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WHAT IS THE GEF?

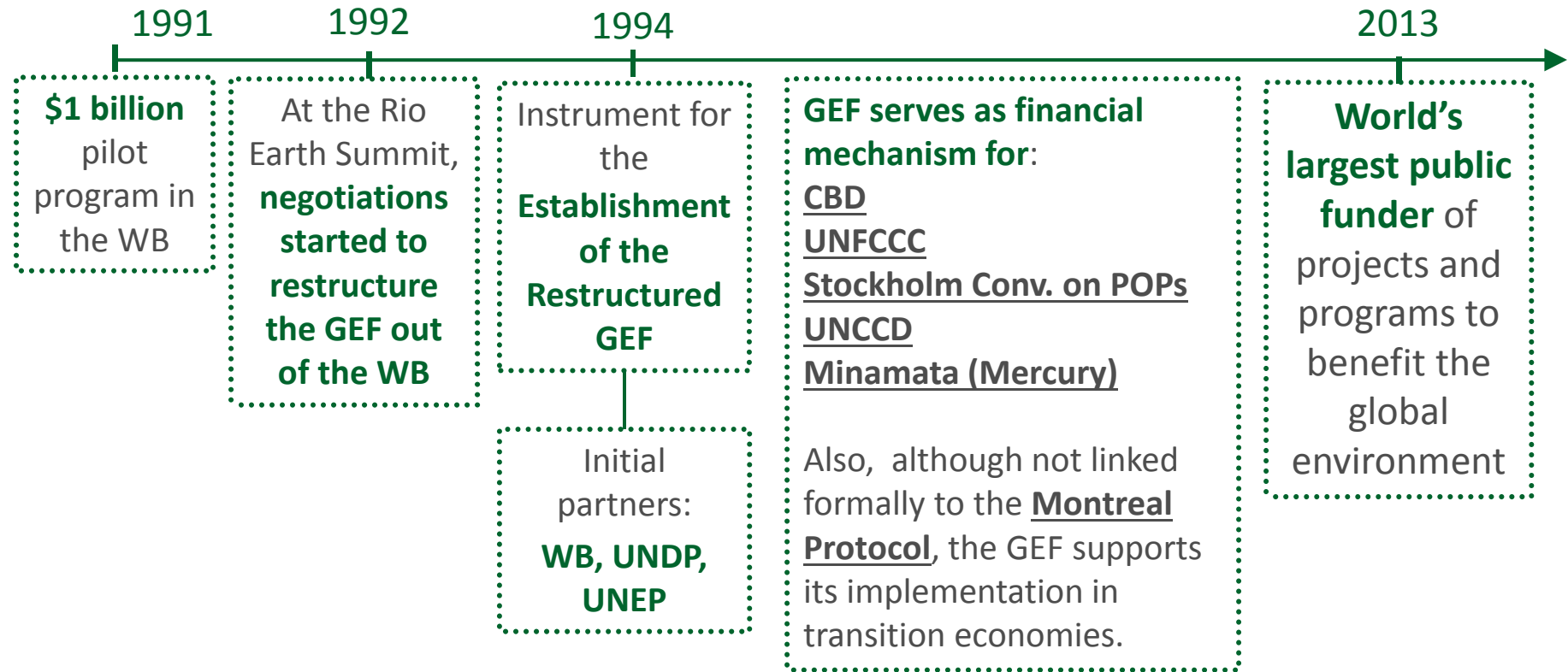
History and Structure

GEF Expanded Constituency Workshop

Freeport, Bahamas

May 5-7, 2015

History of the GEF



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GEF Goal and Mission

Goal: to address global environmental issues while supporting national sustainable development initiatives.

