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# STATUS REPORT FOR THE SPECIAL CLIMATE CHANGE FUND

(Financial Report prepared by the Trustee)

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As of September 30, 2022

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## Introduction

The information contained in this report is prepared based on financial information of the Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF) Trust Fund as of September 30, 2022.

The SCCF was established following the decision of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (the "UNFCCC") at its Seventh Session ("COP 7") in November 2001 to invite the Global Environment Facility ("GEF") to operate such a fund (Decision 7/CP.7 of the UNFCCC). At its May 15-17, 2002 biannual meeting, the GEF Council (the "Council") approved the arrangements proposed for the establishment of such a fund and invited IBRD to act as its Trustee (GEF/C.19/6).

Under the SCCF Trust Fund are the Program for Adaptation and Program for Technology Transfer, both of which have been established under the SCCF following the endorsement by the Council of such Programs on the basis of document GEF/C.24/12, Programming to Implement the Guidance for the Special Climate Change Fund adopted by the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change at its Ninth Session.

The report is produced by the Trustee in accordance with the Trustee's role as set forth in the paper entitled Arrangements for the Establishment of the New Climate Change Funds (GEF/C.19/6) which states:

"[...] the World Bank would be responsible for the financial management of each fund, including: [...] (iv) the preparation of financial reports regarding the investment and use of the funds' resources; and (v) regular reporting to the Council on the status of the funds' resources."

This report provides (i) a snapshot of the financial situation of the SCCF Trust Fund since its inception to September 30, 2022; (ii) the status of pledges and contributions, and (iii) the details of financial activities of the SCCF Trust Fund.

## SCCF Trust Fund Financial Summary as of September 30, 2022

#### **Pledges and Contributions:**

As of September 30, 2022, 15 donors pledged and signed Contribution Agreements or Contribution Arrangements amounting to USDeq. 356.94 million, including USDeq. 295 million towards Program for Adaptation and USDeq. 61.94 million towards Program for Technology Transfer. The Trustee has received USDeq. 350.29 million in cash to date from these donors.

#### **Investment Income:**

As of September 30, 2022, the SCCF Trust Fund earned investment income of approximately USD 23.85 million on the undisbursed balance of the Trust Fund and USD 1.29 million as investment income from implementing agencies.

## **Funding Approvals and Trustee Commitments:**

As of September 30, 2022, cumulative funding decisions by the Council and the CEO amounted to USD 365.61 million. Of the total amount approved, USD 322.18 million was for projects and project preparation activities, USD 31.77 million was for fees, and USD 11.66 million was for administrative expenses and corporate activities of the SCCF.

Funding approved by the Council and the CEO is committed by the Trustee and transferred following established procedures for all financial transactions as agreed between the Trustee and the Agencies. The Trustee has committed a total amount of USD 362.77 million, of which USD 320.07 million relates to projects and project preparation activities, USD 31.05 million to fees, and USD 11.66 million to cover corporate activities and administrative expenses.

#### Cash Transfers:

Cash transfers were made to Agencies on an as-needed basis to meet their projected disbursement requirements. Out of the cumulative commitments of USD 362.77 million, upon request from Agencies, the Trustee has transferred USD 336.23 million. The balance of USD 26.54 million remains payable as of September 30, 2022.

#### Funds Held in Trust and Funds Available for Council and CEO Funding Decisions:

**Funds Held in Trust** reflect financial activities related to new donor payments (cash and promissory notes), encashment of promissory notes, investment income, cash transfers, and the revaluation of the balance of promissory notes at month-end. Funds Held in Trust as of September 30, 2022 amounted to USDeq. 39.21 million.

<u>Funds available to support Council or CEO decision amounted to USD 9.82 million as of September 30, 2022</u>. This represents a decrease of USD 1.54 million compared to funds available as of March 31, 2022.

#### Updates for the period October 1, 2022 to November 15, 2022

Denmark (DKK 75 million), Germany (EUR 10 million), Ireland (EUR 2 million), Slovenia (EUR 0.07 million) and Switzerland (CHF 10 million) made new pledges at COP27 in November 2022.

