

**Excerpts from the Joint Summary of the Chairs & Highlights of the Council’s Decisions,
50th GEF Council Meeting June, 2016**

Joint Summary of the Chairs

Decision on Agenda Item 17 Work Program

1. The Council, having reviewed document GEF/C.50/11, *Work Program for GEF Trust Fund*, approves the work program comprising 38 project concepts (including three resubmitted projects from the April 2016 Intersessional Work Program) and four programmatic frameworks, subject to comments made during the Council meeting and additional comments that may be submitted in writing to the Secretariat by June 23, 2016.

2. Total resources approved in this work program¹ amount to \$398.68 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 (Afghanistan, Botswana, Congo, Cameroon, Ethiopia, Gabon, Indonesia, India, Kenya, Mali, Malawi, Mozambique, Philippines, Thailand, Tanzania, Vietnam, South Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe) : Global Partnership on**

¹ The Council Member representing the United States of America, in light of its policies for certain development projects, abstains from participating in the Council decision on the following projects: 1) **Global (Central African Republic, Cameroon, China, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Myanmar, Pakistan, Sao Tome and Principe, Tanzania, Congo DR) : TRI The Restoration Initiative - Fostering Innovation and Integration in Support of the Bonn Challenge (IUCN, FAO, UNEP)**, 2) **Turkmenistan : Sustainable Cities: Integrated Green Urban Development in Ashgabat and Awaza (UNDP)**, 3) **Cuba : Incorporating Multiple Environmental Considerations and their Economic Implications into the Management of Landscapes Forests and Production Sectors in Cuba (UNDP)**; and opposes, and therefore does not join the Council decision that supports the following projects: 1) **Global (Chile, Indonesia, Myanmar, Tunisia, South Africa) : Leapfrogging Markets to High Efficiency Products (Appliances, including Lighting, and Electrical Equipment)¹ (PFD Resubmission of #9083) (UNEP, DBSA, UNDP)**, 2) **Global (Antigua And Barbuda, Burundi, Congo, Djibouti, Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Iraq, Kyrgyz Republic, Madagascar, Mauritania, Maldives, Nepal, Swaziland, Chad, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Congo DR, Zimbabwe) : Umbrella Programme for Preparation of National Communications and Biennial Update Reports to the UNFCCC (UNEP)**, 3) **Global (Afghanistan, Botswana, Congo, Cameroon, Ethiopia, Gabon, Indonesia, India, Kenya, Mali, Malawi, Mozambique, Philippines, Thailand, Tanzania, Vietnam, South Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe) : Global Partnership on Wildlife Conservation and Crime Prevention for Sustainable Development¹ (Resubmission of 9071) (World Bank, UNEP, ADB, UNDP)**

Wildlife Conservation and Crime Prevention for Sustainable Development²
(Resubmission of 9071) (World Bank, UNEP, ADB, UNDP) (GEF Financing : \$ 40,199,414) GEF ID 9439

2. **Global (Central African Republic, Cameroon, China, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Myanmar, Pakistan, Sao Tome and Principe, Tanzania, Congo DR) : TRI**
The Restoration Initiative - Fostering Innovation and Integration in Support of the Bonn Challenge (IUCN, FAO, UNEP) (GEF Financing : \$ 54,133,704) GEF ID 9264
3. **Global (Chile, Indonesia, Myanmar, Tunisia, South Africa): Leapfrogging Markets to High Efficiency Products (Appliances, including Lighting, and Electrical Equipment)³** (PFD Resubmission of #9083) (UNEP, DBSA, UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 19,992,753) GEF ID 9436
4. **Madagascar: S3MR Sustainable Management of Madagascar's Marine Resources** (WWF-US, World Bank) (GEF Financing: \$ 12,706,422) GEF ID 9433

Multi Focal Area

5. **Regional (Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and Grenadines): Caribbean Regional Oceanscape Project** (World Bank) (GEF Financing: \$ 6,300,000) GEF ID 9451
6. **Brazil: Realizing the Biodiversity Conservation Potential of Private Lands** (UNEP) (GEF Financing: \$ 8,953,425) GEF ID 9413
7. **Cameroon: Integrated Sustainable Urban Development (SUDP) and Environmentally Sound Management of Municipal Solid Waste Project in Cameroon⁴** (Resubmission) (AfDB) (GEF Financing: \$ 7,956,880) GEF ID 9234
8. **Chad: Restoring Ecological Corridors in Western Chad for Multiple Land and Forests Benefits - RECONNECT** (IUCN) (GEF Financing: \$ 5,366,972) GEF ID 9417
9. **Costa Rica: Conserving Biodiversity through Sustainable Management in Production *-Landscapes in Costa Rica** (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 6,699,315) GEF ID 9416

