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A weekly update on the GEF Program Management

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GEF Council Consultations with Civil Society	Oct 19	June 6
GEF Council Meeting	Oct 20 -22	June 7 -9
LDCF/SCCF Council Meeting	Oct 22	June 9
GEFCSO Forum		
STAP Panel Meetings	Oct 19	June 6

Council Work Program for October 2015

Events	Dates
Receipt deadline for new PIF proposals for possible inclusion in the WP	July 31
Deadline for Technical Clearances from PMs Deadline for GEFOBS Clearances	August 14 August 17
GEFSEC Constitutes WP (Tentative)	August 24
Draft Cover Note to GEFOP	September 2
GEFOP Meeting	September 10
Posting of Work Program	September 14
Council Meeting	October 20-22
Council Approval	October 22
Compilation of Council Comments	November 5

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Expanded Constituency Workshops

February 17-19

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March 3-5

Mesoamerica + Venezuela: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Venezuela

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March 17-19

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Colombo, Sri Lanka

April 14-16

South America: Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay + Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador

Asuncion, Paraguay

April 21-23

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Cabo Verde (location TBD)

May 19-21

Central Africa: Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Congo, Congo DR, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Sao Tome and Principe

Libreville, Gabon

June 23-25

Eastern Europe: Albania, Bulgaria, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Georgia, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Ukraine.

Tbilisi, Georgia

National Dialogues

February 10-12

Indonesia

Jakarta

February 12-13

Turkey

Afyon

Requests Received from GEF Agencies

June 22 - 26, 2015

GEF ID	IA ID	Type	Focal Area	Decision Sought	Proponent	Country	Project Title	Program Manager	Date Received
FAO									
9166		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	FAO	Chad	Strengthening agro-ecosystems' adaptive capacity to climate change in the Lake Chad Basin (Lac, Kanem, Bahr El Ghazal, and part of the Hadjer-Lamis region)	Knut Sundstrom	22-Jun-15
5798		MSP	Land Degradation	CEO MSP Approval	FAO	Regional (Algeria, Morocco, Mauritania, Tunisia)	Adaptive Management and Monitoring of the Maghreb's Oases Systems	Jean-Marc Sinnassamy	23-Jun-15

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UNDP									
9165	4736	FP	International Waters	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Regional (Egypt, Libya, Sudan, Chad)	Enabling implementation of the Regional SAP for the rational and equitable management of the Nubian Sandstone Aquifer System (NSAS).	Astrid Hillers	22-Jun-15
9167	5531	FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Mexico	Sixth Operational Phase of the GEF Small Grants Programme in Mexico	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	23-Jun-15
9169	5206	EA	Climate Change	CEO EA Approval	UNDP	Sri Lanka	Preparation of Sri Lanka's Third National Communication (TNC) to the UNFCCC	Ogawa Masako	24-Jun-15
9151		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Bosnia-Herzegovina	Catalyzing Environmental Finance for Low-Carbon Urban Development	Ming Yang	25-Jun-15
9151		FP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	UNDP	Bosnia-Herzegovina	Catalyzing Environmental Finance for Low-Carbon Urban Development	Ming Yang	25-Jun-15
9170	5661	EA	Chemicals and Waste	CEO EA Approval	UNDP	India	Improve Mercury Management in India	Anil Sookdeo	25-Jun-15

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UNEP									
4905		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP	Cambodia	Strengthening National Biodiversity and Forest Carbon Stock Conservation through Landscape-based Collaborative Management of Cambodia's Protected Area System as Demonstrated in the Mondulkiri Conservation Landscape (CAMPAS Project)	Ulrich Apel	15-May-15
5483		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO MSP Approval	UNEP	Armenia	Enhancing Livelihoods in Rural Communities through Mainstreaming and Strengthening Agricultural Biodiversity Conservation and Utilization	Ulrich Apel	25-May-15
5880		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO MSP Approval	UNEP	Global (Bolivia, Brazil, Botswana, Belize, Cote d'Ivoire, Cameroon, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, Jamaica, Kenya, Madagascar, Mauritania, Malawi, Mexico, Mozambique, Panama, Peru, Paraguay, Suriname, El Salvador, Tanzania, Uganda, South Africa)	Knowledge for Action: Promoting Innovation Among Environmental Funds	Yoko Watanabe	8-Jun-15