# 1. SCCF Trust Fund Summary – Inception through September 30, 2022

In USD millions

	Total	% of Total
Donor Pledges and Contributions		
Contributions	355.29	99.5%
Pledges	1.66	0.5%
Total Pledges and Contributions	356.94	100.0%
Cumulative Resources		
Resources received		
Cash Receipts	350.29	91.7%
Investment Income earned	23.85	6.2%
Investment Income Received from implementing agencies	1.29	0.3%
Total Resources Received	375.43	98.3%
Resources not yet received		
Contributions not yet paid	5.00	1.3%
Pledges	1.66	0.4%
Total resources not yet received	6.66	1.7%
Total Potential Resources (A)	382.09	100.0%
Cumulative Funding Decisions		
Projects	322.18	88.1%
Fees	31.77	8.7%
Administrative Budgets	11.66	3.2%
Total Funding Decisions Net of Cancellation (B)	365.61	100.0%
Total Potential Resources Net of Funding Decisions (A) - (B)	16.48	
Funds Available		· ·
Funds Held in Trust	39.21	
Approved Amounts Pending Cash Transfers	29.39	
Amounts pending Council/CEO approval	-	
Total Funds Available to Support Council / CEO Decisions	9.82	
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Note: The totals in the table may not add up due to rounding.

# 2. Pledges and Contributions

## In USD millions

		Total Pled	lges Outstan	ding and							
		Contrib	utions Finali	zed a/	Pledges C	utstanding		Contribution	n Agreeme	ents Finalized	
								Paid (Re	ceipts)	<u>U</u> np	a <u>id</u>
			3 = 5 +	4 = 6 +							
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								Amount		Amount	
Contributing							Total	Paid in		Due in	
Participant	_	Currency	Amount	USDeq. b/	Amount	USDeq. c/	Contributions	Currency	USDeq.	d/ Currency	USDeq.
Belgium		EUR	31.00	41.21	-	-	31.00	31.00	41.21	-	-
Canada		CAD	13.50	12.89	-	-	13.50	13.50	12.89	-	-
Denmark		DKK	50.00	9.04	-	-	50.00	50.00	9.04	-	-
Finland	e/	EUR	13.87	17.95	-	-	13.87	13.87	17.95	-	-
		USD	0.37	0.37	-	-	0.37	0.37	0.37	-	-
Germany		EUR	90.02	120.45	-	-	90.02	90.02	120.45	-	-
Ireland		USD	2.13	2.13	-	-	2.13	2.13	2.13	-	-
Italy		USD	10.00	10.00	-	-	10.00	5.00	5.00	5.00 f/	5.00
Netherlands		EUR	2.40	3.13	-	-	2.40	2.40	3.13	-	-
Norway		NOK	198.00	34.59	-	-	198.00	198.00	34.59	-	-
Portugal		EUR	1.07	1.30	-	-	1.07	1.07	1.30	-	-
Spain		EUR	9.00	12.35	-	-	9.00	9.00	12.35	-	-
Sweden		SEK	40.00	6.12	-	-	40.00	40.00	6.12	-	-
Switzerland	e/	CHF	14.96	14.75	-	-	14.96	14.96	14.75	-	-
		USD	2.06	2.06	1.66	g/ 1.66	0.40	0.40	0.40	-	-
United Kingdon	n	GBP	10.00	18.60	-	-	10.00	10.00	18.60	-	-
United States		USD	50.00	50.00	-		50.00	50.00	50.00	-	
				356.94		1.66		-	350.29		5.00

a/ Pledged contributions are made towards the Program for Adaptation and for the Transfer of Technology.

Note: The totals in the table may not add up due to rounding.

b/ Represents (1) the actual US dollar value of paid-in cash contributions and (2) September 30, 2022 value of outstanding pledges and unpaid amounts.

c/ Valued at the exchange rates available on September 30, 2022.

d/ Represents the actual US dollar value of paid-in cash contributions.

e/ Contributions made in more than one currency.

