



PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

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A weekly update on the GEF Program Management

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Uruguay		Burundi	Tajikistan			
Argentina		Central African Republic	Turkey			
Bolivia		Comoros	Turkmenistan			
Chile		Ethiopia	Ukraine			
Colombia		Eriteria	Uzbekistan			
Ecuador		Kenya				
Peru		Lesotho				
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GEF Council Meeting	May 26 - 27	October 28 - 30	June 2 - 4
LDCF/SCCF Council Meeting	May 27	October 30	June 4
GEF CSO Forum	May 27		
GEF Assembly	May 28 – 30		

March 2014 Intersessional Work Program

Events	March IWP
Receipt deadline for new PIF proposals for possible inclusion in the WP	January 10
Deadline for Technical Clearances from PMs/ Deadline for GEFOBS Clearances	January 24
GEFSEC Constitutes WP (Tentative)	February 3
Draft Cover Note to GEFOP	February 14
GEFOP Meeting	February 20
Posting of Work Program	February 24
Council Approval	March 17
Compilation of Council Comments	March 17

Council Work Program for May 2014 (Cancun, Mexico)

Events	May CWP
Receipt deadline for new PIF proposals for possible inclusion in the WP	March 7
Deadline for Technical Clearances from PMs/ Deadline for GEFOBS Clearances	March 21
GEFSEC Constitutes WP (Tentative)	March 31
Draft Cover Note to GEFOP	April 11
GEFOP Meeting	April 17
Posting of Work Program	April 21
Receipt of Initial Council Comments	May 16
Council Meeting	May 26 - 27
Assembly Meeting	May 28 -30
Council Approval	May 27
Compilation of Council Comments	June 10 - 13

✚ Kindly find attached below the link to the **Compilation of Council Comments** for :

(a) **The November 2013 Work Program.**

<https://www.thegef.org/gef/node/10136>

(b) **The LDCF/SCCF Work Program**

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Requests Received from GEF Agencies

January 6 - 10, 2014

GEF ID	IA ID	Type	Focal Area	Decision Sought	Proponent	Country	Project Title	Program Manager	Date Received
<u>ADB</u>									
5627		FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	ADB	China	ASTUD: PRC Clean Bus Leasing	Hiroaki Takiguchi	10-Jan-14
<u>AfDB</u>									
5674		FP	International Waters	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	AfDB	Regional (Uganda, Congo DR)	Lakes Edward and Albert Integrated Fisheries and Water Resources Management Project	Astrid Hillers	10-Jan-14
<u>CI</u>									
5668		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	CI	Paraguay	Innovative Use of a Voluntary Payment for Environmental Services Scheme to Avoid and Reduce GHG Emissions and Enhance Carbon Stocks in the Highly Threatened Dry Chaco Forest Complex in Western Paraguay	Junu Shrestha	7-Jan-14

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FAO									
5516		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	FAO	Mozambique	Payment for Ecosystem Services to Support Forest Conservation and Sustainable Livelihoods	Jaime Cavelier	6-Jan-14
5657		FP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	FAO	Turkey	Conservation and Sustainable Management of the Steppe Ecosystems	Jaime Cavelier	10-Jan-14
5657		FP	Biodiversity	CEO PPG approval	FAO	Turkey	Conservation and Sustainable Management of the Steppe Ecosystems	Jaime Cavelier	10-Jan-14
5677		MSP	Land Degradation	CEO PIF Approval	FAO	Sri Lanka	Rehabilitation of Degraded Agricultural Lands in Kandy, Badulla and Nuwara Eliya Districts of the Central Highlands (CH)	Ulrich Apel	10-Jan-14
5677		MSP	Land Degradation	CEO PPG approval	FAO	Sri Lanka	Rehabilitation of Degraded Agricultural Lands in Kandy, Badulla and Nuwara Eliya Districts of the Central Highlands (CH)	Ulrich Apel	10-Jan-14
5610		MSP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Approval	FAO	Afghanistan	Reducing GHG emissions through community forests and sustainable biomass energy	Junu Shrestha	10-Jan-14

