



## **GEF- NGO Consultation**

**World Bank, Eugene R. Black Auditorium (H Auditorium), 600 19th Street, N.W., Washington D.C. (Please use entrance to the auditorium on G Street).**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2009, Washington DC, 09.30– 17.30**

The GEF NGO Consultation is being held in Washington DC immediately prior to the GEF Council Meeting and the Second meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> GEF Replenishment. The objective of the meeting is to facilitate a dialogue on critical issues related to the replenishment and future implementation - especially on governance, focal area strategies and allocation of resources and partnership with civil society. The meeting is open for Civil Society Organizations, GEF Agencies and the GEF Council members.

# **A G E N D A**

**09.30-10.00 Registration and Coffee**

**10.00 Welcome and Introduction**, GEF NGO Network Central Focal Point Mr. Faizal Parish

**10.10 Opening Remarks by the GEF CEO Mrs. Monique Barbut**

**Part A Overall progress of GEF and priority future needs for GEF Financing**

**10.45 – 11.45 Panel A. 1 Visions, Targets and civil society partnership in the implementation of 5<sup>th</sup> Replenishment of the GEF**

**Chair: Mr. Faizal Parish, Central Focal Point, GEF NGO Network**

- From Rio targets to today's realities (international commitments and major trends of natural resource degradation and climate change, importance of civil society engagement) (by Mr. Tim Geer, GEF NGO network/WWF International)
- Proposals for governance reforms to enhance effectiveness and Civil Society engagement during the GEF 5 implementation (by Mr. Faizal Parish, Central Focal Point of the GEF NGO Network)
- Achievements of GEF and presentation of key results of the interim report of the Fourth
- Overall Performance Study of GEF (OPS4) (by Mr. Robert van den Berg, GEF Evaluation Office)
- Discussion

**11.45-13.00 Panel A.2 Future priorities and strategies for the GEF Financing**

**Chair: Ms. Pila Barrera, Regional Focal Point for north America, GEF NGO Network/TNC**

- Proposed GEF 5 Strategy on Climate Change ( by Mr. Zhihong Zhang and Ms. Boni Biagini, Climate change team, GEF Secretariat)
- Civil society perspectives on GEF 5 strategies for financing of climate change (by Mr. Djiminique Nanasta, RFP West Africa, GEF NGO network / Mr. Jeff Price, WWF)

- GEF 5 Strategies under Natural Resources: Biodiversity/Land degradation/ International Waters and Sustainable Forest Management ( by Mr.Gustavo Fonseca, Ms.Andrea Kutter, Mr.Alfred M. Duda, Natural Resources Team, GEF Secretariat)
- Civil society perspectives on GEF 5 strategies for financing of biodiversity/land degradation and International waters (by Ms. Flavia Loures, Mr. Pablo Gutman, GEF NGO network/WWF)
- Discussion

13.00-14.00 Lunch

**14.00 – 15.15 Part B Enhancing Civil society engagement in the implementation of future GEF programs**

**Panel B1 Need and Options for enhanced allocation of resources for Civil society through the GEF 5 mechanisms**

**Chair: Mr.Bruce Potter, Regional Focal Point for Carribbean, GEF NGO Network/ CCA**

- Presentation of the Review of the Impact of the RAF on Civil society organizations (by Ms. Liliana Hisas, GEF NGO Network/FEU)
- Presentation on the System for Transparent Allocation of Resources (STAR) in GEF 5 (by Mr. Ming Yang, Operations & Business Strategy Team, GEFSEC)
- Presentation on the review of the Small Grants Program (SGP) in GEF 4 and the envisaged mechanism for the SGP in GEF 5 (by Mr.Delfin Ganapin, SGP)
- Civil society experiences and vision for SGP and other Civil society capacity building and partnership programs (by Mr.Filipe Villagran, GEF NGO Network, RFP Mesoamerica)
- Discussion

15.15-15.30 Coffee

**15.30- 16.30 Panel B2 Integrating civil society into GEF program Implementation**

**Chair: Johnson Cerda. GEF NGO Network/Indigenous People's Representative, Latin America**

- Presentations from selected GEF agencies on measures taken to ensure civil society engagement in GEF program implementation (by Mr.Steve Gorman WB, Mr.John Hough UNDP, Ms.Kristin McLaughlin UNEP)
- Presentation by GEF NGO Network on opportunities and constraints for civil society engagement in GEF implementation (by Mr.German Rocha, GEF NGO Network / Mr.Jagdeesh Pupala, RFP South Asia)
- Discussion

**16.30-17.15 Overall conclusions from NGO Consultation and recommendations for consideration at the Council and Replenishment meeting.**

**17.15 Closing**