

LDCF/SCCF Council Meeting  
July 1, 2010

Agenda Item 3

## ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

**AGENDA ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING**

1. The meeting will be opened by Monique Barbut, CEO/Chairperson of the Facility.

**AGENDA ITEM 2. ELECTION OF A CHAIRPERSON**

2. At its meeting in December 2006, the LDCF/SCCF Council decided that the Rules of Procedure for the GEF Council will serve as the Rules of Procedure for the LDCF/SCCF Council, subject to agreed modifications listed in the decision of the LDCF/SCCF Council.
3. In accordance with paragraph 18 of the Instrument and the Rules of Procedure for the Council, a Chairperson will be elected from among the Members of the Council. The position of elected Chairperson is to alternate from one meeting to another between recipient and non-recipient Council Members. The elected Chairperson at the previous LDCF/SCCF Council meeting was Ms. Asa Andrae, the Council Member representing the constituency of Estonia, Finland, and Sweden.

**AGENDA ITEM 3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

4. A provisional agenda for consideration by the Council has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.8/1/Rev.1  
*The Council is invited to adopt the agenda for the meeting.*

**AGENDA ITEM 4. ACCESSING RESOURCES UNDER THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES FUND**

5. Parties to the Fifth Replenishment of the GEF, recommended a set of policy recommendations, including streamlining the project cycle. As the LDCF by default follows operational policies of the GEF, unless it is decided otherwise by the LDCF/SCCF Council and the COP guidance, the Secretariat has prepared Document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.8/3, *Accessing Resources under the Least Developed Countries Fund*, reflecting the policy changes, for the LDCF/SCCF Council discussion. In addition to fulfilling the objective of improving the current project cycle, this paper contains a draft guidelines' standalone paper intended to also fulfill the objective of improving communication with the Least Developed Countries.

6. *The Council is invited to review the proposed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.8/3 Accessing Financing under the Least Developed Countries Fund, and:*

*(1) noting it reflects and responds to Decision 5/CP.14, FCCC/CP/2008/7/Add.1, **Further guidance for the operation of the Least Developed Countries Fund**, requesting the GEF “to work with its agencies to improve the communication with least developed country Parties and to speed up the process through which least developed country parties can access funding [under the LDCF]”, as well as DANIDA’s **Joint External Evaluation: Operation of the Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF) for Adaptation to Climate Change** recommendation to simplify the procedures for accessing funds under the LDCF; and,*

*(2) finding that the document is consistent with the GEF operational policies recommendations adopted during GEF/C.38; approve it as is.*

**AGENDA ITEM 5. BUDGET FOR THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES FUND (LDCF) AND THE SPECIAL CLIMATE CHANGE FUND (SCCF)**

7. In establishing the LDCF and the SCCF, the Council agreed that the operations and administrative costs incurred in connection with managing both the LDCF and the SCCF should be kept separate from the GEF Trust Fund.
8. Document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.8/4 proposes an administrative budget to cover the costs of the Secretariat, the Trustee and the Evaluation Office in managing the LDCF and the SCCF for FY10/11.
9. *The LDCF/SCCF Council is invited to review and approve the administrative budget.*

**AGENDA ITEM 6. WORK PLAN AND BUDGET FOR THE EVALUATION OFFICE UNDER THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES FUND AND THE SPECIAL CLIMATE CHANGE FUND**

10. As the LDCF/SCCF funds and their programs and activities evolve and mature, the GEF Evaluation Office proposes to serve these funds with regards to their evaluation needs and requirements by developing a LDCF/SCCF evaluation work program. This work program will systematically and impartially assess the projects, programs, and

strategies supported by the funds. Following the LDCF/SCCF standard practice of adapting GEF Trust Fund policies and procedures, the proposed evaluation program will be based on the GEF Trust Fund M&E Policy, approved by GEF Council in February 2006.

11. Document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.8/ME/1, *Work Plan and Budget for the Evaluation Office under the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund*, proposes a budget to cover the cost of implementing the evaluation work program for LDCF and SCCF presented by the GEF Evaluation Office for FY11.
12. *The LDCF/SCCF Council is invited to review and approve the Work Plan and Budget for the Evaluation Office under the LDCF and SCCF.*

**AGENDA ITEM 7. OTHER BUSINESS**

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