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for the Least Developed Countries Fund and
the Special Climate Change Fund
Submitted for LDCF/SCCF Council Approval

Executive Summary

The work program presented by the Secretariat for LDCF/SCCF Council review and approval is a joint work program presenting two multi-trust fund initiatives that draw resources from the SCCF Adaptation Program (SCCF-A) and the LDCF respectively.

The total SCCF-A resources requested through this work program amount to \$1.601 million, which includes \$1.462 million in project grants and \$0.139 million in Agency fees. The total LDCF resources requested through this work program amount to \$13.080 million, which includes \$12.000 million in project grants and \$1.080 million in Agency fees. Total co-financing amounts to \$54.035 million. Each dollar of SCCF/LDCF project grant is thus matched by \$4.01 in co-financing.

This work program does not represent the full volume of LDCF proposals that have been submitted and cleared since November 2012, but rather only the proposals that request resources under multiple trust funds. LDCF projects are normally submitted on a rolling basis and posted online for review and approval by the LDCF/SCCF Council on a no-objection basis.

The two full-sized projects contained in this work program are (i) *Ecuador: Promotion of Climate-smart Livestock Management Integrating Reversion of Land Degradation and Reduction of Desertification Risks in Vulnerable Provinces*; and (ii) *Regional (Guinea, Mali, Mauritania and Senegal): Senegal River Basin Climate Change Adaptation Project*.

The two projects contained in this work program represent innovative efforts to harness the synergies between climate change adaptation and other GEF focal areas, with considerable potential for replication and scaling up.

Currently the number of approved projects and programs under the SCCF-A is 46 totaling \$190.788 million while 6 FSPs totaling \$26.638 million have been approved under the SCCF Program for Technology Transfer (SCCF-B). The number of approved projects and programs under the LDCF is 99 totaling \$458.336 million. The present work program requests for 15.94 per cent of available SCCF resources, which amounted to \$10.086 million as of February 28, 2013. Additional projects are under review for inclusion in the next SCCF work program and the demand for SCCF resources continues to greatly exceed current supply. A significant increase in donor contributions is therefore urgently needed.

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Where to send technical comments:

It is requested that Council Members send their technical comments electronically (in Word file) to the GEF Secretariat's program coordination registry at: gcoordination@TheGEF.org

Main Features of the Proposed Work Program

1. The work program presented by the Secretariat for LDCF/SCCF Council review and approval is a joint work program presenting two multi-trust fund initiatives that draw resources from the SCCF Adaptation Program (SCCF-A)¹ and the LDCF respectively.

Composition of the LDCF/SCCF Work Program

2. The proposed work program under SCCF-A and the LDCF consists of two FSP proposals, documented in Project Identification Forms (PIFs) and requesting SCCF project grants totaling \$1.462 million and LDCF project grants totaling \$12.000 million (see Annex A for financial details of these proposals). Associated with these proposals are requests for fees totaling \$0.139 million and \$1.080 million for the GEF Agencies to meet project cycle management costs, resulting in a total request of \$1.601 million from SCCF-A and \$13.080 million from the LDCF.

3. This work program does not represent the full volume of LDCF proposals that have been submitted and cleared since November 2012, but rather only the proposals that request resources under multiple trust funds. LDCF projects are normally submitted on a rolling basis and posted online for review and approval by the LDCF/SCCF Council on a no-objection basis.

4. Table 1 shows the projects and the amounts of resources requested from SCCF-A and the LDCF.

¹ In accordance with guidance from the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the SCCF finances activities related to climate change that are complementary to those funded by the GEF in the following areas: (a) adaptation to climate change; (b) technology transfer; (c) energy, transport, industry, agriculture, forestry and waste management; and (d) economic diversification. At COP 9 Parties decided that adaptation activities to address the adverse impacts of climate change shall have top priority for funding and that technology transfer and its associated capacity building activities shall also be essential areas for funding.

Table 1: SCCF-A and LDCF resources requested in the April 2013 Work Program (\$m)

Project	Project Grant	Agency Fee	Total SCCF/LDCF Resources Requested in this WP	Indicative co-financing
Multi-Trust Fund (MTF) projects requesting resources from SCCF-A				
<i>Ecuador: Promotion of Climate-smart Livestock Management Integrating Reversion of Land Degradation and Reduction of Desertification Risks in Vulnerable Provinces (FAO)</i>	1.462	0.139	1.601	4.435
Multi-Trust Fund (MTF) projects requesting resources from the LDCF				
<i>Regional (Guinea, Mali, Mauritania and Senegal): Senegal River Basin Climate Change Adaptation Project (World Bank)</i>	12.000	1.080	13.080	49.600
Total for 2 projects	13.462	1.219	14.681	54.035

Co-financing

5. Co-financing associated with this joint work program amounts to \$54.035 million (see Table 2). Each dollar of SCCF-A and LDCF grant is matched by \$4.01 in co-financing.

Table 2: Indicative co-financing in the April 2013 Work Program (\$m)

Total project grant	13.462
Total co-financing	54.035
Co-financing ratio	1:4.01

Climate Change Adaptation Strategies and the Work Program

6. This work program addresses all three LDCF/SCCF adaptation objectives set forth in the GEF-5 Programming Document. These objectives are the subject of monitoring and reporting in accordance with the results-based management (RBM) policy as projects progress through their implementation phases. These objectives are to (i) reduce vulnerability to the adverse impacts of climate change, including variability, at local, national, regional and global levels; (ii) increase adaptive capacity to respond to the impacts of climate change, including variability, at local, national, regional and global levels; and (iii) promote the transfer and adoption of adaptation technology.

Innovative Elements and Potential for Replication

7. The two projects contained in this work program represent innovative efforts to harness the synergies between climate change adaptation and other GEF focal areas, with considerable

potential for replication and scaling up.

