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 “Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund”, agenda item 4 “FY14 Annual Monitoring Review of the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund”, agenda item 5 “Work Program for the Special Climate Change Fund”, agenda item 6 “FY16 Administrative Budget for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund”, agenda item 7 “Four-Year Work Program and Budget for the GEF Independent Evaluation Office under the LDCF and SCCF”, and agenda item 8 “LDCF/SCCF Annual Evaluation Report 2014 and Management Response”.

3. The elected Chairperson and the CEO will jointly chair the LDCF/SCCF Council meeting during discussions on agenda item 9, “Other Business” and agenda item 10, “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.18.01.

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

Agenda Item 3. Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund

(CEO chairs)

6. The Progress Report has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.18/03, and will be presented to the Council Members for approval.

7. Draft Decision: The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.18/03, Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change
Fund, welcomed the report and took note with appreciation of the progress made under the LDCF and the SCCF.

Agenda Item 4. FY14 Annual Monitoring Review of the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund (CEO chairs)

8. The FY14 Annual Monitoring Review (AMR) has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.18/04, and will be presented to Council Members for approval.

9. 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, 2013 and that were under implementation during at least part of the fiscal year 2014 (FY14). The review further provides information on management effectiveness and efficiency as it relates to the LDCF and the SCCF.

10. Draft Decision: The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.18/04, FY14 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 98 per cent of LDCF projects and 92 per cent of SCCF projects under implementation in FY14 were rated in the satisfactory range for their progress towards development objectives.

Agenda Item 5. Work Program for the Special Climate Change Fund (CEO chairs)

11. The Work Program has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.18/05, and will be presented to Council Members for approval.

12. Draft Decision: The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.18/05, Work Program for the Special Climate Change Fund, approved the work program comprising three project concepts, subject to comments made during the Council meeting and additional comments that would be submitted in writing to the Secretariat by June 18, 2015. Total
resources requested in this work program amounted to $15.537 million which include SCCF project grants and Agency fees.

Agenda Item 6. **FY16 Administrative Budget for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund (CEO Chairs)**

13. The *FY16 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.18/06, and will be presented to Council Members for approval.

14. The document reviews the outcome of the fiscal year 2015 (FY15) LDCF/SCCF Council-approved budget, and proposes an administrative budget to cover the costs of the Secretariat, Trustee and Scientific Technical Advisory Panel (STAP) for their services to the LDCF and the SCCF for FY16.

15. Draft Decision: The *LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.18/06, 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) $1,020,132 (GEF Secretariat), $121,000 (STAP), $334,000 (Trustee), and $69,000 (GEF IEO) from the Least Developed Countries Fund; and

   (2) $508,923 (GEF Secretariat), $121,000 (STAP), $171,000 (Trustee), and $14,000 (GEF IEO) from the Special Climate Change Fund.

Agenda Item 7. **Four-Year Work Program and Budget for the GEF Independent Evaluation Office under the LDCF and SCCF (CEO Chairs)**

16. The *Four-Year Work Program and Budget* for the GEF IEO has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.18/ME/01, and will be presented to Council Members for approval.

17. The Work Program will be organized around the two strategic programming pillars as laid out in the *2014-2018 GEF Programming Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change for the*
Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund: integrating climate change adaptation into relevant policies, plans, programs and decision-making processes, and expanding synergies with other GEF focal areas.

18. Draft Decision: The Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.18/ME/01, Four-Year Work Program and Budget for the GEF Independent Evaluation Office under LDCF/SCCF, approves an annual budget of $83,000 for the Independent Evaluation Office for fiscal year 2016 for the proposed work program:

(a) $69,000 from the LDCF and
(b) $14,000 from the SCCF.

Agenda Item 8. LDCF/SCCF Annual Evaluation Report 2014 and Management Response

(CEO Chairs)

19. The LDCF/SCCF Annual Evaluation Report (AER) and Management Response have been circulated to all Council Members as documents GEF/LDCF.SCCF.18/ME/02 and GEF/LDCF.SCCF.18/ME/03, and will be presented to Council Members for approval.

20. The AER provides an annual evaluation of completed projects under the LDCF and SCCF during FY 14. The Management Response provides the GEF response to the AER.

21. Draft Decision: The Council, having considered document GEF/LDCF.SCCF/18/ME/02, LDCF/SCCF Annual Evaluation Report 2014, welcomes the report and notes the information on the progress of the LDCF and SCCF. The Council requests the GEF Independent Evaluation Office to develop the AER as the portfolios mature to become a robust source of information and a tool for decision making.

Agenda Item 9. Other Business

(Jointly chaired)

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

Agenda Item 10. 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.