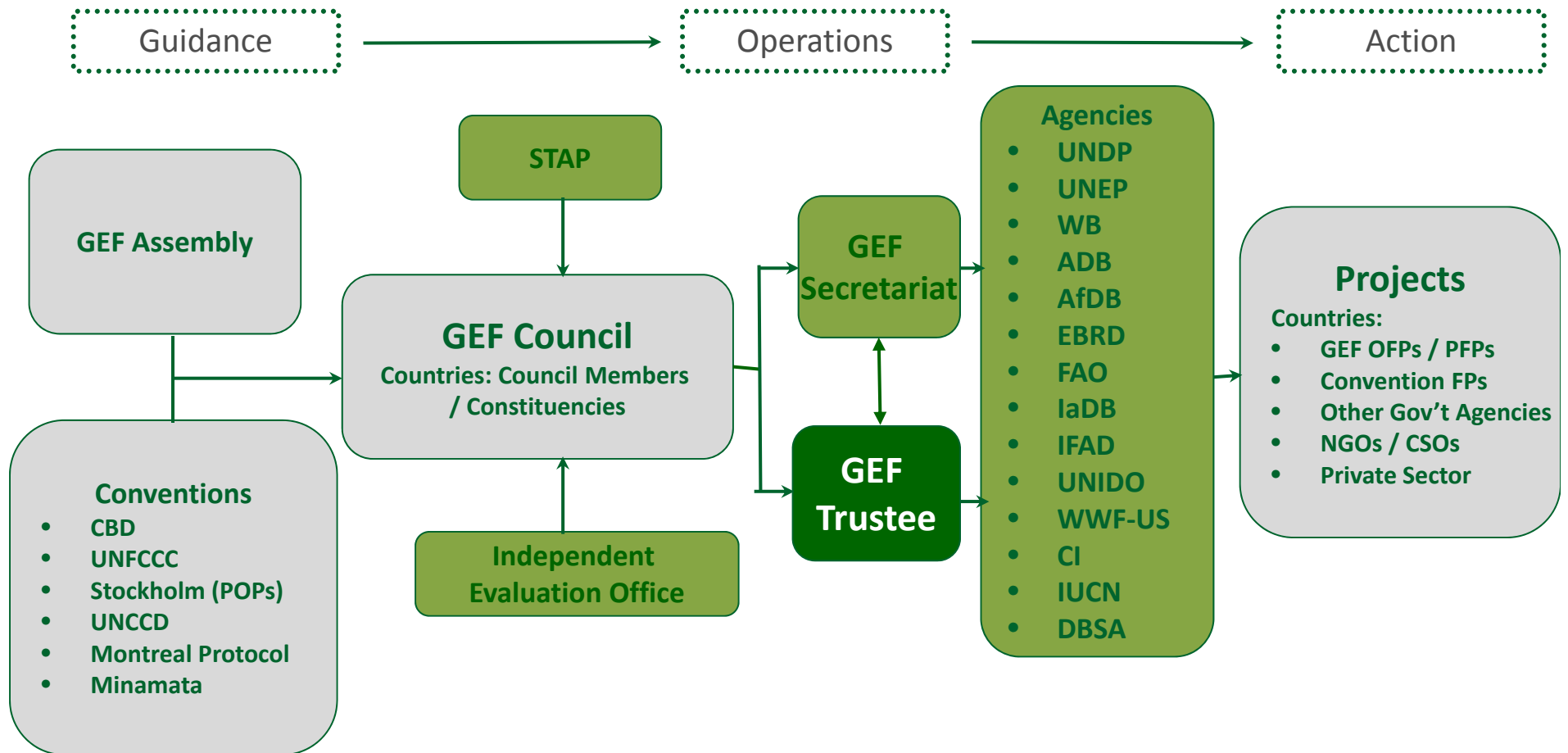
Mission: the GEF is a mechanism for international cooperation for the purpose of providing new, and additional, grant and concessional funding to meet the agreed incremental costs of measure to achieve agreed global environmental benefits.



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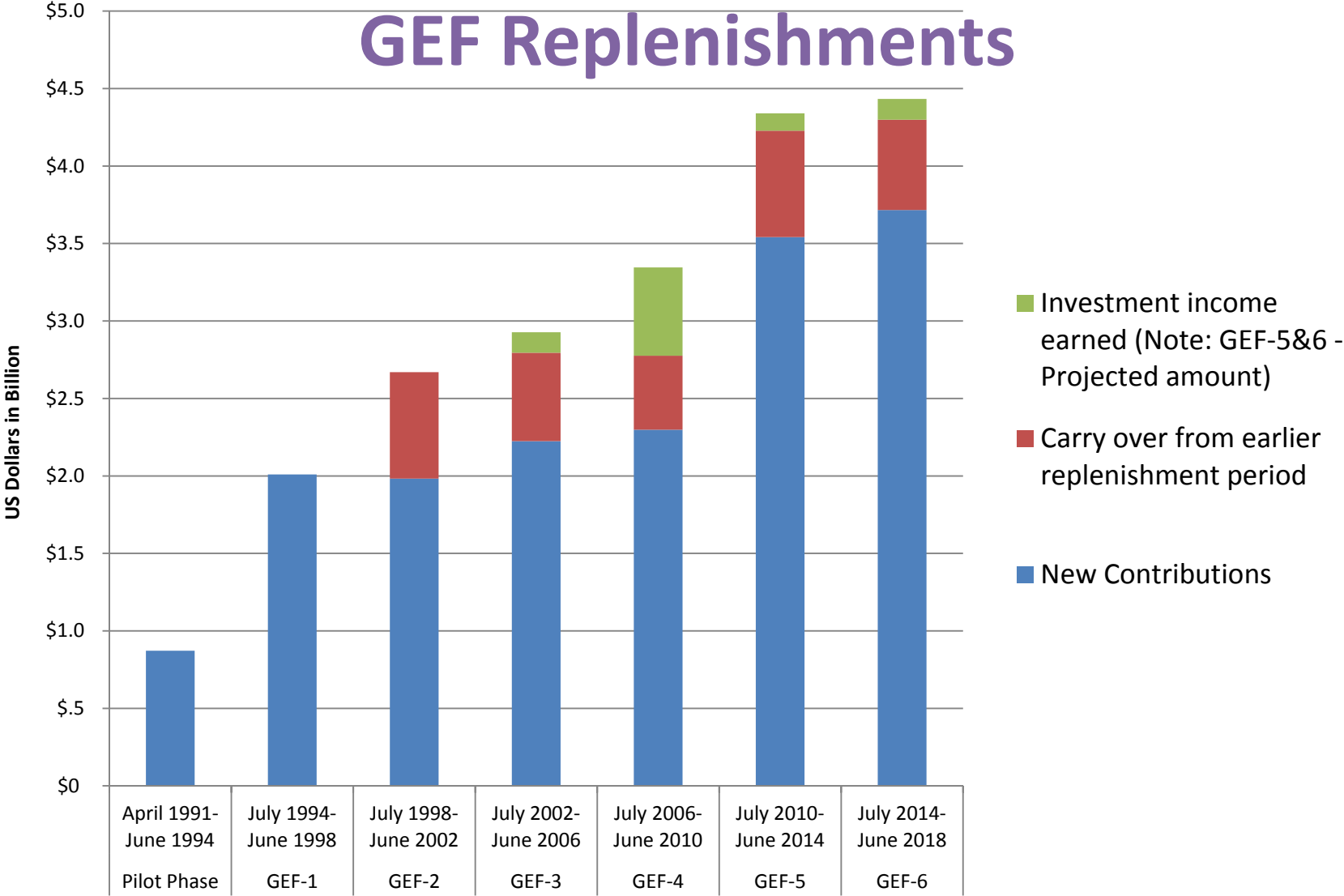
GEF Trust Fund

Institutional Framework



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GEF Replenishments



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Focal Areas/ Themes	GEF-6 Programming Targets (\$ million)
BIODIVERSITY	1,296
<i>STAR Country Allocations</i>	1,051
<i>STAR Set-aside</i>	245
- Convention obligations	13
- Global and Regional Programs	82
*Integrated Approach Programs	45
a) Taking Deforestation out of the Commodities Supply Chain	35
b) Fostering Sustainability and Resilience of Production Systems in Africa	10
* Other Global and Regional Programs	37
- Sustainable Forest Management	150

CLIMATE CHANGE	1,260
<i>STAR Country Allocations</i>	941
<i>STAR Set-aside</i>	319
- Convention obligations	130
- Global and Regional Programs	109
*Integrated Approach Programs	50
a) Sustainable Cities - Harnessing Local Action for Global Commons	40
b) Fostering Sustainability and Resilience of Production Systems in Africa	10
*Other Global and Regional Programs	59
- Sustainable Forest Management	80
LAND DEGRADATION	431
<i>STAR Country Allocations</i>	346
<i>STAR Set-aside</i>	85
- Convention obligations	15
- Global and Regional Programs	50
* Integrated Approach Programs	40
a) Fostering Sustainability and Resilience of Production Systems in Africa	40
* Other Global and Regional Programs	10
- Sustainable Forest Management	20



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CHEMICALS & WASTE	554
<i>Convention breakdown</i>	554
- POPs	375
- Mercury	141
- SAICM	13
- ODS	25
INTERNATIONAL WATERS	456
<i>Focal Area Programing</i>	456
Non Grant Instrument Pilot	115
- <i>Sustainable Cities Integrated Approach Program</i>	5
- <i>Other non grant instruments</i>	110
CORPORATE PROGRAMS	197
Country Support Program (CSP)	23
Cross Cutting Capacity Development (CCCD)	34
Small Grants Program	140
Corporate budget: Secretariat, STAP and Trustee	106
Independent Evaluation Office	19
TOTAL GEF Replenishment	4,433



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Implementing GEF-6: Use of funds (recipient countries)

COUNTRIES		GEF6 Allocations (US\$mill)	Share
SIDS/LDCs		700	30%
"Big 5"		631	27%
Other Countries		1007	43%
... Of which	<i>LICs</i>	41	2%
	<i>LMICs</i>	412	18%
	<i>UMICs</i>	523	22%
	<i>HICs</i>	32	1%
TOTAL Country Allocations		2338	100%

=> Trade-off: "Impact" vs "equity"?



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Relations with the Conventions Secretariats (1)

- The GEF serves as a financial mechanism to five conventions.
- The Memorandum of Understanding is the means through which the Conventions and the GEF cooperate.
- The conventions, for which the GEF serve as financial mechanism, provide broad strategic guidance to the GEF
- The GEF Council responds to this broad guidance by developing operational criteria for GEF projects



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Relations with the Convention Secretariats (2)

- The Secretariat of the Conventions and the GEF Secretariat consult as necessary in the guidance that the COPs provide
- In particular, in accordance with the GEF project cycle, the Secretariat of the Conventions are invited to comment on the project proposals under consideration for inclusion in a proposed work programme.
- The GEF Secretariat prepares a report on GEF activities to be presented on each COP on a regular basis. This report is previously reviewed and approved by the Council



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LDCF and SCCF – Climate Change Adaptation

- Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF) and Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF) -> established in 2001 under UNFCCC COP
- First multilateral funds to implement concrete adaptation actions on developing countries
- LDCF and SCCF provided vulnerable countries and communities initial resources to finance a pioneering adaptation portfolio.
- Managed and administered independently from the GEF Trust Fund



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Thank you for your attention!

Questions?

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