

3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting  
April 26, 2022  
Virtual Meeting

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

**THIRD MEETING ON 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 TO JUNE 2026**

Third Meeting on 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

April 26, 2022 (Tuesday) at 8:00am – 12:30pm EDT

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BACKGROUND

As an operating entity of the financial mechanism to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the GEF supports climate change adaptation through the Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF) and the Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF). These two funds also serve the Paris Agreement to contribute to achieving the global goal on adaptation. Since inception, they have been supporting country- driven projects that address national priorities, facilitating adaptation action with transformative potential at the global and regional levels and financing enabling activities in response to the guidance of UNFCCC Conference of Parties (COP). The [30<sup>th</sup> LDCF/SCCF Council meeting](#) approved a decision for GEF Secretariat to initiate the process to develop the GEF Programming Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change for the LDCF and SCCF and Operational Improvement: July 2022 to June 2026.

As part of this process, the [first LDCF/SCCF Strategy Meeting](#) was held in October 2021 and the [second strategy meeting](#) was held on February 16, 2022. Participants provided inputs to the GEF Secretariat to refine the draft of the Programming Strategy and operational improvements. The upcoming third strategy meeting will be the final consultation on the Programming Strategy prior to its presentation for approval at the 32<sup>nd</sup> LDCF/SCCF Council meeting in June 2022.

AGENDA (4.5 HOURS)

Time (EDT)	Agenda item
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	<i>Opening Remarks</i> <b>Mr. Carlos Manuel Rodriguez</b> , CEO and Chairperson, GEF <b>Representative</b> , United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) tbc <b>Ms. Madeleine Diouf Sarr</b> , Chair, Least Developed Countries Group
8:30 AM – 9:15 AM	<i>Discussions on Contributions towards Enhanced Predictability: Briefing by the Trustee of the LDCF and the SCCF</i> <b>Mr. Praveen Desabatla</b> , Senior Financial Officer, World Bank
9:15 AM – 10:15 AM	<i>Presenting the Programming Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change for the LDCF and SCCF and Operational Improvements</i> <b>Mr. Gustavo Fonseca</b> , Director of Programs, GEF <b>Ms. Chizuru Aoki</b> , Lead Environmental Specialist, GEF Discussion
10:15 AM – 10:30 AM	VIRTUAL COFFEE BREAK

10:30 AM – 11:15 AM *Continued Discussion on the Programming Strategy and Operational Improvements*

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11:15 AM – 11:45 AM *The Way Forward*

1. Expression of interest and intension of support from donors
  2. LDCF/SCCF Council approval and organization of pledging session
  3. Discussion on communication on the outcome of the negotiations
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11:45 AM – 12:30 PM *Reflections and Closing of Third Meeting*

**Ms. Madeleine Diouf Sarr**, Chair, Least Developed Countries Group

**Reflections from other participants**

**Mr. Carlos Manuel Rodriguez**, CEO and Chairperson, GEF

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