



# Program Management

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## A Weekly Update on GEF Program Management

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Costa Rica	Tunisia	Cameroon	Bosnia & Herzegovina	China	Philippines	
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## DISTRIBUTION LIST WHEN SUBMITTING PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR GEF CEO APPROVAL/ENDORSEMENT

As a rule, all GEF Agencies are expected to circulate their project proposals to the GEF Secretariat, GEF Agencies, STAP and to the relevant Convention Secretariat.

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## **MARCH 2010 INTERSESSIONAL WORK PROGRAM**

<b>January 4, 2010</b>	<b>GEFSEC constitutes work program</b>
<b>January 21, 2010</b>	<b>Announce to Council of upcoming WP</b>
<b>January 28, 2010</b>	<b>Draft Cover Note to GEFOP</b>
<b>February 2, 2010</b>	<b>GEFOP Meeting</b>
<b>February 4, 2010</b>	<b>Webposting of Work Program</b>
<b>March 4, 2010</b>	<b>Council Approval of Work Program</b>

**NB: JANUARY 4 IS THE DATE FOR GEFSEC TO CONSTITUTE THE WORK PROGRAM.  
IT IS NOT THE DEADLINE FOR AGENCIES TO SUBMIT PIFS.  
ONLY CLEARED PIFS, AS OF JANUARY 4, CAN ENTER INTO THE A5 F7 < WORK  
PROGRAM.**



## Global Environment Facility

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### **Notification of Schedule of Forthcoming GEF Council Meetings**

#### **2010**

GEF Assembly, Uruguay - May 25-26

Special Council Meeting - May 25

Consultations and GEF Council Meeting - Week of June 29th

Consultations and GEF Council Meeting - Week of November 15th

In making these arrangements, we have tried to avoid a conflict with any other scheduled meetings related to the global environment. We would like to seek your assistance in reserving these dates should you participate in deliberations as to the scheduling of other related meetings.

## Requests Received from Implementing/Executing Agencies

January 18 - 22, 2010

<b>GEF ID</b>	<b>IA ID</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Focal Area</b>	<b>Decision Sought</b>	<b>Proponent</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Program Manager</b>	<b>Date Received</b>
<b><u>IADB</u></b>									
4135		FP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	IADB	Colombia	Mechanism for Voluntary Mitigation of Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Colombia	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	22-Jan-10
<b><u>IFAD</u></b>									
4149		FP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	IFAD	Mexico	Mitigating Climate Change through Sustainable Forest Management and Capacity Building in the Southern States of Mexico (States of Campeche, Chiapas and Oaxaca)	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	20-Jan-10

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<b>UNDP</b>									
4216	4318	FP	Climate Change	Council approval of PIF	UNDP	Samoa	Integration of Climate Change Risk and Resilience into Forestry Management (ICCRIFS)	Bonizella Biagini	28-Dec-09
3637	4015	FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Mexico	SFM Transforming Management of Biodiversity-rich Community Production Forests through Building National Capacities for Market-based Instruments - under the Sustainable Forest Management Program	Mark Zimsky	19-Jan-10
2778	3515	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Brazil	Sugarcane Renewable Electricity (SUCRE)	Dimitrios Zevgolis	21-Jan-10
3925	4190	FP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Seychelles	Strengthening Seychelles' Protected Area System through NGO Management modalities	Jaime Cavelier	21-Jan-10
2130	2848	FP	International Waters	CEO Approval for Milestone Extension	UNDP	Regional (Afghanistan, Iran)	Restoration, Protection and Sustainable Use of the Sistan Basin	Ivan Zavadsky	22-Jan-10
3376	2085	FP	Land Degradation	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Malawi	SIP-Private Public Sector Partnership on Capacity Building for SLM in the Shire River Basin	Jaime Cavelier	22-Jan-10

