Using the GEF to achieve transformation
4 mechanisms support transformation

- **Removal of binding constraints/barriers**: towards achieving an objective/innovation
- **Use of cross sectoral approaches**: Key to addressing multiple issues/(achieving depth to transformation)
- **Scaling up**: Scaling up is needed to achieve impact
- **Behavioral change**: Created through combination of incentivizes, regulation, use of market forces and information flow (sustain transformation)
What else may be required to support transformation?

• **Enabling environment and political economy:** Need to address difficult issues in the political economy to push through reforms

• **Upstream analytics,** strong design and implementation is essential

• **Sustained and continuous engagement** needed

• **Innovative approaches:** need to scale innovation correctly and use adaptive practices to reduce risks
What do we find this means for GEF Agencies and yourselves

• Use **rigorous diagnostics** to identify binding constraints
• **Design the program** around the most binding constraints
• Agencies should focus on addressing the binding constraints/barriers where they have a **comparative advantage**
• **Build on mechanisms which support transformation**
• **Build broad coalitions** with key beneficiaries/stakeholders
• **Stay the course:** Continue longer term program support as needed
About complexity of interventions...

- Reduce potential complexity by selecting and sequencing interventions to address binding constraints/barriers
Exercise: How would you go about using the GEF to support transformation?

Pick a large issue from last years ECW to form your mock project and in your small group do the following:

• Decide the key objective and the GEF focal areas you will address
• Barriers: what are the key barriers you need to address?
• You have limited STAR resources. The GEF Partnership comprises multiple partners – which GEF agencies do you intend to engage to support you and why?
• Are any key changes needed in the GEF to enable you to implement your transformative program?
• Report back in xx minutes – 3 minutes report