

**Agenda – GEF Expanded Constituency Workshop (ECW)
17-19 March 2015 – Hilton Colombo
Colombo, Sri Lanka**

Day 1 – Tuesday, 17 March 2015	
09:00 – 09:10	Opening Remarks
09:10 – 09:40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshop Objectives, Agenda, Materials and Resources
09:40 – 10:15	<p>GEF-6: a new way of doing business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History and Structure of the GEF • GEF 2020 - New initiatives and directions <p>Q&A</p>
10:15 – 11:00	<p>GEF-6 Policies and Operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Cycle, Accessing the GEF • STAR, Co-financing, Cancellation • CSP • Gender <p>Q&A</p>
11:00 – 11:15	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
11:15 – 13:00	<p>GEF Programs: Focal Area and Cross Cutting Strategies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity, Land Degradation, Sustainable Forest Management, International Waters, Climate Change, Chemicals and Waste, LDCF/SCCF, Capacity Development.
13:00 – 14:30	LUNCH
14:30 – 15:45	<p>Project Design Exercise: Case Studies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using a set of cards containing the focal area objectives, programs, targets, outcomes, indicators, stakeholders, GEB, and preparation activities, teams will choose a case study to visually develop the building blocks of projects from an integrated perspective.
15:45 – 16:00	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
16:00 – 17:30	Project Design Exercise: Case Study (Continuation)
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Day 2 – Wednesday, 18 March 2015	
09:00 – 10:30	Independent Evaluation Office (IEO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring and Evaluation Policy – Practical Exercise on Project Terminal Evaluation
10:30 – 10:45	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
10:45 – 12:00	Private Sector Strategy and Non-Grant Instruments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practical Exercise
12:00 – 13:15	GEF SGP; GEF & Civil Society <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GEF Small Grants Programme (SGP) Introduction to the new guidelines presented at 47th GEF Council, October 2014 Summary and discussion of the results of the CSO's meeting
13:15 – 14:30	LUNCH
14:30 – 15:15	My Experience as GEF Operational Focal Point <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The host country's OFP will make a presentation about his personal experience and lessons learned while working as OFP for the GEF, talking about challenges, opportunities, suggestions, best practices and ideas to be put forward. Other OFPs are requested to state in less than 5 minutes how they organize their work as OFPs, what challenges they face and what could be done by those present (i.e. other focal points, GEF Secretariat, Agencies and civil society) to facilitate their work. All Participants will be encouraged to react and provide other perspectives, enriching the contrast between different experiences and lessons amongst them. <p>Q&A</p>
15:15 – 15:30	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
15:30 – 17:00	Programming Exercise: Country Cases <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The aim of this exercise is to understand the complexity of setting and choosing priorities. The exercise aims to be as realistic as possible and that is why OFPs or their representatives have been asked to bring the current list of projects being considered as a basis for this exercise. The results of these discussions are simply for the purposes of the exercise and in no way do they commit any delegation. Country teams will discuss and present the 1-2 top priority project ideas for GEF6 and explain why they have been chosen. Those who have not brought the list will be given instructions on how to participate at the time of the exercise. <p>Q&A</p>



Day 3 – Thursday, 19 March 2015

8:00 – 13:30	Site Visit 1: Kodigahakanda Community Center GEF SGP Grantee: Mihithala Mithuro Foundation Activities: Option 1: Eco Adventure Park in Kodigahakanda Forest Reserve Option 2: Trekking on the nature trail of the Kodigahakanda Forest Reserve Option 3: Village Tour Option 4: Cultural events and exhibition at the Centre
13:30-14:45	LUNCH
14:45	Optional return to hotel
14:45-19:30	Site Visit 2: Gallenakanda Raja Maha Vihara GEF/SGP Grantee (in Pilot Phase-1995): Gallena Vihara Parisara Padanama Activities: Temple tour and a visit to the rehabilitated forest.