Agenda Item 1. Opening of the Meeting

1. The meeting will be opened by Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, CEO and Chairperson of the LDCF/SCCF Council.

Agenda Item 2. Adoption of the Agenda

2. A Provisional Agenda for consideration by the LDCF/SCCF Council has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.29/01.

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

Agenda Item 3. Work Program for the Least Developed Countries

4. The Work Program for the Least Developed Countries Fund has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.29/03 and will be presented to Council for approval.

5. Draft Decision: The Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.29/03, Work Program for the Least Developed Countries Fund, approves the Work Program comprising of nine projects subject to comments made during the Council meeting and additional comments that may be submitted in writing to the Secretariat by January 11, 2021.

Total resources approved in this Work Program amount to $63.87 million for the LDCF, inclusive of GEF project financing and Agency fees. The Work Program is comprised of the following Project Identification Forms (PIFs):

[See Annex A]

With respect to the PIFs approved as part of the Work Program, the Council finds that each of these PIFs (i) is, or would be, consistent with the Instrument and GEF policies and procedures, and (ii) may be endorsed by the CEO for final approval by the GEF Agency, provided that the final project documents fully incorporate and address the Council’s and the Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel (STAP) reviewer’s comments on the Work Program, and that the CEO confirms that the project continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF policies and procedures.

With respect to any PIF approved in this Work Program, the final project document will be posted on the GEF website for information
after CEO endorsement. If there are major changes to the project objectives or scope since PIF approval, the final project document shall be posted on the web for Council review for four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.

**Agenda Item 4. FY19 Annual Monitoring Review of the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund**

6. The Annual Monitoring Review (AMR) of the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.29/04 and will be presented to Council for approval.

7. 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, 2019 and that were under implementation during at least part of the fiscal year 2019 (FY19). The review further provides information on management effectiveness and efficiency as it relates to the LDCF and the SCCF.

8. Draft Decision:

1) The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.29/04, FY19 Annual Monitoring Review of the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, welcomes the review and appreciates the progress made in reporting portfolio-level performance, results and lessons learned under the LDCF and the SCCF.

2) The Council welcomes the overall finding that the LDCF and SCCF portfolio under implementation in FY19 performed satisfactorily.

**Agenda Item 5. Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund**

9. 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.29/05.

10. Draft Decision: The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.29/05, 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 SCCF.

Agenda Item 6. 2020 Program Evaluation of the Least Developed Countries Fund

11. The 2020 Program Evaluation of the Least Developed Countries Fund has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.29/E/01 and will be presented to Council Members for consideration.

12. The Program Evaluation provides an evaluation of LDCF-related outputs, outcomes, and support towards catalytic effects.


(a) Build on progress made on mainstreaming gender in the LDCF portfolio and aim to decrease the knowledge gap about gender-related results.

(b) Continue to enhance the likelihood of the sustainability of outcomes.

Agenda Item 7. New Contribution Announcement

14. Donors will have the opportunity to announce or confirm pledges to the LDCF and SCCF.

Agenda Item 8. Other Business

15. Council Members may raise any other business under this agenda item.

Agenda Item 9. Summary of the Chair

16. The Chair will present a summary of the conclusions of the meeting. Decisions approved by the Council during the meeting will be included in the Summary of the Chair.