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IADB									
4861		FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	IADB	Argentina	Introduction of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Measures in Design, Construction and Operation of Social Housing and Community Equipment	Chizuru Aoki	8-Jan-14
5458		MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Approval	IADB	Peru	Conservation, Management and Restoration of Fragile Lomas Ecosystems	Mark Zimsky	10-Jan-14
5458		MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PPG approval	IADB	Peru	Conservation, Management and Restoration of Fragile Lomas Ecosystems	Mark Zimsky	10-Jan-14
5676		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	IADB	Venezuela	Promotion and Development of Renewable Energies through the Set-up of Mini-hydro Plants in Rural Communities Located in the Region of The Andes and the Southern area of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela	Ming Yang	10-Jan-14

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UNDP									
5671	5330	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Timor Leste	Building shoreline resilience of Timor Leste to protect local communities and their livelihoods	Fareeha Iqbal	6-Jan-14
4343	4552	FP	International Waters	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Regional (China)	EAS: Implementation of the Yellow Sea LME Strategic Action Programme for Adaptive Ecosystem-Based Management	Christian Severin	7-Jan-14
5669	5120	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	China	Enabling Solid State Lighting Market Transformation & Promotion of Light Emitting Diode (LED) Lighting	Ming Yang	7-Jan-14
4827		FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Kenya	Enhancing Wildlife Conservation in the Productive Southern Kenya Rangelands through a Landscape Approach Kenya	Jaime Cavalier	7-Jan-14
4939	4577	FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Chile	Supporting Civil Society Initiatives to Generate Global Environmental Benefits using Grants and Micro Loans in the Mediterranean Ecoregion	Mark Zimsky	8-Jan-14
5673	5324	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Sudan	Promoting the Use of Electric Water Pumps for Irrigation	Franck Jesus	9-Jan-14
4517	4382	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Serbia	Reducing Barriers to Accelerate the Development of Biomass Markets in Serbia	Franck Jesus	10-Jan-14

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5535		FP	International Waters	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP, UNEP	Regional (Burkina Faso, Benin, Cote d'Ivoire, Cameroon, Algeria, Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Chad)	Improving IWRM, Knowledge-based Management and Governance of the Niger Basin and the Iullemeden-Taoudeni/Tanezrouft Aquifer System (ITTAS)	Astrid Hillers	10-Jan-14
5675	5329	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Algeria	Integrated municipal management model of household and similar waste with low greenhouse gas emissions	Franck Jesus	10-Jan-14
5655	5051	MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Approval	UNDP	Vanuatu	Mainstreaming global environmental priorities into national policies and programmes	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	10-Jan-14
5679	5325	FP	International Waters	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Regional (Azerbaijan, Georgia)	Advancing IWRM across the Kura Aras river basin through implementation of the transboundary agreed actions and national plans	Christian Severin	10-Jan-14
5679	5325	FP	International Waters	CEO PPG approval	UNDP	Regional (Azerbaijan, Georgia)	Advancing IWRM across the Kura Aras river basin through implementation of the transboundary agreed actions and national plans	Christian Severin	10-Jan-14
5653	5303	MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Approval	UNDP	Vietnam	Capacity Building for the Ratification and Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing	Yoko Watanabe	13-Jan-14
5653	5303	MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PPG approval	UNDP	Vietnam	Capacity Building for the Ratification and Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing	Yoko Watanabe	13-Jan-14

