

# Excerpts from the Joint Summary of the Chairs & Highlights of the Council's Decisions, 17th LDCF/SCCF Council Meeting October 30th, 2014

## Joint Summary of the Chairs

Decision on Agenda Item 4 Work Program for the Special Climate Change Fund

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.17/04/Rev.01, Work Program for the Special Climate Change Fund, approved the work program comprising six project concepts, subject to comments made during the Council meeting and additional comments that would be submitted in writing to the Secretariat by November 13, 2014.

2. Total resources requested in this work program<sup>1</sup> amounted to \$31.883 million which include SCCF project financing and Agency fees. The work program is comprised of the following Project Identification Forms (PIFs):

## Six Stand-Alone SCCF-A projects

- *Chile:* Strengthening the Adaptive Capacity to Climate Change in the Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector (FAO) (SCCF-A Project Financing: \$2.500 million)
- Costa Rica: Strengthening Capacities of Rural Aqueduct Associations' (ASADAS) to

Address Climate Change Risks in Water Stressed Communities of Northern Costa Rica (UNDP) (SCCF-A Project Financing: \$5.000 million)

- *Egypt:* Integrated Management and Innovation in Rural Settlements (IFAD) (SCCF-A Project Financing: \$7.812 million)
- *Morocco:* Enhancing the Climate Resilience of the Moroccan ports sector (EBRD) (SCCF-A Project Financing: \$6.193 million)
- Vietnam: Promoting Climate Resilience in Vietnam Cities (ADB) (SCCF-A Project Financing: \$4.566 million)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Council Member representing the United States of America, in light of its policies for certain development projects, abstained from participating in the decision on the following project: *Turkmenistan: Supporting Climate Resilient Livelihoods in Agricultural Communities in Drought-prone Areas (UNDP) (SCCF-A Project Financing:* \$3.046 million).

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3. 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.

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4. With respect to the PIFs approved as part of the work program, the Council found 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 and STAP reviewer's comments on the work program, and that the CEO confirms that the project continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF/SCCF policies and procedures.

5. 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 there are 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.

6. The detailed funding decisions taken by the Council during this 17th session of the work program is part of the associated Annex I appended to this Joint Summary of the Chairs.

## **Highlights of the Council Decisions**

## Agenda Item 4 Work Program for the Special Climate Change Fund

1. Council Members expressed appreciation to the Secretariat and its Implementing Agencies for the Work Program. One Member requested that the final project proposal for the IFAD project in Egypt, "Integrated Management and Innovation in Rural Settlements<sup>2</sup>" be circulated to the Council before CEO endorsement. And finally, a representative from the CSO Network highlighted the importance of active CSO engagement in adaptation projects, given their unique understanding and expertise of local community contexts.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> SCCF-A Project Financing: \$7.812 million