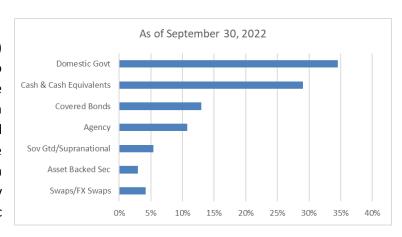
f/ Represents past due contribution.

g/ Represents the balance of Switzerland's pledge of USD 3,312,500 made during the 25th Council meeting in December 2018.

## 3. Asset Mix and Investment Income

#### **ASSET MIX**

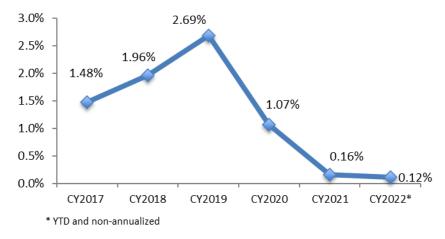
Funds held in trust by the World Bank (as the Trustee) are maintained in a commingled investment portfolio (the "Pool") for all trust funds administered by the World Bank. The assets in the Pool are managed in accordance with the investment strategy established for all trust funds administered by the World Bank. The chart reflects the asset mix of the portfolio in which SCCF funds are invested as of September 30, 2022. By asset class, the largest allocation was made to domestic government.



#### **INVESTMENT RETURNS**

The SCCF funds are invested in accordance with the investment strategy established for all trust funds administered by the World Bank. Funds are managed such that the expected maximum loss, as measured by the CVaR, in the worst 1% of cases will not exceed 0.25% at the portfolio's investment horizon.

The SCCF Trust Fund liquid portfolio (which totaled approximately USD 39.21 million at end-September 2022) earned approximately



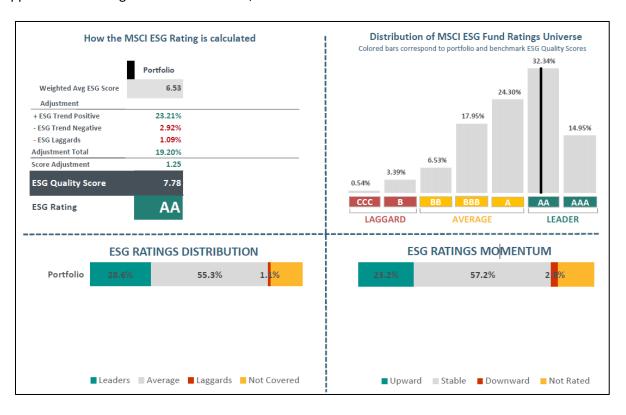
USD 23.85 million in investment income since inception. The portfolio returns over the first nine months of CY22 were 0.12%. The portfolio's lower returns can be attributed to an environment of rising yields during the period.

#### **ESG RATING OF THE SCCF TRUST FUND**

Starting from July 2019, the Trustee has applied ESG Integration as the default Sustainable and Responsible Investment (SRI) approach for all portfolios managed by the World Bank, including for the SCCF Trust Fund assets. The implementation of ESG Integration falls within the purview of existing authorizations by the World Bank Board, and thus would not involve any changes in the current investment objectives or risk limits for the SCCF Trust Fund portfolio.

Considering and incorporating ESG factors into investment processes should, all things being equal, lead to portfolios that have stronger ESG profiles compared to portfolios that do not explicitly consider these ESG issues. ESG Integration has become part of the existing investment processes and is intended to help fulfil the existing investment objectives without changes to the current investment objectives or risk limits of the portfolios for which it is used. Therefore, applying ESG Integration as part of the investment process would not involve any changes in the current investment objectives or risk limits for the SCCF Trust Fund portfolio.

The SCCF investment portfolio is primarily comprised of high-grade fixed-income securities (sovereign, supranational and agency securities, and bank deposits) and, as at September 2022, the portfolio has an ESG Quality Score<sup>1</sup> of 7.78 and an ESG Rating<sup>2</sup> of AA. Based on its ESG positioning in the MSCI ESG Fund Ratings Universe (upper right of below chart), which is deemed to be the more consistent reference indicator, SCCF's investment portfolio falls within the top decile of the ratings universe. This reflects high capability of SCCF portfolio's holdings in terms of managing key medium to long term risks and opportunities arising from Environmental, Social and Governance factors.