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UNEP									
5612		EA	Multi Focal Area	CEO EA Approval	UNEP	Iraq	National Capacity Needs Self-Assessment for Global Environment Management - Iraq	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	28-Dec-13
5595		MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Approval	UNEP	St. Vincent and Grenadines	Monitoring and assessment of MEA implementation and environmental trends in St Vincent and the Grenadines	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	6-Jan-14
5672		EA	Climate Change	CEO EA Approval	UNEP	Vietnam	Preparation of Viet Nam's Initial Biennial Update Report to UNFCCC	Rawleston Moore	7-Jan-14
5535		FP	International Waters	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP, UNEP	Regional (Burkina Faso, Benin, Cote d'Ivoire, Cameroon, Algeria, Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Chad)	Improving IWRM, Knowledge-based Management and Governance of the Niger Basin and the Iullemeden-Taoudeni/Tanezrouft Aquifer System (ITTAS)	Astrid Hillers	10-Jan-14
5640		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Approval	UNEP	Malawi	Enhancing sustainability of Protected Area systems and stabilizing agro-production in adjoining areas through improved IAS management	Jaime Cavelier	10-Jan-14
5678		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNEP	Regional (United Arab Emirates, Iraq, Iran, Jordan, Kuwait, Syria, Turkey)	Strategic Partnership Alliance to Enhance Ecosystem Management and Resilience Along the Dust Storms Corridor in West Asia	Ulrich Apel	10-Jan-14
5678		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PPG approval	UNEP	Regional (United Arab Emirates, Iraq, Iran, Jordan, Kuwait, Syria, Turkey)	Strategic Partnership Alliance to Enhance Ecosystem Management and Resilience Along the Dust Storms Corridor in West Asia	Ulrich Apel	10-Jan-14

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<u>World Bank</u>									
5658	116974	EA	Climate Change	CEO EA Approval	World Bank	Argentina	Argentine Republic First Biennial Update Report (BUR)	Rawleston Moore	2-Jan-14
5670	116974	EA	Climate Change	CEO EA Approval	World Bank	Argentina	Argentine Republic First Biennial Update Report (BUR)	Rawleston Moore	8-Jan-14

Responses to Proponents

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AfDB										
5495		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	AfDB	Rwanda	Increasing the Capacity of Vulnerable Rwandan Communities to Adapt to Adverse Effects of Climate Change: Livelihood Diversification and Investment in Rural Infrastructures	Knut Sundstrom	8-Jan-14	PIF recommended for CEO clearance
FAO										
5124		FP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	FAO	Lesotho	Strengthening Capacity for Climate Change Adaptation through Support to Integrated Watershed Management Programme in Lesotho	Knut Sundstrom	3-Dec-13	PPG approved by CEO
4720		FP	Land Degradation	CEO endorsement of FSP	FAO	Angola	Land Rehabilitation and Rangelands Management in Small Holders Agropastoral Production Systems in Soutwestern Angola	Jean-Marc Sinnassamy	9-Jan-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for EA revision
5481		MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Approval	FAO	Morocco	Conservation of Biodiversity and Mitigation of Land Degradation Through Adaptive Management of Agricultural Heritage Systems	Mohamed Bakarr	9-Jan-14	PIF approved by CEO

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5481		MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Approval	FAO	Morocco	Conservation of Biodiversity and Mitigation of Land Degradation Through Adaptive Management of Agricultural Heritage Systems	Mohamed Bakarr	9-Jan-14	PIF recommended for CEO approval

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4430		EA	Multi Focal Area	CEO EA Approval	-	Ghana	GEF National Portfolio Formulation Document	Susan Waithaka	31-Jan-11	EA approved by CEO
4429		EA	Multi Focal Area	CEO EA Approval	-	Mali	GEF National Portfolio Formulation Document	Susan Waithaka	5-May-11	EA approved by CEO

UNDP

4658	4485 FP		International Waters	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Russian Federation	Integrated Adaptive Management of the West Bering Sea Large Marine Ecosystem in a Changing Climate	Christian Severin	23-Dec-13	FSP circulated to Council before CEO endorsement (Due date COB Jan 23, 2014)
5277	5125 FP		Multi Focal Area	CEO PPG approval	UNDP	Nicaragua	Strengthening the Resilience of Multiple-use Protected Areas to Deliver Multiple Global Environmental Benefits	Mark Zimsky	6-Jan-14	PPG recommended for CEO approval
4916	5035 FP		Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Colombia	Conservation of Biodiversity in Landscapes Impacted by Mining in the Choco Biogeographic Region	Mark Zimsky	6-Jan-14	FSP recommended for endorsement
5579	5049 MSP		Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Approval	UNDP	Palau	Mainstreaming Global Environmental Priorities into National Policies and Programmes	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	6-Jan-14	PIF recommended for CEO approval

