

**Operational
Improvements
to the
LDCF and SCCF**





Factors for Enhanced LDCF Strategic Prioritization

- ✓ Alignment with needs and priorities in national plans
- ✓ Alignment with Programming Strategy
- ✓ Opportunities to leverage/catalyze support
- ✓ Level of LDCF resources accessed
- ✓ Additional factors:
 - Potential for private sector engagement;
 - Geographical balance;
 - Extenuating circumstances; and
 - Timing of technical approval

LDCF Project Selection and Approval

Council approvals on work program based on strategic prioritization

Modality of Council approval	Selection of projects for approval		
		First-come, first-served basis	Strategic prioritization
	Rolling approval (project by project) on no objection basis	<u>Option 1</u> (Status quo)	<u>Option 2</u>
	Batch approval on no objection basis	<u>Option 3</u>	<u>Option 4</u>
	Work Programs at Council meetings and intersessional	<u>Option 5</u>	<u>Option 6</u>



LDCF Funding Ceiling

- Per-country ceiling to be **raised** to \$50 million, with initial per-country **cap** of \$10 million
- Maintains current practice while ensuring access to as many LDCs as possible
- May be raised during GEF-7, depending on donor contributions and programming

Regional and Global Initiatives

1

Capacity building,
cross-learning, COP
guidance response,
LDC work
programme

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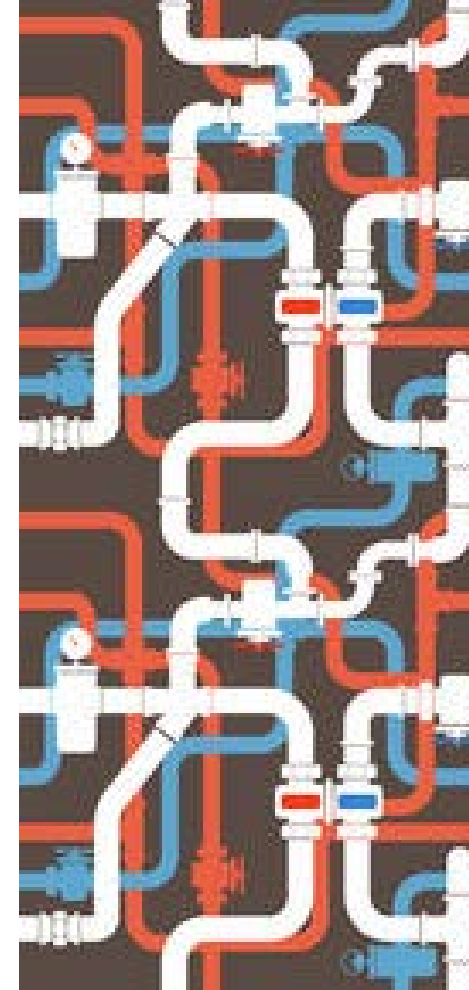
Incentive to integrate
adaptation/resilience
into regional and
global projects

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Innovative projects
with high potential for
all countries and with
private sector

Pipeline Management

- GEF to consult with countries that have pipelined projects to define GEF-7 priorities (option 2)
- Develop a plan for LDCF support:
 - (i) Explore synergistic and harmonized programming with GEF Trust Fund or other sources; and
 - (ii) Re-evaluate whether and how pipelined projects remain viable
- Countries invited to develop or revisit, and (re-)submit proposals according to the national plan, which may or may not include updated pipeline proposal



SCCF Modalities

1. Challenge Program

- ✓ Council to decide on threshold \$ for call for proposals and themes
- ✓ GEF Secretariat to screen (pre-select) concepts and invite further development
- ✓ Approval following regular project cycle

2. Incentive

- ✓ Managed outside pre-selection
- ✓ Developed and aligned with regular GEF projects programs
- ✓ Follows regular project cycle