

GEF INTRODUCTION SEMINAR

November 20-22, 2023

7:00 – 11:00 AM EST (Washington DC Time)

Zoom Registration:

https://worldbankgroup.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJckd-msqzkjGNXOX0chPEueKw-BJZcRgexP

Conducted in English, Interpretation available in Spanish & French



TIME (EST)	DAY 1 – November 20, Monday GEF Governance, Partnership, Communication
7:00 – 7:20	Opening Remarks Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, CEO and Chairperson, GEF Secretariat Claude Gascon, Director, Strategy & Operations, GEF Secretariat
7:20 – 7:30	Seminar Objectives & Agenda
7:30 – 8:10	What is the GEF? Mandate, Governance Country Engagement Strategy Q/A
8:10 – 9:30	Meeting GEF Partners • Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel (STAP) • GEF Independent Evaluation Office Q/A
9:30 - 9:40	Screen Break
9:40 - 10:30	 Meeting GEF Partners (cont'd) GEF Trustee and Financial Operations High Ambition Coalition for Nature and People Secretariat Q/A
10:30 - 11:00	 Communication & Outreach GEF Communication and Visibility Policy Digital services: website, social media, newsletter News and editorial: storytelling and media relations Event support, Publications, Videos and Branding



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TIME (EST)	DAY 2 – November 21, Tuesday GEF Funding, Operations, GEF-8 Programming, Monitoring & Results
7:00 – 7:20	How to access GEF funding? GEF-8 Funding Structure STAR Country Allocation System Q/A
7:20 – 8:50	GEF-8 Programming Strategy Integrated Programs Focal Areas Private Sector Engagement Non-Grant Instruments Q/A
8:50 – 9:30	 Relations with Conventions GEF-8 Climate Change Adaptation Strategy Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF) Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF) Q/A
9:30 - 9:40	Screen Break
9:40 - 10:20	GEF Operations • Project & Program Cycle Q/A
10:20 – 11:00	GEF-8 Results Measurement Framework & Portfolio Management Tools GEF-8 Results Measurement Framework GEF Geospatial Platform Country & Agency Factsheets GEF Portal Q/A



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TIME (EST)	DAY 3 – November 22, Wednesday Civil Society, Policy Framework
7:00 – 8:00	Civil Society Engagement Engagement with Civil Society
	Meeting GEF Partners
	 GEF CSO Network GEF Indigenous Peoples Advisory Group (IPAG) GEF Gender Partnership
	Q/A
8:00 - 8:30	Civil Society Engagement (cont'd) Small Grants Program
	Q/A
8:30 – 9:50	 Policy Framework and Good Practice Examples Co-financing Stakeholder Engagement Gender Equality Minimum Fiduciary Standards Environmental & Social Safeguards
9:50 - 10:00	Survey, Group Photo