

**Coordinated Engagement to Support Countries in Implementing the
Paris Agreement:
A GCF-GEF Joint Event**

**12 December 2018
9am to 10am
Climate Action Room 1 (Area B)**

Background

As the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism for the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and Green Climate Fund (GCF) are key vehicles for countries to support climate action towards successful implementation of the Paris Agreement. The Conference of the Parties (COP), most recently through the review of the financial mechanism at COP23, requested the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism to continue to enhance complementarity and coherence.

At the occasion of the sixth GEF Assembly in June 2018, the GEF and GCF secretariats held an informal Ministerial dialogue to discuss with countries the concept of “Coordinated Engagement.” Through this initiative, countries were invited, on a pilot basis, to explore synergistic resource programming involving the GEF and GCF. The engagement aims to address the sequencing and complementarity of support, along with other factors that can lead to the best use of scarce public resources for the benefit of recipient countries.

Countries participating in the Coordinated Engagement pilot are expected to develop their country programming and planning document in 2019, working closely in partnership with the GCF and GEF.

This joint event will serve as an opportunity for ministers, focal points and key stakeholders that expressed interest in the pilot initiative to share their views on opportunities and challenges in national efforts for Paris Agreement implementation, and how they can be addressed through enhanced linkages and synergies between the GEF and the GCF. The event also provides an opportunity for the operating entities to update participants on ongoing efforts to support countries.

Breakfast will be served.

Provisional Agenda
(as of 8 December 2018)

	Topic
9:00 – 9:15	Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Naoko Ishii, GEF CEO and Chairperson* • Javier Manzanares, GCF Executive Director a.i.*
9:15 to 9:40	Country Perspectives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HE Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, Minister of Environment and Energy, Costa Rica* • HE Mr. Poasi Mataele Tei, Minister of Meteorology, Energy, Information, Disaster Management, Environment, Climate Change and Communications, Tonga • Mr. Teofilus Nghitila, Environmental Commissioner, Ministry of Environment and Tourism, Namibia
9:40 to 9:45	Remarks from UNFCCC Secretariat
9:45 to 10:00	Question and Answers, Comments from GCF and GEF
10:00	Adjournment

* Confirmed speakers