

**Excerpts from the Joint Summary of the Chairs & Highlights of the Council’s Decisions,
49th GEF Council Meeting October, 2015**

Joint Summary of the Chairs

Decision on Agenda Item 12 Work Program

1. The Council, having reviewed document GEF/C.49/05, *Work Program for GEF Trust Fund*, approved the work program comprising 17 project concepts (including a child project from a programmatic approach approved as part of GEF-5) and two programmatic approaches, subject to comments made during the Council meeting and additional comments that may be submitted in writing to the Secretariat by November 5, 2015.

2. Total resources approved in this work program¹ amounted to \$254.99 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 (Costa Rica, Kazakhstan, Sudan) : Leapfrogging Markets to High Efficiency Products (Appliances, including Lighting, and Electrical Equipment)(PROGRAM) (UNEP/UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$10,370,000) GEF ID 9083**
2. **Regional (Brazil, Colombia, Peru) : Amazon Sustainable Landscapes Program (World Bank/WWF-US, UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$113,684,455) GEF ID 9272**

Non-Grant Instrument Projects

3. **Regional (Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Belarus, Egypt, Georgia, Jordan, Morocco, Moldova, Montenegro, Macedonia, Tunisia, Turkey,**

¹ The United States, in light of its policies for certain development projects, abstains from participating in the Council decisions on the following projects: 1) China : Energy Efficiency Improvement in Public Sector Buildings (UNDP), 2) China : Integrated Adoption of New Energy Vehicles in China (UNIDO), and opposes and therefore does not join the Council decision that supports the project: 1) Global (Costa Rica, Kazakhstan, Sudan) : Leapfrogging Markets to High Efficiency Products (Appliances, including Lighting, and Electrical Equipment) (UNEP/UNDP).

Ukraine, Serbia : Green Logistics Program (non-grant) (EBRD) (GEF Project Grant : \$15,000,000) GEF ID 9047

4. **Regional (Latin America and Caribbean)** : Risk Mitigation Instrument for Land Restoration (Non-Grant) (IADB) (GEF Project Grant : \$15,000,000) GEF ID 9277

Multi Focal Area Project²

5. **Bhutan**: Enhancing Sustainability and Climate Resilience of Forest and Agricultural Landscape and Community Livelihoods (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,467,124) GEF ID 9199

Climate Change

6. **China** : Energy Efficiency Improvement in Public Sector Buildings (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$8,932,420) GEF ID 6930
7. **Brazil** : Biogas Applications for the Brazilian Agro-industry (UNIDO) (GEF Project Grant: \$7,000,000) GEF ID 9057
8. **Indonesia** : IBRD Geothermal Energy Upstream Development Project (World Bank) (GEF Project Grant : \$6,250,000) GEF ID 9115
9. **Kazakhstan** : De-risking Renewable Energy Investment In Kazakhstan (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$4,510,000) GEF ID 9192
10. **Uganda** : NAMA on Integrated Waste Management and Biogas in Uganda (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,170,030) GEF ID 9210
11. **Tuvalu** : Facilitation of the Achievement of Sustainable National Energy Targets of Tuvalu (FASNETT) (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,639,725) GEF ID 9220
12. **Mozambique** : Towards Sustainable Energy for All in Mozambique: Promoting Market- Based Dissemination of Integrated Renewable Energy Systems for Productive Activities in Rural Areas (UNIDO) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,851,384) GEF ID 9225
13. **China** : Integrated Adoption of New Energy Vehicles in China (UNIDO) (GEF Project Grant: \$8,930,000) GEF ID 9226
14. **Samoa** : Improving the Performance and Reliability of RE Power Systems in Samoa (IMPRESS) (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$6,075,828) GEF ID 9251
15. **India** : Creating and Sustaining Markets for Energy Efficiency (UNEP/ADB) (GEF Project Grant : \$18,855,963) GEF ID 9258

² This is a Multi-Trust Fund project. Presented in his work program is the GEF TRUST FUND financial component. The LDCF financial component is presented separately in the LDCF/SCCF work program.

16. **Papua New Guinea** : Facilitating Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency Applications for Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction (FREAGER) (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,840,640) GEF ID 9273
17. **Tanzania** : Promotion of Bio-Ethanol as Alternative Clean Fuel for Cooking in the United Republic of Tanzania (UNIDO) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,457,078) GEF ID 9281
18. **Liberia** : Increasing Energy Access through the Promotion of Energy Efficient Appliances in Liberia (AfDB) (GEF Project Grant : \$2,639,726) GEF ID 9292

Child Project Approved under the GEF-5 Programmatic Approach

19. **Marshall Islands**: R2R Reimaanlok – Looking into the future: Strengthening Natural Resource Management in Atoll communities in the Republic of Marshall Islands Employing Integrated Approaches (UNDP) (GEF Project Grant : \$3,927,981) GEF ID 5544 under the *R2R Pacific Islands Ridge-to-Reef National Priorities – Integrated Water, Land, Forest and Coastal Management to Preserve Biodiversity, Ecosystem Services, Store Carbon, Improve Climate Resilience and Sustain Livelihoods*
3. With respect to the following two programmatic approaches, the Council requested the Secretariat to circulate all Child Projects to Council members for review and comment at least four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.
 - (a) **Global (Costa Rica, Kazakhstan, Sudan)** : Leapfrogging Markets to High Efficiency Products (Appliances, including Lighting, and Electrical Equipment)(PROGRAM) (UNEP/UNDP)
 - (b) **Regional Brazil, Colombia, Peru**) : Amazon Sustainable Landscapes Program (World Bank/WWF-US, UNDP)
 4. With respect to the following four projects, the Council requested the Secretariat to circulate for Council members for review and comment the final draft documents, at least four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.
 - (a) **Regional (Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Belarus, Egypt, Georgia, Jordan, Morocco, Moldova, Montenegro, Macedonia, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, Serbia)** : Green Logistics Program (non-grant) (EBRD)
 - (b) **Regional (Latin America and Caribbean)** : Risk Mitigation Instrument for Land Restoration (Non-Grant) (IADB)
 - (c) **Indonesia** : IBRD Geothermal Energy Upstream Development Project (World Bank)
 - (d) **Liberia** : Increasing Energy Access through the Promotion of Energy Efficient Appliances in Liberia (AfDB)

5. With respect to any other 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 49th 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. The Council welcomed the Work Program and noted the high demand for climate change mitigation projects in anticipation of UNFCCC COP21.

2. Regarding the Non-Grant Instrument (NGI), the Council was pleased that these projects are gaining traction and that there are more proposals being reviewed. Some Council members noted that NGIs should not only be offered to the private sector, but should also be available for the public sector.

3. On the Amazon Sustainable Landscapes Program, the Council emphasized the importance of conducting consultations with local communities, including local CSO representatives and Indigenous Peoples' representatives. Some Council Members noted that this program should keep the door open for other countries who may want to join the program. The program may want to address issues of coordination and how lessons learned from other projects implemented in the area are taken into account. Some Council members noted that there should be a balance over time between Programmatic Approaches and single country projects.