### GEF COUNCIL CONSULTATION MEETING WITH CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS
12 November 2012, IMF HQ1 Atrium (700 19th Street, NW, Washington D.C.)

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#### SESSION 1: ENHANCING CSO ENGAGEMENT IN GEF

10.15 - 12.30 Panel 1: Review of CSO Engagement in GEF

This panel will discuss and review the current CSOs/IPs engagement in GEF projects and processes, the challenges as well as the visions for effective engagement.

**Moderator:** Fiu Mataese Elisara (*RFP The Pacific GEF-NGO Network*)

**Panel:** Faizal Parish (*Central Focal Point GEF NGO Network*); Maryam Niamir-Fuller (*UNEP*); Andrew Velthaus (*GEF Secretariat*); Paula Caballero (*GEF Council Member, Colombia*); Victor Kawanga (*RFP Southern Africa GEF-NGO Network*); Yoko Watanabe (*GEF Secretariat*); Johnson Cerda (*Alternate IPFP Americas GEF-NGO Network*); Delfin Ganapin (*GEF SGP*)

Discussion

12.30-14.00 Lunch

#### SESSION 2: GLOBAL FINANCING NEEDS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

14.00 - 15.30 Panel 2: Financing needs for the Environment

This panel will discuss the state on climate financing, CBD COP11 decision on financing for CBD and the vision for the financing process.

**Moderator:** Dirk Joldersma (*RFP North America GEF-NGO Network*)

**Panel:** CBD Secretariat; Guenter Mitlacher (*CBD Expert Team/RFP Europe GEF-NGO Network*); Alejandro Kilpatrick (*UNFCCC Secretariat*); Karen Orenstein (*Friends of the Earth USA*); Chris Whaley (*GEF Alternate Council Member, UK*)

Discussion

#### SESSION 3: ENHANCING CONVENTION IMPLEMENTATION

15.30 - 17.00 Panel 3: CBD and UNCCD

This panel will explore key emerging issues from the CBD COP11 in October 2012 as well as the UNCCD COP10 in Oct 2011. It will map out the challenges and opportunities to enhance CBD/UNCCD implementation. It will also explore the role of civil society in convention implementation.

**Moderator:** Tanveer Arif (*RFP South Asia GEF-NGO Network*)

**Panel:** Mr. Braulio Ferreira de Souza (*CBD Executive Secretary*); Metchiade Bukury (*UNCCD Secretariat*); Jozef Buys (*GEF Council Member, Belgium*); Essam Nada (*RFP North Africa GEF-NGO Network*); Mark Zimsky (*GEF Secretariat*); Mohamed Iman Bakarr (*GEF Secretariat*)

Discussion

17.00 - 17.30 Summary and closing

18.30 Reception