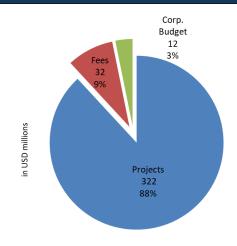


<sup>1/2</sup> ESG Quality Score is based on MSCI ESG Ratings and measured on a scale of 0 to 10 (worst to best) following a rule-based methodology. ESG Ratings Momentum represents the percentage of a portfolio's market value coming from holdings that have had an ESG Ratings upgrade, and those with a downgrade, since their previous ESG Rating assessment. The ESG Quality Score is calculated as a weighted average of ESG scores of individual holdings adjusted by ESG Ratings Momentum and ESG laggards (if any). The weight applied to the individual ESG scores is determined by the portfolio weight of individual holdings as of the reporting date. Based on the above, the ESG Quality Score, which is subject to potential skewing effect from any factor in the calculation, could slightly vary between different reporting dates along with changes in individual holdings and their portfolio weights chanaes in ESG Ratings Momentum. Please see details on MSCI ESG Ratings Methodology from: https://www.msci.com/documents/1296102/15388113/MSCI+ESG+Fund+Ratings+Exec+Summary+Methodology.pdf.

# 4. Cumulative Funding Decisions, Trustee Commitments and Cash Transfers

#### **FUNDING DECISIONS BY ACTIVITY**

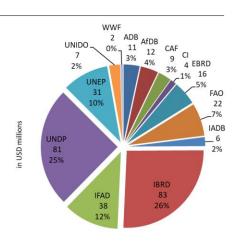
Since inception to September 30, 2022 funding approvals made by the LDCF/SCCF Council totaled USD 365.61 million. Projects represent about 88%, fees for Agencies 9%, and corporate budgets for the Secretariat, the Trustee, STAP and Independent Evaluation Office 3%.

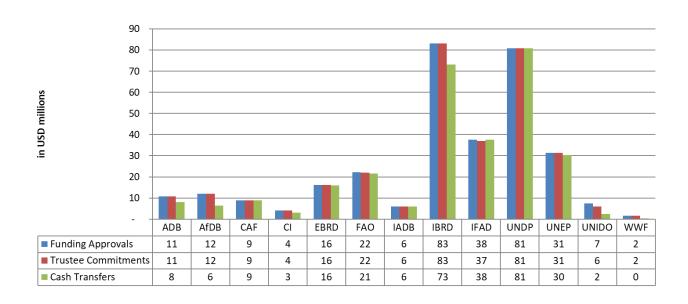


## PROJECT FUNDING DECISIONS BY AGENCY

The pie chart shows the project funding decisions by Agency. Of the total USD 322.18 million of approved projects to date, 26% has been allocated to IBRD, 25% to UNDP, 12% to IFAD and 10% to UNEP.

The bar chart below shows Agency-wise breakdown of project funding decisions, commitments and transfers by Trustee. Details of funding approvals, commitments and cash transfers can be found in Annex II.





## 5. Funds Available

## In USD millions

I. Program for Adaptation	As of September	30, 2022	As of March 31, 2022		Change	
	(a)		(b)		(c) = (a) -	- (b)
1. Funds held in Trust		21.05		23.11		(2.05)
a. Cash and investments	21.05		23.11		(2.05)	
b. Unencashed promissory notes	-		-		-	
2. Approved Amounts Pending Cash Transfers to Agencies		18.83		19.27		(0.45)
a. Trustee committed	15.99		15.79		0.20	
<ul> <li>b. Approved by Council/CEO pending Endorsement</li> </ul>	2.84		0.57		2.26	
c. Umbrella Set-aside	-		2.91		(2.91)	
3. Funding decisions pending for Council/CEO approval		-		-		-
4. Funds Available to Support Council or CEO Decisions (4 = 1 - 2 - 3)		2.23		3.83	_	(1.60)
II. Program for Technology Transfer	As of September	30, 2022	As of March	31, 2022	Chang	ge
<i>,</i>	(a)	<del></del> _	(a)	<del></del>	(c) = (a) -	- (b)
5. Funds held in Trust		18.15		18.09		0.07
a. Cash and investments	18.15		18.09		0.07	
b. Unencashed promissory notes	-		-		-	
6. Approved Amounts Pending Cash Transfers to Agencies		10.56		10.56		-
a. Trustee committed	10.56		10.56		-	
b. Approved by Council/CEO pending Endorsement	-		-		-	
7. Funds Available to Support Council or CEO Decisions ( 7 = 5 - 6 )		7.60	-	7.53		0.07
III. Total SCCF Funds Available for Council/CEO approval					_	
and/or CEO endorsement (4+7)		9.82		11.36		(1.54)

