



GEF/C.65/02
September 20, 2023

65th GEF Council Meeting
October 10, 2023
Virtual Meeting

Agenda Item 02

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Agenda Item 01.

Opening of the Meeting

1. The meeting will be opened by Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, CEO/Chairperson of the Facility.
2. Council will recall that Mr. Tom Bui, Council member for Canada, had been designated as Elected Chairperson for the calendar year 2023 by decision 02/2023 adopted on March 6, 2023.

Agenda Item 02.

Adoption of the Agenda

3. The Provisional Agenda has been issued as document GEF/C.65/01, for consideration by the Council.
4. Additional items to be included in the agenda can be requested at this moment and will be brought up under Agenda Item 06: Other Business.
5. The Council is invited to adopt the agenda for the meeting.

Agenda Item 03.

Global Environment Facility Strategy for Knowledge Management and Learning

6. Document GEF/C.65/03, *Global Environment Facility Strategy for Knowledge Management and Learning*, presents for Council consideration the Knowledge Management and Learning (KM&L) Strategy for the GEF Partnership. The Strategy provides an overall vision and roadmap of actions on KM&L to support and amplify impact of GEF programming on the global environment. This strategy is a culmination of the collective effort by the GEF partnership to foster a systematic and coordinated approach to KM&L.
7. Draft Decision: *The Council, having reviewed document GEF/C.65/03, Global Environment Facility Strategy for Knowledge Management and Learning, approves the strategic directions proposed for knowledge management and learning, and encourages the GEF Secretariat to engage with Agencies and STAP in facilitating implementation of the Strategy.*

Agenda Item 04.

Enhancing Policy Coherence through GEF Operations

8. Document GEF/C.65/04, *Enhancing Policy Coherence through GEF Operations*, presents a roadmap to develop options to enhance the policy coherence through GEF operations, as appropriate, to increase the efficiency of global environmental benefit production.
9. Draft decision: *The Council, having considered document GEF/C.65/04, Enhancing Policy Coherence through GEF Operations, endorses the outlined approach and requests the GEF Secretariat to work along the outlined action areas.*

Agenda Item 05.

Relations with the Conventions and Other International Institutions

10. Document GEF/C.65/05, *Relations with the Conventions and Other International Institutions*, provides an update on the activities of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) in support of the following multilateral environmental agreements (MEAs): the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD), the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (the Stockholm Convention), the Minamata Convention on Mercury, and the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (the Montreal Protocol). Covering the period from November 1, 2022, to March 31, 2023, the document also provides information on relations between the GEF Secretariat and other international conventions, institutions, and fora.
11. Draft decision: *The Council, having considered document GEF/C.65/05, Relations with the Conventions and Other International Institutions, welcomes the report and requests the GEF network to continue to work with recipient countries to reflect the guidance and national priorities in their GEF programming and activities.*

Agenda Item 06.

Other Business

12. Members and the Chairs may raise other business under this agenda item.
13. The dates, venue and modality for the Council meetings in 2024 will be discussed at this time.

Agenda Item 07.

Joint Summary of the Co-Chairs

14. The CEO/Chairperson will present a summary of the decisions approved during the meeting.