

**Excerpts from the Joint Summary of the Chairs & Highlights of the Council's Decisions,
48th GEF Council Meeting June 2 - 4, 2015**

Joint Summary of the Chairs

Decision on Agenda Item 12

Work Program

1. The Council, having reviewed document GEF/C.48/08/Rev.02, Work Program for GEF Trust Fund, approved the work program comprising 35 project concepts and five programmatic approach frameworks, subject to comments made during the Council meeting and additional comments that may be submitted in writing to the Secretariat by June 18, 2015. 4

2. Total resources approved in this work program¹ amounted to \$709.01 million which include GEF project financing and Agency fees. The work program is comprised of the following Project Identification Forms (PIFs) and Program Framework Documents (PFDs):

Programmatic Approaches

1. **Global (Brazil, Cote d'Ivoire, China, India, Mexico, Malaysia, Peru, Paraguay, Senegal, Vietnam, South Africa) :** Sustainable Cities Integrated Approach Pilot (IAP-PROGRAM) (Lead agency: World Bank; ADB, AfDB, DBSA, IADB, UNDP, UNEP, UNIDO) (GEF Project Grant : \$137,822,072) (GEF ID 9077)
2. **Global:** Taking Deforestation Out of Commodity Supply Chains (IAP-PROGRAM) (Lead Agency: UNDP; IADB, CI, UNEP, World Bank, WWF-US) (GEF Project Grant : \$40,332,518) (GEF ID 9072)
3. **Global (Cote d'Ivoire, Cabo Verde, Ecuador, Indonesia, Peru, Senegal):** Coastal Fisheries Initiative (PROGRAM) (Lead Agency:FAO; CI, UNDP, UNEP, World Bank, WWF-US) (GEF Project Grant: \$33,731,193) (GEF ID 9060)
4. **Global (Botswana, Cameroon, Congo Republic, Ethiopia, Gabon, Indonesia, India, Kenya, Mozambique, Tanzania, Zambia):** Global Partnership on Wildlife

¹ The United States, in light of its policies for certain development projects, opposes the following project and therefore does not join the Council decision that would support: Argentina: Reducing GHG emissions through the utilization of organic waste for energy generation in agriculture and agroindustries, and abstains from participating in the decision on the following projects: Global: Sustainable Cities Integrated Approach Pilot; Regional: Integrated Natural Resources Management in Drought-prone and Salt-affected Agricultural Production Systems in Central Asia and Turkey, and Belarus: Conservation-oriented Management of Forests and Wetlands to Achieve Multiple Benefits

Conservation and Crime Prevention for Sustainable Development (PROGRAM)
(Lead Agency: World Bank, UNDP) (GEF Project Grant: \$90,377,470) (GEF ID 9071)

5. **Regional (Burkina Faso, Burundi, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda) :** Fostering Sustainability and Resilience for Food Security in Sub-Saharan Africa - An Integrated Approach (IAP-PROGRAM) (Lead agency: IFAD; CI, FAO, UNDP, UNEP, UNIDO, World Bank) (GEF Project Grant : \$106,359,290) (GEF ID 9070)

Multi-Focal Area Projects

6. **Regional (Kyrgyz Republic, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Turkey, Uzbekistan) :** Integrated Natural Resources Management in Drought-prone and Salt-affected Agricultural Production Systems in Central Asia and Turkey (CACILM2) (FAO) (GEF Project Grant : \$10,981,815) (GEF ID 9094)
7. **Belarus :** Conservation-oriented Management of Forests and Wetlands to Achieve Multiple Benefits (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$4,263,561) (GEF ID 7993)
8. **Chad :** Building Resilience For Food Security and Nutrition in Chad's Rural Communities (AfDB) (GEF Project Grant : \$5,329,452) (GEF ID9050)
9. **Costa Rica :** Sixth Operational Phase of the GEF Small Grants Programme in Costa Rica (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,319,635) (GEF ID 9088)
10. **Ecuador :** Sustainable Development of the Ecuadorian Amazon: Integrated Management of Multiple Use Landscapes and High Value Conservation Forests (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$12,462,550) (GEF ID 9055)
11. **Egypt :** Sixth Operational Phase of the GEF Small Grants Programme in Egypt (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,913,241) (GEF ID 6956)
12. **Indonesia :** Sixth Operational Phase of the GEF Small Grants Programme in Indonesia (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,561,643) (GEF ID 9086)
13. **Indonesia :** Strengthening Forest Area Planning and Management in Kalimantan (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$9,000,000) (GEF ID 6965)
14. **Kyrgyz Republic :** Conservation of Globally Important Biodiversity and Association Land and Forest Resources of Western Tian Shan Forest Mountain Ecosystems and Support to Sustainable Livelihoods (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,988,575) (GEF ID 6958)
15. **Kyrgyz Republic :** Sustainable Forest and Land Management Project (World Bank) (GEF Project Grant : \$4,109,589) (GEF ID 9037)
16. **Myanmar :** Ridge to Reef: Integrated Protected Area Land and Seascape Management in Tanintharyi (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$5,250,000) (GEF ID

