GEF's **progress** in implementation and achievement of the GEF 2020 Strategy

# *Two themes*

1 GEF Strategy,  
institutional issues,  
programming

2 GEF performance,  
impact, and  
sustainability

## **Evaluation criteria:**



## Relevance and global contribution of the GEF

# Strategy and institutional issues

- **Relevance** of the GEF (to global environmental challenges, countries, conventions)
- **Results and lessons** from implementation of the GEF 2020 Strategy
- **Design and implementation** of the GEF-7 programming strategy
- **Implementation** of GEF policies (gender; safeguards; stakeholder engagement, civil society, the private sector, and indigenous peoples)
- **Institutional processes** including results-based management and knowledge management
- The GEF Country Support **Programme**
- The GEF's **flexibility** to adapt and respond to crises

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*Results*

# *GEF Performance, Impact and Sustainability*



**Performance**  
(outcomes, longer-term sustainability)



GEF engagement with the **private sector**



**Innovation, transformational change and scaling up** (catalytic role of the GEF)



Performance, impact, and sustainability in **focal areas** (special themes)



**GEF performance and impact** (in country clusters; in fragile and conflict situations; through SGP, MSP, EA, LDCF/SCCF)

## OPS7 and component evaluations

# Methodology



### International good practice standards



### Mixed-method approach

*Scientific and evaluation literature review • Theory of change development • Document review • Portfolio analysis • Interviews • Surveys • GIS/remote sensing • Rapid impact evaluation • Country case studies/field verification • Statistical analyses • Qualitative analyses • Triangulation • Post-completion verification • Quality-at-entry*



### Limitations and mitigations strategies

- Limited field work
- Gathering inputs remotely
- Strategic selection of cases
- Using substantial evidence from completed evaluations

# Stakeholder consultations

During the approach  
paper preparation

During OPS7

In dissemination  
and outreach

# Quality assurance

5 external advisers



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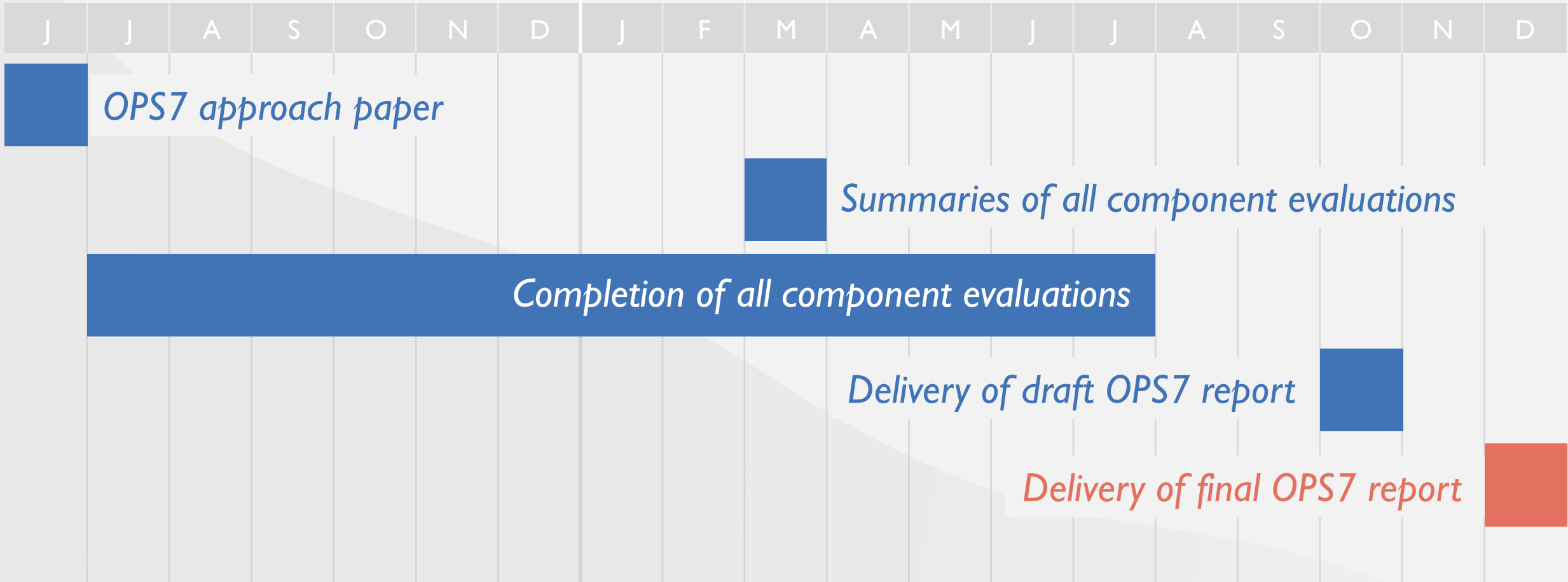
## Component evaluations:

Peer reviewers and reference groups

# Schedule

2020

2021







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