Note: The totals in the table may not add up due to rounding

## Highlights for the period April 1, 2022 through September 30, 2022:

- Funds Held in Trust represent cumulative cash receipts and investment income less cumulative cash transfers, and amount to USD 39.21 million as of September 30, 2022 (including USD 21.05 million for Program for Adaptation and USD 18.15 million for Program for Technology Transfer). Funds Held in Trust decreased by USD 1.98 million due to cash transfers (USD 2.14 million) exceeding investment income (USD 0.16 million) during the period.
- **Funding Decisions Pending Cash Transfer** arising from the LDCF/SCCF Council approvals amount to USD 29.39 million for both Programs.
- Funding Availability for Council decision amounts to USD 9.82 million representing a decrease of
  USD 1.54 million over the prior reporting period because fund transfers and new funding approvals by the
  Council and CEO exceeded receipt of new funds from donors and investment income earned during the same
  period.

# Annex I - Pledges and Contributions Details by Program: Adaptation and Technology Transfer

In USD millions

		i otal P	ledges Outstand	ling and								
		Contributions Finalized			Pledges Outst	tanding		Contribution Agreements Finalized				
								Paid (Rece	ipts)	Unpaid		
1	_	2	3 = 5 + 7	4 = 6 + 9+ 11	5	6	7 = 8 + 10	8	9	10	11	
Contributing							Total	Amount Paid		Amount Due		
<u>Participant</u>		Currency	<u>Amount</u>	<u>USDeq.</u> a/	<u>Amount</u>	USDeq. b/	Contributions	in Currency	USDeq. c/	in Currency	<u>USDeq.</u> b,	
Program for Ac	lapta	ation										
Canada		CAD	11.00	10.34	-	-	11.00	11.00	10.34	-	-	
Denmark		DKK	40.00	7.23	-	-	40.00	40.00	7.23	-	-	
Finland	d/	USD	0.37	0.37	-	-	0.37	0.37	0.37	-	-	
		EUR	13.52	17.52	-	-	13.52	13.52	17.52	-	-	
Germany		EUR	90.02	120.45	-	-	90.02	90.02	120.45	-	-	
Ireland		USD	1.28	1.28	-	-	1.28	1.28	1.28	-	-	
Italy		USD	5.00	5.00	-	-	5.00	0.00	0.00	5.00 e/	5.00	
Netherlands		EUR	2.40	3.13	-	-	2.40	2.40	3.13	-	-	
Norway		NOK	181.50	31.59	-	-	181.50	181.50	31.59	-	-	
Portugal		EUR	1.07	1.30	-	-	1.07	1.07	1.30	-	-	
Spain		EUR	8.00	11.05	-	-	8.00	8.00	11.05	-	-	
Sweden		SEK	37.00	5.69	-	-	37.00	37.00	5.69	-	-	
Switzerland	d/	CHF	9.50	9.38	-	-	9.50	9.50	9.38	-	-	
		USD	2.06	2.06	1.66 f/	1.66	0.40	0.40	0.40	-	-	
United Kingdon	n	GBP	10.00	18.60	-	-	10.00	10.00	18.60	-	-	
<b>United States</b>		USD	50.00	50.00	-	-	50.00	50.00	50.00	-	-	
				295.00		1.66			288.34		5.00	
Program for Te	chno	ology Transfe	er									
Belgium		EUR	31.00	41.21	-	-	31.00	31.00	41.21	-	-	
Canada		CAD	2.50	2.55	-	-	2.50	2.50	2.55	-	-	
Denmark		DKK	10.00	1.81	-	-	10.00	10.00	1.81	-	-	
Finland		EUR	0.35	0.42	-	-	0.35	0.35	0.42	-	-	
Ireland		USD	0.85	0.85	-	-	0.85	0.85	0.85	-	-	
Italy		USD	5.00	5.00	-	-	5.00	5.00	5.00	-	-	
Norway		NOK	16.50	3.00	-	-	16.50	16.50	3.00	-	-	
Spain		EUR	1.00	1.30	-	-	1.00	1.00	1.30	-	-	
Sweden		SEK	3.00	0.43	-	-	3.00	3.00	0.43	-	-	
Switzerland		CHF	5.46	5.37	-	-	5.46	5.46	5.37	-	-	
				61.94	<del>-</del>	-		<del>-</del>	61.94	<del>-</del>	-	
TOTAL				356.94	-	1.66		-	350.29	-	5.00	