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<b><u>UNEP</u></b>									
3990		FP	International Waters	CEO PPG approval	UNEP	Regional (Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Algeria, Egypt, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Montenegro, Syria, Tunisia)	MED Integration of Climatic Variability and Change into National Strategies to implement the ICZM Protocol in the Mediterranean	Ivan Zavadsky	19-Jan-10
3927		FP	Climate Change	CEO Approval for Milestone Extension	UNEP	Algeria	Integrated Approach for Zero Emission Project Development in the New Town of Boughzoul	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	19-Jan-10
3957		FP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNEP	Regional (Indonesia, Cambodia, Philippines, Vietnam)	Removing Barriers to Invasive Species Management in Production and Protection Forests in SE Asia	Yoko Watanabe	19-Jan-10
3957		FP	Biodiversity	CEO PPG approval	UNEP	Regional (Indonesia, Cambodia, Philippines, Vietnam)	Removing Barriers to Invasive Species Management in Production and Protection Forests in SE Asia	Yoko Watanabe	19-Jan-10
<b><u>World Bank</u></b>									
4035		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PPG approval	World Bank	Tunisia	MENARID Ecotourism and Conservation of Desert Biodiversity	Mohamed Bakarr	19-Jan-10
4198		FP	International Waters	CEO PPG approval	World Bank	Morocco	MED Integrated Coastal Zone Management-Mediterranean Coast	Ivan Zavadsky	19-Jan-10
4085		FP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	World Bank	Brazil	Amazon Region Protected Areas Program Phase 2	Gustavo Alberto Fonseca	22-Jan-10

# Responses to Proponents

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ID	IA ID	Type	Focal Area	Decision Sought	Proponen	Country	Project Title	Program Manage	Response Date	Remarks
<b><u>ADB</u></b>										
4130		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	ADB	Nepal	Kathmandu Sustainable Urban Transport (SUT) Project	Osamu Mizuno	20-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO
3670		FP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	ADB	China	CBPF Jiangsu Yancheng Wetlands System Protection Project	Yoko Watanabe	22-Jan-10	PIF recommended for CEO clearance (awaiting CEO's signature)
<b><u>AfDB</u></b>										
3368		FP	Land Degradation	CEO endorsement of FSP	AfDB, IFAD	Gambia	SIP-Participatory Integrated Watershed Management Project (PIWAMP)	Jean-Marc Sinnassamy	20-Jan-10	FSP endorsed by CEO
<b><u>FAO</u></b>										
4175		FP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Approval	FAO	China	CBPF: Demonstration of Estuarine Biodiversity Conservation Restauration and Protected Area Networking	Yoko Watanabe	22-Jan-10	PIF recommended for CEO approval (Docs circulating for signature)
<b><u>IADB</u></b>										
4135		FP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	IADB	Colombia	Mechanism for Voluntary Mitigation of Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Colombia	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	19-Jan-10	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PPG revision
4138		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	IADB	Colombia	Catalytic Investments for Geothermal Power	Josef Buchinger	20-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO

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2881		FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	IADB	Costa Rica	Integrated Management of Marine and Coastal Resources in Puntarenas	Mark Zimsky	21-Jan-10	FSP endorsed by CEO
4213		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	IADB	Argentina	Sustainable Use of Biogas from Agro Industrial and Solid Waste Applications	Josef Buchinger	22-Jan-10	PIF recommended for CEO clearance
4135		FP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	IADB	Colombia	Mechanism for Voluntary Mitigation of Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Colombia	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	22-Jan-10	PPG recommended for CEO approval

### IFAD

3368		FP	Land Degradation	CEO endorsement of FSP	AfDB, IFAD	Gambia	SIP-Participatory Integrated Watershed Management Project (PIWAMP)	Jean-Marc Sinnassamy	20-Jan-10	FSP endorsed by CEO
4149		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	IFAD	Mexico	Mitigating Climate Change through Sustainable Forest Management and Capacity Building in the Southern States of Mexico (States of Campeche, Chiapas and Oaxaca)	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	20-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO
4149		FP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	IFAD	Mexico	Mitigating Climate Change through Sustainable Forest Management and Capacity Building in the Southern States of Mexico (States of Campeche, Chiapas and Oaxaca)	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	20-Jan-10	PPG approved by CEO

### UNDP

3376	2085	FP	Land Degradation	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Malawi	SIP-Private Public Sector Partnership on Capacity Building for SLM in the Shire River Basin	Jaime Cavalier	19-Jan-10	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision
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3359	3908	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Thailand	Promoting Renewable Energy in Mae Hong Son Province	Dimitrios Zevgolis	19-Jan-10	FSP circulated to Council before CEO endorsement
3693	4178	FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Kenya	Strengthening the Protected Area Network within the Eastern Montane Forest Hotspot of Kenya	Jaime Cavalier	19-Jan-10	FSP endorsed by CEO
3683	4031	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Venezuela	IMPROVE: Increase Product Efficiency in Venezuela (RESUBMISSION)	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	20-Jan-10	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision
3700	4040	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	China	Promoting Energy Efficient Room Air Conditioners (PEERAC) Project	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	20-Jan-10	FSP endorsed by CEO
4216	4318	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Samoa	Integration of Climate Change Risk and Resilience into Forestry Management (ICCRIFS)	Bonizella Biagini	20-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO
4216	4318	FP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	UNDP	Samoa	Integration of Climate Change Risk and Resilience into Forestry Management (ICCRIFS)	Bonizella Biagini	20-Jan-10	PPG approved by CEO
3953	4223	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Indonesia	Wind Hybrid Power Generation (WHyPGen) Marketing Development Initiatives	Dimitrios Zevgolis	20-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO
3953	4223	FP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	UNDP	Indonesia	Wind Hybrid Power Generation (WHyPGen) Marketing Development Initiatives	Dimitrios Zevgolis	20-Jan-10	PPG approved by CEO
4134	4284	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	India	Market Development and Promotion of Solar Concentrators based Process Heat Applications in India	Josef Buchinger	20-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO

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4073	4227	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Burkina Faso	SPWA-CC Promotion of Jatropha Curcas as a resource of Bioenergy in Burkina-Faso	Dimitrios Zevgolis	20-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO
4073	4227	FP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	UNDP	Burkina Faso	SPWA-CC Promotion of Jatropha Curcas as a resource of Bioenergy in Burkina-Faso	Dimitrios Zevgolis	20-Jan-10	PPG approved by CEO
4165	3937	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Thailand	LGGE Promoting Energy Efficiency in Commercial Buildings in Thailand (PEECB)	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	20-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO
4165	3937	FP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	UNDP	Thailand	LGGE Promoting Energy Efficiency in Commercial Buildings in Thailand (PEECB)	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	20-Jan-10	PPG approved by CEO
4115	4289	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Romania	LGGE Improving Energy Efficiency in Low-Income Households and Regions of Romania	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	20-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO
4115	4289	FP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	UNDP	Romania	LGGE Improving Energy Efficiency in Low-Income Households and Regions of Romania	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	20-Jan-10	PPG approved by CEO
3946	428	MSP	Biodiversity	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Serbia	Ensuring Financial Sustainability of the Protected Area System	Ivan Zavadsky	21-Jan-10	MSP approved by CEO
4161	429	MSP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Approval	UNDP	Moldova	Reducing Green House Gas Emissions through Improving Energy Efficiency in Residential Buildings	Ganna Onysko	22-Jan-10	PIF recommended for CEO approval
4161	429	MSP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	UNDP	Moldova	Reducing Green House Gas Emissions through Improving Energy Efficiency in Residential Buildings	Ganna Onysko	22-Jan-10	PPG recommended for CEO approval