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5628	5299	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Botswana	Promoting Production and Utilization of Biomethane from Agro-waste in South-Eastern Botswana	Franck Jesus	7-Jan-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision
4771	4714	FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Mexico	Enhancing National Capacities to Manage Invasive Alien Species (IAS) by Implementing the National Strategy on IAS	Mark Zimsky	8-Jan-14	FSP recommended for endorsement
4559	4816	FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Eritrea	Integrated Semenawi and Debubawi Bahri-Buri-Irrori- Hawakil Protected Area System for Conservation of Biodiversity and Mitigation of Land Degradation	Jaime Cavalier	8-Jan-14	FSP endorsed by CEO
4916	5035	FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Colombia	Conservation of Biodiversity in Landscapes Impacted by Mining in the Choco Biogeographic Region	Mark Zimsky	8-Jan-14	FSP endorsed by CEO
5660	4674	FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Pakistan	Sustainable Forest Management to Secure Multiple Benefits in High Conservation Value Forests	Ulrich Apel	10-Jan-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision
5660	4674	FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PPG approval	UNDP	Pakistan	Sustainable Forest Management to Secure Multiple Benefits in High Conservation Value Forests	Ulrich Apel	10-Jan-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision
4841	4832	FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Uruguay	Strengthening the Effectiveness of the National Protected Area System by Including a Landscape Approach to Management	Ian Gray	23-Jan-14	FSP endorsed by CEO

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UNEP										
3649		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO MSP Approval	UNEP	Mozambique	BS: Support to the Implementation of the National Biosafety Framework of Mozambique	Jaime Cavalier	18-Dec-13	MSP recommended for CEO approval
5580		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNEP	Mauritania	Development of an Improved and Innovative Delivery System for Climate Resilient Livelihoods in Mauritania	Fareeha Iqbal	2-Jan-14	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO
4883		FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP	Mexico	Integrating the Management of Protection and Production Areas for Biodiveristy Conservation in the Sierra Tarahumara of Chihuahua	Mark Zimsky	6-Jan-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision
5648		MSP	POPs	CEO MSP Approval	UNEP	Global (Belarus, Ecuador, Cambodia, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Peru)	Global Project on the Implementation of PRTRs as a Tool for POPs Reporting, Dissemination and Awareness Raising for Belarus, Cambodia, Ecuador, Kazakhstan, Moldova and Peru	Ibrahima Sow	6-Jan-14	MSP sent to Agency for revision
5208		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNEP	Palau	R2R: Advancing Sustainable Resources Management to Improve Livelihoods and Protect Biodiversity in Palau	Ian Gray	6-Jan-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PIF revision
5664		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNEP	Afghanistan	Building Resilience of Communities Living Around the Northern Pistachio Belt (NPB) and Eastern Forest Complex (EFC) of Afghanistan through an EbA approach.	Fareeha Iqbal	9-Jan-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PIF revision

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3649		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO MSP Approval	UNEP	Mozambique	BS: Support to the Implementation of the National Biosafety Framework of Mozambique	Jaime Cavalier	9-Jan-14	MSP approved by CEO
4452		FP	International Waters	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP	Global	Standardized Methodologies for Carbon Accounting and Ecosystem Services Valuation of Blue Forests	Nicole Glineur	10-Jan-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for EA revision
UNIDO										
5154		MSP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	UNIDO	Kenya	Sustainable Conversion of Waste into Clean Energy for GHG Emission Reduction	Franck Jesus	17-Dec-13	PPG approved by CEO
4766		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNIDO	Vietnam	Implementation of Eco-industrial Park Initiative for Sustainable Industrial Zones in Vietnam	Anil Sookdeo	26-Dec-13	FSP endorsed by CEO
4893		FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNIDO	India	Promoting Industrial Energy Efficiency Through Energy Management Standard, System Optimization and Technology Incubation	Ming Yang	8-Jan-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision
5366		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNIDO	Russian Federation	Low Carbon Technology Transfer in the Russian Federation	Franck Jesus	9-Jan-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision