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Fiscal Year ‘16
Country Support Program Activities
Expanded Constituency Workshops

**October 4-7**
Expanded Constituency Workshop - Cook Islands, Fiji, Indonesia, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Timor Leste, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu (17)
Nadi, Fiji, Venue: Sheraton Fiji Resort

Constituency Meetings

**October 5-6**
Coastal West Africa – *Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire*

**October 13**
East Africa – *Port Louis, Mauritius*

**October 13-14**
Southern Cone – *Montevideo, Uruguay*

**October 17-18**
Southern Africa – *Luanda, Angola*

**October 19**
South Asia – *Dhaka, Bangladesh*

**Introduction Seminar**
November 30 - December 2
*Washington, DC*
### Requests Received from GEF Agencies

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