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<u>UNEP</u>										
4150		FP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNEP	Sri Lanka	Maintreaming Agrobiodiversity Conservation and Use in Sri Lankan Agro-ecosystems for Livelihoods and Adaptation to Climate Change	Yoko Watanabe	23-Dec-09	PIF recommended for CEO clearance (Technically cleared)
4150		FP	Biodiversity	CEO PPG approval	UNEP	Sri Lanka	Maintreaming Agrobiodiversity Conservation and Use in Sri Lankan Agro-ecosystems for Livelihoods and Adaptation to Climate Change	Yoko Watanabe	23-Dec-09	PPG recommended for CEO approval
4010		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PPG approval	UNEP	Mongolia	BS Capacity Building for Biosafety Implementation	Jaime Cavelier	12-Jan-10	PPG approved by CEO
4078		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Approval	UNEP	Ethiopia	BS Implementation of Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety through Effective Implementation of National Biosafety Framework	Jaime Cavelier	12-Jan-10	PIF approved by CEO
4078		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PPG approval	UNEP	Ethiopia	BS Implementation of Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety through Effective Implementation of National Biosafety Framework	Jaime Cavelier	12-Jan-10	PPG approved by CEO
4174		FP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNEP	Armenia	Enhancing Livelihoods in Rural Communities of Armenia through Mainstreaming Agricultural Biodiversity Conservation and Utilization	Ivan Zavadsky	19-Jan-10	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PIF revision

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4174		FP	Biodiversity	CEO PPG approval	UNEP	Armenia	Enhancing Livelihoods in Rural Communities of Armenia through Mainstreaming Agricultural Biodiversity Conservation and Utilization	Ivan Zavadsky	19-Jan-10	PPG not recommended for further development
3927		FP	Climate Change	CEO Approval for Milestone Extension	UNEP	Algeria	Integrated Approach for Zero Emission Project Development in the New Town of Boughzoul	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	19-Jan-10	Milestone Extension approved by CEO
4171		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNEP	Regional (Antigua And Barbuda, Belize, Grenada, St. Lucia, Trinidad and Tobago)	Energy for Sustainable Development in the Caribbean (ESD-Caraibes)	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	20-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO
4171		FP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	UNEP	Regional (Antigua And Barbuda, Belize, Grenada, St. Lucia, Trinidad and Tobago)	Energy for Sustainable Development in the Caribbean (ESD-Caraibes)	Alexis Jean-Roch Mariani	20-Jan-10	PPG approved by CEO
3405		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO MSP Approval	UNEP	Ecuador	BS Implementation of the National Biosafety Framework	Jaime Cavalier	22-Jan-10	MSP sent to Agency for revision (Review Sheet sent)
4158		FP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNEP	Cuba	Agricultural Biodiversity Conservation and Man and Biosphere Reserves in Cuba: Bridging Managed and Natural Landscapes	Mark Zimsky	22-Jan-10	PIF recommended for CEO clearance (Awaiting CEO signature)

## UNIDO

4184		MSP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Approval	UNIDO	Thailand	Promoting small biomass power plants in rural Thailand for sustainable renewable energy management and community involvement	Josef Buchinger	8-Jan-10	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PIF revision (Formal response)
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4184		MSP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	UNIDO	Thailand	Promoting small biomass power plants in rural Thailand for sustainable renewable energy management and community involvement	Josef Buchinger	8-Jan-10	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PPG revision (Formal response)
4004		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNIDO	Tanzania	Mini-Grids Based on Small Hydropower Sources to Augment Rural Electrification	Dimitrios Zevgolis	20-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO
4004		FP	Climate Change	CEO PPG approval	UNIDO	Tanzania	Mini-Grids Based on Small Hydropower Sources to Augment Rural Electrification	Dimitrios Zevgolis	20-Jan-10	PPG approved by CEO

## World Bank

3873		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Approval	World Bank	Lao PDR	Protected Area Management Models for Lao PDR: Learning and Disseminating Lessons from Nam Et-Phou Louey	Yoko Watanabe	19-Jan-10	PIF recommended for CEO approval (Docs circulating for signature)
3873		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Approval	World Bank	Lao PDR	Protected Area Management Models for Lao PDR: Learning and Disseminating Lessons from Nam Et-Phou Louey	Yoko Watanabe	19-Jan-10	PIF approved by CEO
4082	112668	FP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	World Bank	Angola	National Biodiversity Project	Jaime Cavelier	20-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO
4152	117177	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	World Bank	Lao PDR	Rural Electrification Phase II	Dimitrios Zevgolis	20-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO
4188		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	World Bank	China	Technology Need Assessment on Climate Change	Josef Buchinger	20-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO
4105	118900	FP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	World Bank	Sierra Leone	SPWA-BD Integrated Ecosystems Management Project	Jean-Marc Sinnassamy	21-Jan-10	PIF cleared for WPI by CEO