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5775		MSP	Land Degradation	CEO MSP Approval	UNEP	Global (Ethiopia, Indonesia, India, Kenya, Niger)	Building the Foundation for Forest Landscape Restoration at Scale	Mohamed Bakarr	22-Jun-15
5194		FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP	Rwanda	Building Resilience of Communities Living in Degraded Forests, Savannahs and Wetlands of Rwanda Through an Ecosystem Management Approach	Knut Sundstrom	22-Jun-15
5392		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO MSP Approval	UNEP	Iraq	Initial Steps for the Establishment of the National Protected Areas Network	Jaime Cavelier	23-Jun-15
9171		EA	Climate Change	CEO EA Approval	UNEP	Ghana	Enabling preparation of Ghana's Fourth National Communication (NC4) and Second Biennial Update Report (BUR2) to UNFCCC	Knut Sundstrom	25-Jun-15
5150		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP	Chile	Delivering the Transition to Energy Efficient Lighting	David Elrie Rodgers	25-Jun-15
9069		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNEP	Brazil	Technology Needs Assessment	Ogawa Masako	25-Jun-15
9172		EA	Chemicals and Waste	CEO EA Approval	UNEP	Cameroon	Development of Minamata Initial Assessment in Cameroon	Dustin Schinn	26-Jun-15
9173		EA	Chemicals and Waste	CEO EA Approval	UNEP	Regional (Burundi, Central African Republic, Cote d'Ivoire, Gabon, Congo DR)	Development of Minamata Convention Mercury Initial Assessment in Africa	Ibrahima Sow	26-Jun-15

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<u>UNIDO</u>									
9168		EA	Chemicals and Waste	CEO EA Approval	UNIDO	Chad	Enabling Activities to Review and Update the National Implementation Plan for the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)	Ibrahima Sow	17-Jun-15
9164		EA	Chemicals and Waste	CEO EA Approval	UNIDO	Gabon	National Action Plan on Mercury in the Artisanal and Small-Scale Gold Mining sector in Gabon	Dustin Schinn	19-Jun-15
9056		MSP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNIDO	Burundi	Promotion of Small Hydro Power (SHP) for Productive Use and Energy Services	Ming Yang	25-Jun-15
9056		MSP	Climate Change	CEO MSP Approval	UNIDO	Burundi	Promotion of Small Hydro Power (SHP) for Productive Use and Energy Services	Ming Yang	25-Jun-15
<u>World Bank</u>									
4651	122383	FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	World Bank	China	A Landscape Approach to Wildlife Conservation in Northeastern China	Yoko Watanabe	24-Jun-15

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CI										
5751		MSP	Climate Change	CEO MSP Approval	CI	Mexico	Maintaining and Increasing Carbon Stocks in Agro-silvopastoral Systems in Rural Communities of the Selva El Ocote Biosphere Reserve as a Climate Change Mitigation strategy (Chiapas, Mexico)	Milena Vasquez	22-Jun-15	MSP sent to Agency for revision
5771		MSP	International Waters	CEO MSP Approval	CI	Regional (Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Panama)	Improving Mangrove Conservation across the Eastern Tropical Pacific Seascape (ETPS) through Coordinated Regional and National Strategy Development and Implementation	Leah Karrer	25-Jun-15	MSP sent to Agency for revision
FAO										
4632		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	FAO	China	Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Land Management in the Soda Saline-alkaline Wetlands Agro Pastoral Landscapes in the Western Area of the Jilin Province	Ulrich Apel	23-Jun-15	FSP endorsed by CEO
UNDP										
5280	4965	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Congo DR	Resilience of Muanda's Communities from Coastal Erosion, Democratic Republic of Congo	Rawleston Moore	18-May-15	FSP endorsed by CEO