² Resubmitted PFD for *Global Partnership on Wildlife Conservation and Crime Prevention for Sustainable Development* (originally approved in June 2015)

³ Resubmitted PFD for *Leapfrogging Markets to High Efficiency Products (Appliances, including Lighting, and Electrical Equipment)*(originally approved in October 2015)

⁴ Deferred from the April 2016 Intersessional Work Program

10. **Cuba:** Incorporating Multiple Environmental Considerations and their Economic Implications into the Management of Landscapes Forests and Production Sectors in Cuba (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 9,580,365) GEF ID 9429
11. **Dominican Republic:** Mainstreaming Conservation of Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services in Productive Landscapes in Threatened Forested Mountainous Areas (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 8,176,165) GEF ID 9424
12. **Honduras:** Agroforestry Landscapes and Sustainable Forest Management that Generate Environmental and Economic Benefits Globally and Locally (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 13,286,697) GEF ID 9262
13. **India:** Green-Ag: Transforming Indian Agriculture for Global Environmental Benefits and the Conservation of Critical Biodiversity and Forest Landscapes (FAO) (GEF Financing: \$ 33,558,716) GEF ID 9243
14. **Kazakhstan:** Conservation and Sustainable Management of Key Globally Important Ecosystems for Multiple Benefits⁵ (Resubmission) (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 8,069,178) GEF ID 9193
15. **Kazakhstan:** Sixth Operational Phase of the GEF Small Grants Programme in Kazakhstan (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 2,649,726) GEF ID 9205
16. **Kenya:** Sixth Operational Phase of the GEF Small Grants Programme in Kenya (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 3,561,644) GEF ID 9241
17. **Malaysia:** Sustainable Management of Peatland Ecosystems in Malaysia (SMPEM) (IFAD) (GEF Financing: \$ 9,433,027) GEF ID 9270
18. **Pakistan:** Pakistan Snow Leopard and Ecosystem Protection Program⁶ (Resubmission) (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 4,644,521) GEF ID 9231
19. **Peru:** Sustainable Industrial Zone Development in Peru (UNIDO) (GEF Financing: \$ 4,864,000) GEF ID 9206
20. **Seychelles:** Third South West Indian Ocean Fisheries Governance and Shared Growth Project (SWIOFish3) (World Bank) (GEF Financing: \$ 5,292,110) GEF ID 9250
21. **St. Lucia:** Integrated Ecosystem Management on the South East Coast of St Lucia (UNEP) (GEF Financing: \$ 4,428,145) GEF ID 9406
22. **Suriname:** Improving Environmental Management in the Mining Sector of Suriname, with Emphasis on Gold Mining (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 7,589,041) GEF ID 9288

⁵ Deferred from the April 2016 Intersessional Work Program

⁶ Deferred from the April 2016 Intersessional Work Program

23. **Timor Leste** : Securing the Long-term Conservation of Timor Leste Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services through the Establishment of a functioning National Protected Area Network and the Improvement of Natural Resource Management in Priority Catchment Corridor (CI) (GEF Financing : \$ 3,340,367) GEF ID 9434
24. **Uruguay**: Climate-smart Livestock Production and Land Restoration in the Uruguayan Rangelands (FAO) (GEF Financing: \$ 2,091,781) GEF ID 9153
25. **Vietnam** : Mainstreaming Natural Resource Management and Biodiversity Conservation objectives into socio-economic development planning and management of Biosphere Reserve in Viet Nam (UNDP) (GEF Financing : \$ 6,660,000) GEF ID 9361

Biodiversity

26. **Regional (Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and Grenadines)**: Preventing COSTS of Invasive Alien Species (IAS) in Barbados and the OECS Countries (UNEP) (GEF Financing: \$ 3,747,945) GEF ID 9408
27. **Antigua and Barbuda**: The Path to 2020. Antigua and Barbuda (UNEP) (GEF Financing: \$ 2,729,153) GEF ID 9402
28. **Mexico**: Securing the Future of Global Agriculture Facing the Threat of Climate Change, Conserving the Genetic Diversity of the Traditional Agroecosystems (FAO) (GEF Financing: \$ 5,329,452) GEF ID 9380
29. **Mexico**: Conservation and Sustainable Use of Biological Diversity in Priority Landscapes of Oaxaca and Chiapas (CI) (GEF Financing: \$ 7,219,450) GEF ID 9445