6992)

17. **Peru** : Sixth Operational Phase of the GEF Small Grants Programme in Peru (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,196,672) (GEF ID 9044)
18. **Sri Lanka** : Sixth Operational Phase of the GEF Small Grants Programme in Sri Lanka (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,497,078) (GEF ID 9093)
19. **Uzbekistan** : Sustainable Natural Resource and Forest Management in Key Mountainous Areas Important for Globally Significant Biodiversity (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$6,209,863) (GEF ID 8031)
20. **Zambia** : Zambia Lake Tanganyika Basin Sustainable Development Project (AfDB) (GEF Project Grant : \$7,334,247) (GEF ID 8021)

Single Focal Area Projects

Biodiversity

21. **Fiji** : Building Capacities to Address Invasive Alien Species to Enhance the Chances of Long-term Survival of Terrestrial Endemic and Threatened Species on Taveuni Island and Surrounding Islets (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,502,968) (GEF ID 9095)
22. **Peru** : Effective Implementation of the Access and Benefit Sharing and Traditional Knowledge Regime in Peru in accordance with the Nagoya Protocol (UNEP) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,190,000) (GEF ID 8025)
23. **South Africa** : Unlocking Biodiversity Benefits through Development Finance in Critical Catchments (DBSA) (GEF Project Grant : \$7,201,835) (GEF ID 9073)

Chemicals and Waste

24. **Regional (Ethiopia, Gabon, Kenya, Madagascar, Mali, Senegal, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe)** : Integrated Health and Environment Observatories and Legal and Institutional Strengthening for the Sound Management of Chemicals in Africa (African ChemObs) (UNEP) (GEF Project Grant : \$10,500,000) (GEF ID 9080)
25. **China** : Demonstration of Mercury Reduction and Minimization in the Production of Vinyl Chloride Monomer (UNIDO) (GEF Project Grant : \$16,200,000) (GEF ID 6921)
26. **China** : Reduction and Phase-out of PFOS in Priority Sectors in China (World Bank) (GEF Project Grant : \$24,250,000) (GEF ID 9046)
27. **Honduras** : Environmentally Sound Management of Products and Wastes Containing POPs and Risks Associated with their Final Disposal (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,460,000) (GEF ID 9079)
28. **Montenegro** : Comprehensive Environmentally Sound Management of PCBs in

Montenegro (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,500,000) (GEF ID 9045)

29. **Philippines** : Implementation of PCB Management Programs for Electric Cooperatives and Safe e-wastes Management (UNIDO) (GEF Project Grant : \$6,200,000) (GEF ID 9078)

Climate Change

30. **Argentina** : Reducing Argentina's Greenhouse Gas Emissions from the Energy Sector through the Utilization of Organic Waste for Energy Generation in Agriculture and Agro Industries (UNIDO) (GEF Project Grant : \$6,000,000) (GEF ID9053)
31. **Cook Islands** : Renewable Energy Sector Project (ADB) (GEF Project Grant : \$4,127,668) (GEF ID 9067)
32. **Ethiopia** : Ethiopian Urban NAMA: Creating Opportunities for Municipalities to Produce and Operationalise Solid waste Transformation (COMPOST) (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$6,667,123) (GEF ID 9048)
33. **Moldova** : Moldova Sustainable Green Cities – Catalyzing Investment in Sustainable Green Cities in the Republic of Moldova Using a Holistic Integrated Urban Planning Approach (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,639,726) (GEF ID 9042)
34. **Turkey** : Promoting Energy-Efficient Motors in Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs) (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,750,000) (GEF ID 9081)
35. **Uzbekistan** : Market Transformation Sustainable Rural Housing Project (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$6,000,000) (GEF ID 6913)

International Waters

36. **Regional (Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia, South Africa)** : Support to the Orange-Senqu River Strategic Action Programme Implementation (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$10,815,137) (GEF ID 9054)

Land Degradation

37. **Armenia** : Sustainable Land Management for Increased Productivity (IFAD) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,937,500) (GEF ID 8005)