a/ Represents (1) the actual US dollar value of paid-in cash contributions and (2) September 30, 2022 value of amount pending FX.

Note: The totals in the table may not add up due to rounding

b/ Valued at the exchange rates available on September 30, 2022.

c/ Represents the actual US dollar value of paid-in cash contributions.

d/ Contributions made in more than one currency.

e/ Represents past due amount.

f/ Represents the balance of Switzerland's pledge of USD 3,312,500 made during the 25th Council meeting in December 2018.

# **Annex II - Cumulative Funding Decisions Details by Activity and Agency**

	Approved			
Entity	Allocations	Commitments	Transfers	<b>Amount Due</b>
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4) = (2) - (3)
<u>Projects</u>				
ADB	10,831,531	10,831,531	7,990,066	2,841,465
AfDB	12,084,778	12,084,778	6,475,000	5,609,778
CAFVE	8,961,121	8,961,121	8,961,121	0
CI	4,020,067	4,020,067	3,102,636	917,431
EBRD	16,137,943	16,137,943	15,937,943	200,000
FAO	22,181,513	21,920,584	21,494,735	425,849
IADB	6,032,250	6,032,250	6,032,250	0
IBRD	83,116,240	83,116,240	73,168,084	9,948,156
IFAD	37,508,204	37,015,053	37,590,026	(574,973)
UNDP	80,927,150	80,927,150	80,912,003	15,147
UNEP	31,368,101	31,368,101	30,276,549	1,091,552
UNIDO	7,361,107	6,001,624	2,459,834	3,541,790
WWF	1,651,376	1,651,376	413,305	1,238,071
Sub-total	322,181,380	320,067,817	294,813,551	25,254,266
Fees				
ADB	1,111,252	1,031,724	1,031,724	0
AfDB	1,134,137	1,134,137	0	1,134,137
CAFVE	527,432	527,432	527,432	0
CI	362,064	279,495	279,495	0
EBRD	1,581,831	1,581,831	1,562,831	19,000
FAO	1,878,801	1,828,840	1,828,840	0
IADB	603,225	603,225	603,225	0
IBRD	8,844,983	8,844,983	8,844,983	0
IFAD	3,794,135	3,747,286	3,747,286	0
UNDP	7,953,252	7,953,252	7,953,252	0
UNEP	3,131,289	3,027,592	3,027,592	0
UNIDO	699,060	337,032	324,583	12,449
WWF	148,623	148,623	148,623	0
Sub-total	31,770,084	31,045,452	29,879,866	1,165,586
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Corporate Budget	a/			
Secretariat	7,134,668	7,134,668	7,134,668	0
Evaluation	594,666	594,666	594,666	0
STAP	1,261,380	1,261,380	1,133,380	128,000
Trustee	2,670,175	2,670,175	2,670,175	0
Sub-total	11,660,889	11,660,889	11,532,889	128,000
Total for SCCF	365,612,353	362,774,158	336,226,306	26,547,852

a/ Includes amounts allocated to cover administrative expenses to manage the SCCF and Corporate activities, including annual audit.

Note: The totals in the table may not add up due to rounding.