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3281		FP	POPs	CEO endorsement of FSP	World Bank	Belarus	Integrated Solid Waste Management	Ibrahima Sow	21-Jan-10	FSP circulated to Council before CEO endorsement
3817		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO MSP Approval	World Bank	Guinea-Bissau	SPWA BD: Guinea Bissau Biodiversity Conservation Trust Fund Project	Jean-Marc Sinnassamy	22-Jan-10	MSP sent to Agency for revision

## INTRODUCING GEFSEC'S NEW STAFF



### **ANDREW VELTHAUS, Senior Policy Officer**

Andrew Velthaus, a national of the United States, joined the GEF Secretariat as a Senior Policy Officer, on January 11, 2010.

As many of you know, until recently, Andrew had served as the U.S. Department of the Treasury's GEF Desk Officer between 2006 and 2009, where he was responsible for coordinating all aspects of U.S. Government policy towards the GEF. He also served as the U.S. Treasury's desk officer for the International Fund for Agricultural Development, including formulation of U.S. Government positions on IFAD's Eighth Replenishment in 2008. During a prior seven year assignment at the U.S. Treasury (1995-2002), Andrew served as a macroeconomist covering Asian economies, as a financial services trade negotiator, and finally worked on environmental and safeguard policy issues concerning the multilateral development banks.

Between 2002 and 2006, Andrew worked first for Conservation International (CI) and later for the African Wildlife Foundation, both in Washington, DC. While at CI, he assisted in managing and coordinating relations with several multilateral organizations, including the Global Environment Facility and its agencies.

Andrew holds a Master of Pacific International Affairs from the Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies (IR/PS) from the University of California, San Diego. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and East Asian Studies from McGill University, Montreal, Canada.



### **SALIHA DOBARDZIC, Climate Change Specialist**

Saliha Dobardzic joined the Climate and Chemicals team on January 11, 2010 as a Climate Change Specialist.

Saliha's involvement with environmental issues began with founding the first student environmental awareness group at Kuwait University, where she obtained her Bachelors of Science in Zoology. She has since worked for the World Bank in post-conflict Bosnia, her country of birth, and later on environmental and urban issues with the Mediterranean Environmental Technical Assistance Program. She has also worked extensively for the World Bank's Middle East and North Africa climate change group devising and implementing the regional climate change strategy and, most recently, served as Project Coordinator of the regional climate change and migration study. She has experience with the UN-Habitat in Nairobi, The Smithsonian Conservation and Research Center, and a number of prominent NGOs, as well as in the private sector in the United States as a climate change expert, and internationally.

Saliha has a Masters of Science in Sustainable Development and Conservation Biology from the University of Maryland, College Park where she went on to doctoral studies on human-environment dynamics applying spatial science tools. She is a co-author of several published studies and reports on climate change.



**MIKKO OLLIKAINEN, Adaptation Officer**

Mikko Ollikainen, a Finnish national, has joined the Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat as an Adaptation Officer on October 19, 2009.

Prior to joining the GEF, Mikko worked in the World Bank Carbon Finance Unit as a Carbon Finance Specialist. In the CFU he functioned as a deal manager for afforestation/ reforestation Clean Development Mechanism projects in Africa in the BioCarbon Fund portfolio, including the first African UNFCCC-approved A/R CDM project in Uganda, registered by the CDM Executive Board in August 2009. In addition to assigned projects, he worked in the development of the BioCF portfolio, including new areas such as agricultural soil carbon.

Before his assignment in the CFU, Mikko worked for two years in the World Bank reconstruction program of the Indonesian province of Aceh, following the 2004 tsunami, supervising and implementing projects in the fields of environment and natural resources management. Mikko worked for two years in Beijing, China, as a country representative of an environment consulting firm and as the coordinator of an EU-funded policy research project prior to joining the World Bank.

Mikko holds a M.Sc. degree in ecology and biodiversity research from the University of Turku, Finland, and a diploma in international trade from the University of Tampere, Finland.