Non-Grant Instrument Projects

38. **Regional (Latin America and Caribbean)** : Impact Investment in Support of the Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing (IADB) (GEF Project Grant : \$10,000,000) (GEF ID 9058)
39. **South Africa** : Equity Fund for the Small Projects Independent Power Producer Procurement Programme (non-grant) (DBSA) (GEF Project Grant : \$15,000,000) (GEF ID 9085)

40. **Regional:** Moringa Agro-forestry Fund for Africa (non-grant) (AfDB) (GEF Project Grant : \$12,000,000) (GEF ID 9051)

3. With respect to the following six projects, the Council requested the Secretariat to send to Council members final project documents and within four weeks Council members will transmit to the CEO any concerns they may have prior to the CEO's endorsing the project document for final approval by the GEF Agency.

- a) **Ecuador:** Sustainable Development of the Ecuadorian Amazon: Integrated Management of Multiple Use Landscapes and High Value Conservation Forests (UNDP) (GEF ID 9055)
- b) **Kyrgyz Republic:** Conservation of Globally Important Biodiversity and Association Land and Forest Resources of Western Tian Shan Forest Mountain Ecosystems and Support to Sustainable Livelihoods (UNDP) (GEF ID 6958)
- c) **Peru:** Effective Implementation of the Access and Benefit Sharing and Traditional Knowledge Regime in Peru in accordance with the Nagoya Protocol (UNEP) (GEF ID 8025)
- d) **Regional (Latin America and Caribbean):** Impact Investment in Support of the Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing (non-grant) (IADB) (GEF ID 9058)
- e) **South Africa:** Equity Fund for the Small Projects Independent Power Producer Procurement Programme (non-grant) (DBSA) (GEF ID 9085)
- f) **Regional (Burkina Faso, Cote d'Ivoire, Kenya, Mali, Tanzania, Zambia, Congo DR):** Moringa Agro-forestry Fund for Africa (non-grant) (AfDB) (GEF ID 9051)

4. With respect to the 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 and the 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 policies and procedures.

5. The Council agreed that child projects of the Programmatic Approach "Global Partnership on Wildlife Conservation and Crime Prevention for Sustainable Development" will be circulated to Council for review and comment at least four weeks in advance of CEO endorsements. The GEF Secretariat will continue to engage the STAP during the child project development phase under this Programmatic Approach.

- (a) **Global (Botswana, Cameroon, Congo Republic, Ethiopia, Gabon, Indonesia, India, Kenya, Mozambique, Tanzania, Zambia):** Global Partnership on Wildlife Conservation and Crime Prevention for Sustainable Development (PROGRAM) (GEF ID 9071)

6. The Council approved the IAP PFDs and agreed that:

- (a) IAP Child projects be circulated to Council for review and comment at least four weeks in advance of CEO endorsements;
- (b) The GEF Secretariat will continue to provide detailed IAP updates to the GEF Partnership;

- (c) The GEF Secretariat will continue to engage the STAP during the child project development phase;
- (d) The results frameworks will be updated as integral components of the child projects to demonstrate how programs contribute to achieving GEF-6 results; and
- (e) The approved cancellation policy of 18 months for full sized projects, from Council approval to submission for CEO endorsement, will also be applied to the child projects of these IAPs.

7. 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.

8. The detailed funding decisions taken by the Council during this 48th session of the work program is part of the associated Annex 1 appended to this Joint Summary of the Chairs.

Highlights of the Council Decisions

Agenda Item 12 Work Program

1. Council Members commended the Secretariat, Agencies, and STAP for their collaborative efforts to develop this large and innovative Work Program.

2. The 3 IAPs – (i) Sustainable Cities, (ii) Fostering Sustainability and Resilience for Food Security in Sub-Saharan Africa, and (iii) Taking Deforestation out of Community Supply Chains – were well received by Council Members, who reiterated the importance of country ownership and alignment with country priorities. Many Council Members asked for an opportunity to examine the final child project designs of IAPs. Some Council Members emphasized the importance of participation of STAP in child project development. Some Council Members asked that the child projects of the programmatic approach on Illegal Wildlife Trade be shared with Council once they come in for endorsement. Some Council Members asked that the World Bank consider updating the PFD to reflect comments that were to be sent by these council members subsequently.

3. Council Members recognized the innovative approach of non-grant instrument projects, and encouraged the Secretariat to engage the private sector upfront in project designs. Since one of the targets is to engage the Public Sector with the NGI, several Council members reemphasized the importance of the public sector.