



GEF/LDCF.SCCF.34/02
June 23, 2023

34th LDCF/SCCF Council Meeting
June 29, 2023
Brasilia, Brazil

Agenda Item 02

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Agenda Item 01

Opening of the Meeting

1. The meeting will be opened by Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, CEO and Chairperson of the GEF Secretariat.
2. The LDCF/SCCF Council will recall that Mr. Tom Bui, Council member for Canada, had been designated as Elected Chairperson for the calendar year 2023 by decision 2/2023 adopted on December 10, 2022.
3. The CEO will chair the LDCF/SCCF Council meeting during agenda item 3, “Work Program for the Least Developed Countries Fund and Special Climate Change Fund”, agenda item 5, “Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund” and agenda item 9, “Joint Summary of the Co-Chairs”.
4. The Elected Chairperson will chair the LDCF/SCCF Council meeting during agenda item 2, “Adoption of the Agenda”, agenda item 4, “FY22 Annual Monitoring Review of the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund”, agenda item 6, “FY24 Administrative Budget and Business Plan for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund”, agenda item 7, Four-Year Work Program and Budget for the Independent Evaluation Office of the GEF under the LDCF and SCCF” and agenda item 8 “Other Business”.

Agenda Item 02

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.34/01.
6. The LDCF/SCCF Council is invited to adopt the agenda for the meeting.

Agenda Item 03

Work Program for the Least Developed Countries Fund and Special Climate Change Fund

(CEO Chairs)

7. *Work Program for the Least Developed Countries Fund and Special Climate Change Fund* has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.34/03. The document outlines key aspects of the proposed Work Program, including description of LDCF/SCCF projects, factors considered for project prioritization

and programming trends in the LDCF/SCCF resources relative to the distribution by countries, regions, and GEF Agencies. The Council is requested to approve the LDCF/SCCF Work Program for the total resources requested.

8. *Draft Decision: The Council, having considered document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.34/03, Work Program for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, approves the Work Program comprising of six projects, subject to comments made during the Council meeting and additional comments that may be submitted in writing to the Secretariat by July 27, 2023. Total resources approved in this Work Program amount to \$60.13 million from the LDCF and \$3.36 million from the SCCF, both 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.

Following previous Council decisions related to UNDP GEF Management, all projects included in the Work Program implemented by UNDP shall continue to be circulated by email for Council review at least four weeks prior to CEO endorsement/approval. Project reviews will take into consideration the relevant findings of UNDP external audits and 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 04

FY22 Annual Monitoring Review of the Least Developed Countries Fund and Special Climate Change Fund

(Elected Chairperson Chairs)

9. FY22 Annual Monitoring Review of the Least Developed Countries Fund and Special Climate Change Fund has been circulated to all Council Members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.34/04.
10. *Draft Decision: The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.34/04, FY22 Annual Monitoring Review of the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, welcomes the review and appreciates the progress made in reporting portfolio-level performance, results, and lessons learned under the LDCF and the SCCF. The Council welcomes the overall finding that the LDCF and SCCF portfolio under implementation in FY22 performed satisfactorily.*

Agenda Item 05.

Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund

(CEO chairs)

11. 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.34/05 and will be presented to Council for approval.
12. *Draft Decision: The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.34/05 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.

FY24 Administrative Budget and Business Plan for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund

(Elected Chairperson Chairs)

13. FY24 Administrative Budget for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund has been circulated to Council members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.34/06 and will be presented to Council for approval.
14. *Draft Decision: The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.34/06 FY24 Administrative Budget and Business Plan for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, approves the proposed budget for the GEF*

Secretariat, Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel (STAP), and the Trustee as follows:

- 1. \$3,775,598 (GEF Secretariat), \$133,000 (STAP), and \$502,000 (Trustee) from the Least Developed Countries Fund; and*
- 2. \$1,229,022 (GEF Secretariat), \$133,000 (STAP), and \$110,000 (Trustee) from the Special Climate Change Fund.*

Agenda Item 07

Four-Year Work Program and Budget for the Independent Evaluation Office of the GEF under the LDCF and SCCF (Elected Chairperson Chairs)

15. **Four-Year Work Program and Budget for the Independent Evaluation Office of the GEF under the LDCF and SCCF** has been circulated to the Council members as document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.34/E/01 and will be presented to Council for approval.
16. *Draft Decision: The Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.34/E/01, "Four-Year Work Program and Budget for the Independent Evaluation Office of the GEF under LDCF and SCCF," approves the annual budget of \$339,500 to carry out the work program for fiscal year 2024. The budget is in line with the term of the evaluation work that spans over multiple years. The approved budget is being distributed as follows:*
 - 1. \$204,400 from the Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF) and*
 - 2. \$135,100 from the Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF)*

Agenda Item 08.

Other business
(Elected Chairperson chairs)

17. Council Members and the Chairs may raise any other business under this agenda items.

Agenda Item 09

Joint Summary of the Co-Chairs (CEO chairs)

18. The CEO will present a joint summary of the decisions approved during the meeting.