Climate Change

30. **Global (Afghanistan, Antigua And Barbuda, Central African Republic, Djibouti, Dominica, Eritrea, Fiji, Guinea, Haiti, Jamaica, Liberia, Myanmar, Malawi, Niger, Nauru, Suriname, Sao Tome and Principe, Chad, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda)** : Technology Needs Assessments-Phase III (UNEP) (GEF Financing : \$ 5,400,000) GEF ID 9452
31. **Global (Antigua And Barbuda, Burundi, Congo, Djibouti, Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Iraq, Kyrgyz Republic, Madagascar, Mauritania, Maldives, Nepal, Swaziland, Chad, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Congo DR, Zimbabwe)** : Umbrella Programme for Preparation of National Communications and Biennial Update Reports to the UNFCCC (UNEP) (GEF Financing : \$ 10,530,720) GEF ID 9442
32. **Bosnia-Herzegovina**: Catalyzing Environmental Finance for Low-Carbon Urban Development (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 2,370,000) GEF ID 9151

33. **Central African Republic:** Promotion of Small Hydropower Based Mini-Grids for a Better Access to Modern Energy Services in Central African Republic (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 2,645,000) GEF ID 9291
34. **Comoros:** Sustainable Development of Comoros Islands by Promoting the Geothermal Energy Sources (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 5,905,662) GEF ID 9040
35. **Jordan:** A Systemic Approach to Sustainable Urbanization and Resource Efficiency in Greater Amman Municipality (GAM) (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 2,640,000) GEF ID 9204
36. **Tajikistan:** Green Energy SMEs Development (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 2,519,963) GEF ID 9191
37. **Togo:** Project of Hybridization of Diesel Engines of Multifunctional Platforms with Solar Systems (BOAD) (GEF Financing: \$ 2,672,905⁷) GEF ID 9393
38. **Turkey:** Sustainable Use of Biomass to Assist the Development of Turkey's Economy Towards a Low-carbon Development Path (UNIDO) (GEF Financing: \$ 4,416,210) GEF ID 9218
39. **Turkmenistan:** Sustainable Cities: Integrated Green Urban Development in Ashgabat and Awaza (UNDP) (GEF Financing: \$ 6,060,046) GEF ID 9279

Land Degradation

40. **Regional (Egypt, Jordan):** Healthy Ecosystems for Rangeland Development (HERD): Sustainable Rangeland Management for Biodiversity Conservation and Climate Change Mitigation (UNEP) (GEF Financing: \$ 3,515,982) GEF ID 9407

Chemicals and Waste

41. **Georgia:** PCB-Free Electricity Distribution in Georgia (UNIDO) (GEF Financing: \$ 3,910,000) GEF ID 9227
42. **Paraguay:** Strengthening the Environmentally-sound Management and Disposal of PCBs in the Electricity Sector in Paraguay (UNIDO) (GEF Financing: \$ 3,953,250) GEF ID 9357

3. With respect to the following three projects, the 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 the project document for final approval by the GEF Agency.

⁷ Corrected GEF financing amount from the Cover Note

1. **Cameroon:** Integrated Sustainable Urban Development (SUDP) and Environmentally Sound Management of Municipal Solid Waste Project in Cameroon⁸ (Resubmission) (AfDB)
2. **Antigua And Barbuda:** The Path to 2020 - Antigua and Barbuda (UNEP)
3. **India:** Green-Ag: Transforming Indian Agriculture for Global Environmental Benefits and the Conservation of Critical Biodiversity and Forest Landscapes (FAO)
4. With respect to the following PFD, the Council requests that a revised version of this program proposal be presented for consideration at the October 2016 Council meeting:
 1. **Africa (Ghana, Kenya, Senegal, Tanzania, Zambia):** EHPMP - Environmental Health and Pollution Management Program in Africa (World Bank)
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. With respect to the PFDs approved as part of the Work Program, the final PFD document fully incorporating and addressing the Council's and STAP reviews shall be posted on the web for the Council's information.
8. The Council takes note of the GEF Trust Fund Financial Report and, in particular, the Trustee's estimate of the potential resource shortfall of the GEF-6 envelope that primarily reflects exchange rate movements. The Council notes the Secretariat's commitment to the ongoing prudential management of GEF Trust Fund resources, and requests that the Secretariat prepare an update on GEF-6 resource availability, which also reflects any funding released from the GEF Cancellation Policy, and propose other potential measures to support effective resource use during GEF-6 for Council consideration at its October 2016 meeting.
9. The detailed funding decisions taken by the Council during this 50th session of the work program is part of the associated Annex 1 appended to this Joint Summary of the Chairs.

⁸ Deferred from the April 2016 Intersessional Work Program

Highlights of the Council Decisions

Agenda Item 17 Work Program

1. The Council reemphasized the need for projects to value STAP reviews and the need to ensure that all comments and questions are addressed at time of CEO endorsement.
2. The Council encouraged the GEF Partnership to develop a common repository of lessons learned from completed projects, and to use these knowledge-based resources to better replicate and scale positive lessons.
3. The Council would like to see a more comprehensive view on GEF's role on INDCs and how these will guide the work in the area of climate change.
4. The Council welcomed the increased prominence of gender mainstreaming in the work program and hoped that this trend will continue in future work programs.