

**Excerpts from the Joint Summary of the Chairs & Highlights of the Council’s Decisions,
13th LDCF/SCCF Council Meeting November 15th, 2012**

Joint Summary of the Chairs

***Decision on Agenda Item 4 Joint Work Program for the Least Developed Countries
Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund***

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council reviewed the proposed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.13/03, Joint Work Program for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, and approved the following decision:

“The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.13/03, Joint Work Program for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, Submitted for LDCF/SCCF Council Approval, approved the work program comprising five project concepts, subject to comments made during the Council meeting and additional comments that may be submitted in writing to the Secretariat by November 29, 2012.

Total resources requested in this work program amount to \$28.544 million for the SCCF and \$1.870 million for the LDCF, including project grants and Agency fees. The approved work program is comprised of the following:

a) Four Stand-Alone SCCF-A Projects:

- ***Georgia: Enhancing Resilience of Agricultural Sector in Georgia (ERASIG) (IFAD) 9*** (Total SCCF/LDCF Resources Requested in this WP: \$5.804M)
- ***Kyrgyz Republic: Promoting Climate Resiliency of Water Supplies in Kyrgyzstan (EBRD)***(Total SCCF/LDCF Resources Requested in this WP: \$5.500M)
- ***Lebanon: Sustainable Agricultural Livelihoods in Marginal Areas (SALMA) (World Bank)*** (Total SCCF/LDCF Resources Requested in this WP: \$7.862M)
- ***Tunisia: Addressing Climate Change Vulnerabilities and Risks in Vulnerable Coastal Areas of Tunisia (UNDP)*** (Total SCCF/LDCF Resources Requested in this WP: \$6.050M)

b) One Multi-Trust Fund Project:

- ***Regional (Angola, Namibia and South Africa): Enhancing Climate Change Resilience in the Benguela Current Fisheries System (FAO) (Total SCCF/LDCF Resources Requested in this WP: \$5.198M)***

With respect to the following project, the LDCF/SCCF Council requested the Secretariat to arrange for Council members to receive draft final project documents and to transmit to the CEO within four weeks any concerns they may have prior to the CEO's endorsing a project document for final approval by the GEF Agency:

- ***Lebanon: Sustainable Agricultural Livelihoods in Marginal Areas (SALMA) (World Bank) (Total SCCF/LDCF Resources Requested in this WP: \$7.862M)***

With respect to the 5 PIFs approved as part of the work program, the Council finds that each of these PIFs (i) is, or would be, consistent with the Instrument and GEF Policies and procedures, and (ii) may be endorsed by the CEO for final approval by the GEF Agency, provided that the final project documents fully incorporate and address the Council's comments on the work program, and that the CEO confirms that the project continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF policies and procedures.

With respect to any PIF approved in this work program, the final project document will be posted on the GEF website for information after CEO endorsement. If the GEF CEO determines that there have been major changes to the project scope and approach since PIF approval, the final project document shall be posted on the web for Council review for four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.

The Council requested that the Secretariat include in the next Progress Report on the LDCF and SCCF a report on expected portfolio-level results."

Highlights of the LDCF/SCCF Council's Decision

Agenda Item 3 Joint Work Program for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund

1. Regarding the Lebanon project, *Sustainable Agricultural Livelihoods in Marginal Areas* (World Bank), one Council Member raised concern about the disbursement of funding, and requested to review the final project document before CEO endorsement. To this, the GEF Secretariat affirmed commitment to act appropriately. The Secretariat also informed Council Members of bilateral meetings, facilitated by the GEF Secretariat, during which financial modalities and disbursements for the project were discussed.

2. Several Council Members also requested that the project report on the LDCF and SCCF would be presented to the council as a working document during the next Council Meeting.