8. The World Bank's regional project in the Senegal River Basin is the first regional initiative financed under the LDCF, and the first to capture the synergies and complementarities between climate change adaptation and trans-boundary water resources management. Drawing on GEF's past experience of facilitating the governance of the Senegal River Basin, and building on a substantial baseline investment and co-financing, the project is well placed to generate significant and lasting global environmental and adaptation benefits in one of the most vulnerable trans-boundary river basins in the world. While coordinated at the regional level, the project addresses urgent adaptation needs in all four riparian countries (Guinea, Mali, Mauritania and Senegal), consistently with their National Adaptation Programmes of Action (NAPA), particularly as these relate to climate-resilient water resources management, hydrological monitoring and institutional capacity building.

9. In Ecuador, the project contained in this work program seeks multiple benefits for sustainable land management, climate change mitigation and climate change adaptation in the livestock sector. The SCCF grant contributes towards the development of climate-smart livestock management and its integration across existing land-use and development plans; as well as the transfer of relevant adaptation technologies and practices, particularly drought or flood-tolerant grass species, rotational grassland management systems, and efficient use of rainwater. These pilot investments are well placed to catalyze significant, additional resources and replication thanks to close linkages with new and existing micro-finance services in the targeted areas.

Summary of Projects in the Proposed LDCF/SCCF Work Program

10. Ecuador: *Promotion of Climate-smart Livestock Management Integrating Reversion of Land Degradation and Reduction of Desertification Risks in Vulnerable Provinces* (FAO) (SCCF Project Grant: \$1.462 million). The proposed project seeks to reduce land degradation, enhance adaptive capacities to climate change, and to reduce GHG emissions through policy development and pilot investments in climate-smart livestock management in vulnerable provinces. The project builds on several projects and programs associated with the implementation of Ecuador's Sustainable Livestock National Plan, with total indicative co-financing amounting to \$4.435 million.

11. Regional (Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Senegal): *Senegal River Basin Climate Change Adaptation Project* (World Bank) (LDCF Project Grant: \$12.000 million). The proposed project seeks to promote the sustainable and climate-resilient management of water resources in the Senegal River Basin (SRB), through targeted investments in climate change adaptation and priority measures identified in the Strategic Action Plan. The LDCF and GEFTF grants would be fully integrated into the second phase of the IDA-financed Senegal River Basin Multi-Purpose Water Resources Development Project, which has an overall envelope of \$110 million, \$ 49.6 million of which represent direct co-financing towards the proposed project.

PROJECT PROPOSALS SUBMITTED FOR LDCF/SCCF COUNCIL APPROVAL

Under the SCCF Trust Fund

April 2013

All amounts shown in US\$.

#	GEF ID	Country	Agency	Project Title	PPG Amt	PPG Fees	SCCF Project Grant	Project Agency Fees	SCCF Project	Cofin.	Total Project Cost
<u>Multi Trust Funds</u>											
1	4775	Ecuador	FAO	Promotion of Climate-smart Livestock Management Integrating Reversion of Land Degradation and Reduction of Desertification Risks in Vulnerable Provinces	37,917	3,602	1,462,083	138,898	1,500,000	4,435,329	5,935,329
Sub total for Multi Trust Funds					37,917	3,602	1,462,083	138,898	1,500,000	4,435,329	5,935,329
<u>Grand Total</u>					37,917	3,602	1,462,083	138,898	1,500,000	4,435,329	5,935,329

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<u>Multi Trust Fund</u>											
I	5133	Regional (Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Senegal)	World Bank	Senegal River Basin Climate Change Resilience Development Project	0		12,000,000	1,080,000	12,000,000	49,600,000	61,600,000
Sub total for Multi Trust Fund					0		12,000,000	1,080,000	12,000,000	49,600,000	61,600,000
<u>Grand Total</u>					0		12,000,000	1,080,000	12,000,000	49,600,000	61,600,000

MULTI-TRUST FUND PROJECT SUBMITTED FOR LDCF/SCCF COUNCIL APPROVAL

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1	5133	Regional (Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Senegal)	World Bank	Senegal River Basin Climate Change Resilience Development Project	GET			4,000,000	360,000	4,000,000	19,000,000	23,000,000
					LDCF			12,000,000	1,080,000	12,000,000	49,600,000	61,600,000
					Sub Total			16,000,000	1,440,000	16,000,000	68,600,000	84,600,000
2	4775	Ecuador	FAO	Promotion of Climate-smart Livestock Management Integrating Reversion of Land Degradation and Reduction of Desertification Risks in Vulnerable Provinces	GET	62,083	5,898	2,393,977	227,428	2,456,060	8,291,391	10,747,451
					SCCF	37,917	3,602	1,462,083	138,898	1,500,000	4,435,329	5,935,329
					Sub Total	100,000	9,500	3,856,060	366,326	3,956,060	12,726,720	16,682,780
					Grand Total	100,000	9,500	19,856,060	1,806,326	19,956,060	81,326,720	101,282,780

All amounts shown in US\$.

#	GEF ID	Country	Agency	Project Title	Trust Fund	PPG Amt	PPG Fees P	GEF Project Grant	Project Agency Fees	GEF Grant	Cofin.	Total Project Cost
3	5264	Gabon	World Bank	Sustainable Management of Critical Wetlands Ecosystems	GET	150,000	14,250	7,521,000	714,495	7,671,000	27,746,656	35,417,656
					NPIF	50,000	4,750	950,000	90,250	1,000,000	3,416,344	4,416,344
					Sub Total	200,000	19,000	8,471,000	804,745	8,671,000	31,163,000	39,834,000
				<u>Grand Total</u>		300,000	28,500	28,327,060	2,611,071	28,627,060	112,489,720	141,116,780