24th LDCF/SCCF Council Meeting
June 26, 2018
Da Nang, Viet Nam

Agenda Item 02

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA
Agenda Item 1.  Opening of the Meeting

(CEO chairs)

1. The meeting will be opened by Naoko Ishii, CEO and Chairperson of the Facility and the elected Chairperson of the GEF Council who will act as Chairperson of the LDCF/SCCF Council.

2. The CEO will chair the LDCF/SCCF Council meeting during discussions on agenda item 3, “Opening Remarks by the LDC Chair”; agenda item 4, “Project Showcase”; agenda item 5, “GEF 2018-2022 Programming Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund and Operational Improvements”; agenda item 6, “Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund”; agenda item 7, “FY17 Annual Monitoring Review of the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund”; agenda item 8, “LDCF/SCCF Annual Evaluation Report 2017”); agenda item 9, “FY19 Administrative Budget for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund”; and agenda item 10, “FY19 Work Program and Budget for the Independent Evaluation Office under the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund”.

3. The elected Chairperson and the CEO will jointly chair the LDCF/SCCF Council meeting during discussions on agenda item 11, “Other Business”; and agenda item 12, “Joint Summary of the Chairs”.

Agenda Item 2.  Adoption of the Agenda

(CEO chairs)

4. A Provisional Agenda for consideration by the LDCF/SCCF Council has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.24.01.

5. The LDCF/SCCF Council is invited to adopt the agenda for the meeting.

Agenda Item 3.  Opening remarks by the LDC Chair

(CEO chairs)
The CEO will welcome and invite Mr. Gebru Jember Endalew, Chair of the Least Developed Countries (LDC) Group under the UNFCCC, to make opening remarks.

**Agenda Item 4.** Project Showcase

*(CEO chairs)*

The CEO will invite His Excellency Ato Kare Chawicha Debessa, State Minister, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, Ethiopia, to present the LDCF-supported achievements of the “Sustainable Land Management Project 2” in Ethiopia, which is a multi-trust fund project under the Ethiopia Great Green Wall Initiative, implemented by the World Bank.

**Agenda Item 5.** GEF 2018-2022 Programming Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund and Operational Improvements

*(CEO chairs)*

The GEF 2018-2022 Programming Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund and Operational Improvements has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.24/03, and will be presented to the Council Members for approval.

Draft Decision: The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.24/03, GEF Programming Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund and Operational Improvements, welcomed the Strategy and endorsed it as a basis for programming resources under the LDCF and the SCCF from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2022.

**Agenda Item 6.** Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund

*(CEO chairs)*

The Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.24/04.

Draft Decision: The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.24/04, Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, welcomes
the report and takes note with appreciation of the progress made under the LDCF and the SCCF.

Agenda Items 7 and 8. FY17 Annual Monitoring Review of the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund and LDCF/SCCF Annual Evaluation Report 2017 (CEO Chairs)

12. The Annual Monitoring Review (AMR) has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.24/05, and will be presented to Council Members for approval.

13. The AMR describes the performance and results of, and the lessons learned from the portfolio of projects and programs financed under the Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF) and the Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF) that had begun implementation on or before June 30, 2016 and that were under implementation during at least part of the fiscal year 2017 (FY17). The review further provides information on management effectiveness and efficiency as it relates to the LDCF and the SCCF.

14. Draft Decision: The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.24/05, FY17 Annual Monitoring Review of the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, welcomed the review and appreciated the progress made in reporting portfolio-level performance, results and lessons learned under the LDCF and the SCCF. The Council welcomed the overall finding that 86 and 97 per cent of LDCF and SCCF projects under implementation respectively in FY17 were rated in the satisfactory range for their progress towards development objectives.

15. The LDCF/SCCF Annual Evaluation Report (AER) has been circulated to all Council Members as documents GEF/LDCF.SCCF.24/ME/01, and will be presented to Council Members for consideration.

16. The AER provides an annual evaluation of LDCF and SCCF projects for which terminal evaluations were received during calendar year 2017.

Agenda Items 9 and 10. FY19 Administrative Budget for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund and FY19 Work Program and Budget for the Independent Evaluation Office of the GEF under the LDCF and the SCCF (CEO chairs)
17. The FY19 Administrative Budget for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.24/06, and will be presented to Council Members for approval.

18. The document reviews the outcome of the fiscal year 2018 (FY18) LDCF/SCCF Council-approved budget, and proposes an administrative budget to cover the costs of the Secretariat, Trustee and Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel (STAP) for their services to the LDCF and the SCCF for FY19.

19. Draft Decision: The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.24/06, FY19 Administrative Budget for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, approved the proposed budget for the GEF Secretariat, STAP, the Trustee and the GEF Independent Evaluation Office (IEO), as follows:

   (1) $1,042,797 (GEF Secretariat), $128,000 (STAP), $337,000 (Trustee), and $26,000 (GEF IEO) from the Least Developed Countries Fund; and

   (2) $481,576 (GEF Secretariat), $128,000 (STAP), $118,000 (Trustee), and $26,000 (GEF IEO) from the Special Climate Change Fund.

20. The Work Program and Budget for the IEO has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.24/ME/02, and will be presented to Council Members for approval. It proposes a budget to cover the costs of implementing the evaluation work program for the LDCF and the SCCF for FY19.

21. Draft Decision: The Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.24/ME/02, FY19 Work Program and Budget for the Independent Evaluation Office of the GEF under the LDCF and the SCCF, approved an annual budget of $52,000 for the Independent Evaluation Office for fiscal year 2019 for the proposed work program:

   (1) $26,000 from the LDCF and

   (2) $26,000 from the SCCF.
Agenda Item 11. Other Business
(Jointly chaired)

22. Members and Chairs may raise any other business under this agenda item.

Agenda Item 12. Joint Summary of the Chairs
(Jointly chaired)

23. The Elected Chair and the CEO and Chairperson will present a joint summary of the conclusions of the meeting. Decisions approved by the Council during the meeting will be included in the Chairs’ Joint Summary.

24. The LDCF/SCCF Council is invited to review and approve the Joint Summary of the Chairs.