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6931	5475	FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Global	GEF Small Grants Programme - Sixth Operational Phase (Part I)	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	30-May-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision
5566	4964	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Senegal	Strengthening Land & Ecosystem Management Under Conditions of Climate Change in the Niayes and Casamance regions- Republic of Senegal	Knut Sundstrom	17-Jun-15	FSP endorsed by CEO
5353	4416	FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Armenia	Mainstreaming Sustainable Land and Forest Management in Dry Mountain Landscapes	Ulrich Apel	18-Jun-15	FSP endorsed by CEO
5653	530	MSP	Biodiversity	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Vietnam	Capacity Building for the Ratification and Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing	Yoko Watanabe	22-Jun-15	MSP sent to Agency for revision
9114	522	MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Approval	UNDP	Serbia	Capacity Development for Improved Implementation of Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs)	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	22-Jun-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PIF revision (Review sheet sent to agency)
5638	530	MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Albania	Establishing Albania's Environmental Information Management and Monitoring System Aligned with the Global Environmental Reporting	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	23-Jun-15	MSP approved by CEO (CEO Approval letter sent to Agency)
5715	530	MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Kyrgyz Republic	Strengthening of Institutional and Legal Capacities to Enable Improvement of the National Monitoring System and Management of Environmental Information	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	23-Jun-15	MSP approved by CEO

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5440	4644	FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Ethiopia	Mainstreaming Incentives for Biodiversity Conservation in the Climate Resilient Green Economy Strategy (CRGE)	Jaime Cavalier	23-Jun-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision
5808	531	MSP	Biodiversity	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Algeria	Developing a National Strategy and Legal and Institutional Framework on Access to Genetic Resources and Related Benefit Sharing and Traditional Knowledge in Line with the CBD and Its Nagoya Protocol in Algeria	Jaime Cavalier	23-Jun-15	MSP recommended for CEO approval (Cover Memo Completed)
5518	4588	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Serbia	Removing Barriers to Promote and Support Energy Management Information Systems in Municipalities (EMIS) throughout Serbia	Ming Yang	23-Jun-15	FSP endorsed by CEO
5847	537	MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Trinidad and Tobago	Capacity Development for Improved Management of Multilateral Environmental Agreements for Global Environmental Benefits	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	25-Jun-15	MSP approved by CEO (CEO Approval letter sent to Agency)

UNEP

5272		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP	Kenya	Scaling up Sustainable Land Management and Agrobiodiversity Conservation to Reduce Environmental Degradation in Small Scale Agriculture in Western Kenya	Jean-Marc Sinnassamy	22-Jun-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision
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6925		FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP	Global (Afghanistan, Antigua And Barbuda, Angola, Burkina Faso, Bahrain, Bhutan, Dominica, Eritrea, Fiji, Gambia, Guinea, Equatorial Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Cambodia, Kiribati, Comoros, Lao PDR, St. Lucia, Liberia, Lesotho, Madagascar, Mali, Myanmar, Mauritius, Maldives, Malawi, Mozambique, Rwanda, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Senegal, Somalia, South Sudan, Sao Tome and Principe, Uganda, Zambia, Congo DR)	Umbrella Programme for Biennial Update Report to the United National Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)	Rawleston Moore	24-Jun-15	FSP endorsed by CEO
5775		MSP	Land Degradation	CEO MSP Approval	UNEP	Global (Ethiopia, Indonesia, India, Kenya, Niger)	Building the Foundation for Forest Landscape Restoration at Scale	Mohamed Bakarr	24-Jun-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for MSP revision
UNIDO										
9056		MSP	Climate Change	CEO MSP Approval	UNIDO	Burundi	Promotion of Small Hydro Power (SHP) for Productive Use and Energy Services	Ming Yang	25-Jun-15	MSP pending GEF Sec approval

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<u>World Bank</u>										
5362	131778	FP	POPs	CEO endorsement of FSP	World Bank	Cote d'Ivoire	Obsolete Pesticides Management Project	Ibrahima Sow	22-Jun-15	FSP endorsed by CEO