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31st LDCF/SCCF Council Meeting
December 9, 2021
Virtual Meeting

Agenda Item 02

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Agenda Item 1. Opening of the Meeting
(CEO chairs)

1. The meeting will be opened by Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, CEO and Chairperson.
2. The LDCF/ SCCF Council will recall that Mette Møglestue, Council member for the Constituency of Norway, Denmark, Latvia and Lithuania, has been designated as Elected Chairperson for the year 2021 by a decision adopted on April 22, 2021.
3. The CEO will chair the LDCF/SCCF Council meeting during agenda item 3, "Opening Remarks", agenda item 4, "*Work Program for the Least Developed Countries Fund*", agenda item 5, "*Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund*" and agenda item 7, "*2021 Program Evaluation of the Special Climate Change Fund and Management Response*".
4. The Elected Chairperson will chair the LDCF/SCCF Council meeting during agenda item 2, "*Adoption of the Agenda*", agenda item 6, "*Update on the Development of the GEF Programming Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change for the Least Developed Countries Fund and Special Climate Change Fund and Operational Improvements: July 2022 – June 2026*" agenda item 8, "*Other Business*", and agenda item 9, "*Joint Summary of the Chairs*".

Agenda Item 2. Adoption of the Agenda
(Elected Chairperson chairs)

5. A *Provisional Agenda* for consideration by the LDCF/SCCF Council has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.31/01/Rev.02.
6. The LDCF/SCCF Council is invited to adopt the agenda for the meeting.

Agenda Item 3. Opening Remarks by the incoming LDC Chair:
Mrs. Madeleine Diouf SARR
(CEO chairs)

7. The CEO will welcome and invite the incoming Chair of the Least Developed Countries (LDCF) Group: Ms. Madeleine Diouf SARR to deliver the opening remarks.

Agenda Item 4.

**Work Program for the Least Developed Countries Fund
(CEO chairs)**

8. *Work Program for the Least Developed Countries Fund* has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.31/03. The document outlines key aspects of the proposed Work Program, including programming trends in the LDCF resources relative to the strategic objectives, distribution by countries, regions, and GEF Agencies, and presents observations and outlook. The Council is requested to approve the LDCF Work Program for the total resources requested.

9. *Draft Decision: The Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.31/03, Work Program for the Least Developed Countries Fund, approves the Work Program comprising of three projects, subject to comments made during the Council meeting and additional comments that may be submitted in writing to the Secretariat by January 7, 2022.*

Total resources approved in this Work Program amount to \$19.62 million from 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.

In light of the recent audit report by the UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI) of UNDP GEF Management, all projects included in the Work Program implemented by UNDP shall be circulated by email for Council review at least four weeks prior to CEO endorsement/approval. This shall take place as actions of the Management Action Plan that address the OAI recommendations are being implemented, and as the independent, risk-based third-party review of compliance by UNDP with the GEF Policy on Minimum Fiduciary Standards is being completed. Project reviews will take into consideration the relevant findings of the external audit and the UNDP management responses and note them in the endorsement review sheet that will be made available to the Council during the four-week review period.

Agenda Item 5. Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund
(CEO chairs)

10. 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.31/04/Rev.01 and will be presented to Council for approval.
11. *Draft Decision: The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.31/04/Rev.01, Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, welcomes the report and takes note with appreciation the progress made under the LDCF and the SCCF.*

Agenda Item 6. Update on the Development of the GEF Programming Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund and Operational Improvements: July 2022 to June 2026
(Elected Chairperson chairs)

12. Update on the Development of the GEF Programming Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund and Operational Improvements: July 2022 to June 2026 is an Information document so there is no decision.

Agenda Item 7. 2021 Program Evaluation of the Special Climate Change Fund and Management Response
(CEO chairs)

13. *2021 Program Evaluation for the Special Climate Change Fund* has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF/31/E/01 and will be presented to Council Members for approval.
14. Draft Decision: *The Council, having considered document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.31/E/01, 2021 Program Evaluation of the Special Climate Change Fund and the Management Response, takes note of the related evaluation recommendation and endorses the management response to address it.*
15. A management response will be presented by the Secretariat.

Agenda Item 8. Other Business
(Elected Chairperson chairs)

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

Agenda Item 9. Joint Summary of the Co-Chairs
(Elected Chairperson chairs)

17. The Elected Chair will present a joint summary of the decisions approved during the meeting.